

9/23/87 Championship Meet Committee Meeting - called to order at 7:15 pm

Mel Goldstein led the meeting.

VOTE: 9 in favor; 2 abstentions for Closed Session.

PRESENT: Stephanie Walsh, Edie Gruender, Hill Carrow, Diane Letendre, Sandy Rousseau, Tina Martin, June Krauser, Nancy Miller, Lynn Weir, Bill Barthold, Mel Goldstein.

NOT PRESENT: Manny Sanguilly, Tom Boak, Karen Barnes (resigned), Judy Meyer.

I... Rules Discussion

A. MSR 16

- 1. Bill Barthold - only change is that USMS will absorb both pre-meet and during-meet visit of meet committee.
  - a. it was proposed at Stanford - an informal meeting of committee there was unanimous in favor
  - b. general discussion - should be a USMS obligation

B. MSR 17

- 1. Bill; changes fee to be held by USMS but at same time increases money paid back by USMS to Meet Organizing Committee (MOC).
  - a. discussion - will be "same difference" to MOC if do good job - also gives more financial leverage to insure things are done correctly
- 2. Also changes time of evaluation of compliance from 60 to 70 days
  - a. justification - 'cause meet report not due till 60 days; can't evaluate compliance based on report due same day as compliance evaluation if left at 60 days
  - b. discussion - concern as to whether evaluation committee provided for and people know who will be on it
    - 1) provided for in MSR 18
  - c. other discussion - is 10 days difference enough?; also concern as to whether USMS is being timely in returning funds.
  - d. amended MSR 17 to read 75 instead of 70 days - vote was unanimous

C. MSR 18

- 1. Should read "meet evaluation sub-committee".
- 2. Proposal should read: "A 5-member Meet Evaluation Subcommittee shall be composed of the USMS Records & Tabulation Chair, if present, plus Championship Committee members present who are not serving on the Protest Committee. If the above design composition does not have five (5) members, then elected USMS officers present at the meet may be asked to serve."

D. MSR 19

- 1. Met with general approval as written.

E. MSR 20

- 1. AMEND - add VH(5)(b)(i): "All courses must have electronic read-out boards. For at least one course, the electronic read-out board must have the capability to display times for all lanes simultaneously.
- 2. Renumber rest of VH(5)(b) appropriately (ii), (iii), etc.

F. MSR 21

- 1. AMEND - "five" months in advance.

- G. MSR 22  
1. Met with general approval as written
- H. MSR 23  
1. Delete "slowest to fastest" and insert "individual" after "deck seeded".
- I. MSR 24  
1. Met with general approval as written
- J. MSR 25  
1. Rewrite as follows: A swimmer's affiliation as stated on the entry form shall apply throughout the meet, except a swimmer may un-attach at any time.
- K. MSR 26  
1. Approved as written
- L. MSR 27  
1. Approved as written
- M. MSR 28 - REJECTED
- N. MSR 29 - ~~REJECTED~~ determined to move to Long Range Planning for addressing
- O. MSR 30 - put period (.) after "third day program" in line 2 and delete remainder.
- P. MSR 31 - REJECTED
- Q. MSR 32 - Withdrawn
- R. MSR 33 - Rejected by rules committee
- S. MSR 34 - Met with general approval as written
- T. MSR 35 - rule tabled to see how it pans out in actual meet
- U. MSR 36 - Accepted as written
- V. New Rule for Rules Committee - within team scoring, change Division I and Division II as set forth on page 163 of Rule Book to read "16" and "32" instead of "15" and "30" for relay purposes. <sup>H, (5) (9)</sup>
- II. ~~Handed~~ out copy of contract
- III. Bill discussed that all bids for 1989 National Championships were timely. LSU's bid is timely under the rules 'cause turned in before convention, which is allowed since no bid for long course from West Zone.
- IV. Last portion of meeting Friday afternoon will be closed to discuss bid technicalities.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm.

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9/25/87 - Called to order by Bill Barthold and Mel Goldstein

9:10 am Present: Diane Letendre, Edie Gruender, Stephanie Walsh, Nancy Miller, Kathrine J. Casey, Bill Barthold, Mel Goldstein, Sandi Rousseau

Reminder that last portion of afternoon meeting discussing bid recommendations is to be closed.

Discussion of Bid Information Packet:

Is it sufficient information for bidders?

Steph: should a Meet Manager's Guide be included in the packet?

Discussion.

Diane Letendre - request in Bid Information requesting additional information

Carolyn Ferris Johnson: sheet listing officials' requirements - "Personnel Requirements"

Bid pages to be updated and redone

Meet Manager's Guide

additions:

Tina - former meet directors and venues reports from past championships

Meet timetable - excellent

Sandi Rousseau and Manny Sanguilly from Medical Meeting: "Guidelines for Safety in Warm-Ups"

Discussion on wording - Sandi to give to Mel for inclusion in guide; lanes to be marked with "fast", "medium", "slow"

Warm-up guidelines to be included in packet to competitors. Idea is to start at local level - word out to LMSC's that no one should dive in during warm up.

Any little changes to be sent to Mel.

Budgets - put in last three meets so to show the many differences.

Diane Letendre - Medals and Patches

Patches - discussion of Stanford vs newer patches - only change is to make the border RED

Medals - problems also; quality not good for Stanford; now, starting with Austin, better quality medals.

Carolyn asked why we have to use the standardized medal. Discussion of medal tabled to new business.

COST: Kastaway

1 3/4" (1-2-3) \$ 1.90 each

1 1/2" (4-5-6) 1.45 each (and relay 1-2-3)

pins .99 each

Team Awards

Carolyn recommended that there be three team awards in each category (6). Bill: limit now allows \$300; should be raised so that each meet manager can be distinctive and choose. 6 categories.

Sandi Rousseau - USMS will pay for team awards up to \$300.

Motion for rule change:

V.H(5)q p. 163 suggested limit of \$600 - for: unanimous

Proposal for Rule Change from Championship Committee:  
p. 163

H (5) q. Team Scoring -- (first sentence the same). USMS will provide team awards to ~~the winners of the categories~~ first, second, and third place winners of the categories scored above in two divisions, based upon the number of swimmers entered in the meet from each club.

Rationale: It's nice.

Computer Service: Digicom

Used at the Woodlands with everything on a timely basis. All results sent to Top Ten Committee within a week on disk.

- a few programming problems, but these will be corrected
- Carolyn - 30 days would never have been enough with her large meet.

1989 - could have confirmation of events and coach's list for whole team.

- Buffalo will use
- Austin is not planning to use.

Relays - check sum of ages.

Carolyn - need more people and more equipment than provided at the Woodlands, especially for short course meet.

#### CONTRACT

All the nitty-gritty work done by Kathy Casey and Sandi Rousseau, with input from all committee members.

Our discussion today is to come up with FINAL VERSION, which would go into effect with the 1989 national championships.

Some discussion of Austin contract, which differs in presented version due to rule changes NOT YET IN EFFECT. Buffalo may sign the contract if it chooses too, but does not have to.

*Nancy: from Registration Committee*

Discussion: Registrar's job description should include <sup>supplying a list</sup> ~~checking~~ of all registered swimmers ~~who have entered the meet during the 30 days prior to the championship and at pertinent information to the meet director at no charges~~

Lengthy discussion on all aspects of the contract.

RE: Contract

Unanimous: We agree that this form of contract with appropriate rule changes is an acceptable document at this time.

Meeting adjourned.

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Called to order by Bill Barthold.

Present: Diane Letendre, Edie Gruender, Stephanie Walsh, Nancy Miller, Kathrine Casey, Bill Barthold, Mel Goldstein, Sandi Rousseau

New Business:

Steph: Discussion of relays at length - trying to cut our extra steps.

1. entry by mail or by the day-before-meet
2. pick-up for declaration
3. declaration
4. turn-in
5. pick-up for taking to blocks

Coaches Committee Recommendations:

Instead of alternating male/female in different courses, alternate 25-49 and 50 and over. Ratio is 3:2 Men:Women. We are against this, due to the spirit of Masters.

Time Standards - 80th place in each event, each sex. We do not feel this is appropriate to discuss at this time.

Long Range Planning for Championship Committee (items listed in order of importance)

1. Championship Meet Limitations - length of meet  
Time Standards  
5-day Program  
19-24 year olds in National Championships (to be added in 1990)  
Weather Problems
2. Where Championship Committee stands in relation to USMS (status)
  - operation
  - should be its own SECTION (and rulebook)
3. Officials
4. Solicitation of National Championship Sites (quality)
5. Our role in International Competition

Other items:

Short Course Meters Nationals  
Championship Meet Format  
Computerization (being worked on)

- registration
- top 10/20 tabulation

Calendar - Coordination  
Timely Posting of Results  
Stricter Enforcement of Rules  
Awards

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Coaches' Committee Recommendations to our Committee:

Masters coach representing their committee (Ad-Hoc Coaches Committee) on Protest Committee at Nationals.

Discussion regarding make-up of protest committee: for support on the floor (4 for, 2 opposed to support it in spirit).

Motion: (Sandi Rousseau) Not propose rule change at this time but we will review it for next year. 5 - For; 1 - opposed.

Tom Boak re: International Committee and our role.

Our charge is to run National Championship. International Committee should deal with International Championships, whether in U.S. or outside of U.S. The evaluation is done by FINA, not by us.

Goal of Administration: broaden committee base; need new look; reduction on number of committees that people serve on; DECENTRALIZATION.

Length of Meet

Limit number of events per person

Lengthen days of meet (International - 6 days)

Limit number of local entrants by rating order of preference of events

Time standards

Split meet geographically

First come - First serve basis

Lottery

Voluntary - Todd Spieker's idea of encouraging people not to enter events that are most impacted - just pick a few events

Time standards for younger age groups only, and gradually move up the age groups.

Many people are against the idea of time standards to keep a person out of nationals.

Tina - 4-day format } have both  
5-day format }  
Meet format - modules for different events

Study all of these ideas during the winter and spring.

Officials

Tina - Who is on the deck?

Meet Director MUST be a certified official so we go by the rules as we should and is experienced with Masters.

An officials guide, especially for using 2 ends of the pool.

Head of Officials - ask on bid

Chief Referee - ask on bid

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Status of Championship Committee

Should rules/regulations have to go through Rules Committee all the time?  
Separate SECTION? (similar to Long Distance)  
To streamline  
When --) our own rulebook - to be included with Meet Manager's book.

Project in next year - to draw up ideas and a plan to become our own SECTION.

Miscellaneous

Mel reported on meeting re: Ad Hoc Committee

Registration

Top 10

Meet Management

} Coordination of 3-way  
computerized interfacing

Specifications are fantastic. Committee wants this on line in next year.  
Bidding to begin immediately.

Presently there is interface between Meet Results and Top 10. There are a few problems - these are being dealt with.

~~Marky Casey letter received regarding sponsorships and related parties  
etc. We need to be aware of the example we give, especially to young people~~

Solicitation of Quality Facilities

We need to be aware of good facilities and ask people to bid. Competition breeds excellence.

Bids (closed)

Short Course - 1989

Long Course - 1989

Mission Bay recommended

No clear recommendation

Meeting adjourned.

Attendance  
Championship Committee  
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~~These  
to be typed~~

NAME

LMSC

	NAME		LMSC
<del>ASSC 73</del>	LARRY WOOD		SOUTHWESTERN
<del>ASSC 74</del>	Betsy Durant		Virginia
	Gloria Britton		OHIO
	Peggy Buchanan		Calo.
	Catie Cooper		Florida
	Craig Taylor		NEM
	Tom Spear		Mich
	Adrienne Pipes		San Diego/Imperial
	Bob Merrick		So. Pacific
	Carolyn Ferris-John		Pacific
	Hattie Murray		So. Texas
CHAMP	Diane Letendre	+ gm Lynn + Weir	OZARK
CHAMP	June Krause	+ gm Lynn + Weir	FGC
CHAMP	Edie Gruender	+ gm Lynn + Weir	Ariz
CHAMP	Steph Walsh	+ gm Lynn + Weir	Mid-Atl.
CHAMP	Nancy Miller	+ gm Lynn + Weir	Virginia
CHAMP	Kathleen J. Casey	+ gm Lynn + Weir	Pacific N.W.
CHAIRMAN	Bill Baethold	+ gm Lynn + Weir	PACIFIC
CHAIRMAN	MEL GOLDSTEIN	+ gm Lynn + Weir	Indiana
champion	Tina Martin	+ gm Lynn + Weir	So. Pacific
champion	Sandi Pousseau	+ gm Lynn + Weir	Oregon
	Ken & Bev		Pacific
champion	Willy Meyer	+ gm Lynn + Weir	Florida Gold Coast
champion	Moni Sanguilly	+ gm Lynn + Weir	Conn
	David Diehl		Potomac Valley
	Nancy Brown		Md.
	Walt Rein		PMT
	Joann Leitch		Potomac Valley
	Lola McDonnell	Neogian	
	Gindy Ayers		Gulf
	Laura LeBreau		Southern OVER

Todd Samland  
Cynthia Jones  
Ham Anderson

Midwestern  
Central  
Gulf

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