

USMS Convention—Atlanta, Ga. 2008

Committee Name:	OFFICIALS	Session #:	1	Report #:	16
Committee Chair:	Charlie Cockrell	Vice Chair:	Ed Saltzman		
Minutes recorded by:	Jan Kavadas	Date/time of meeting:	9/26/08 11:20am		

Action Items: Proposed Expenditures

1. MSA to add to budget request \$3600 (\$1800 for each National Championship Meet) to assist the meet host to use to obtain additional officials as needed.
2. MSA to provide to each LMSC officials chair: one USMS Rule Book, one USA-S Stroke and Turn Video, and a CD of a presentation video, which would include USMS specific stroke rule differences as a training resource.

Action Items:

1. **MSA to adopt the LMSC Minimum Officiating Standards**
2. **MSA to adopt the revised USMS Certification Standards**
3. **Work with USA-Swimming to adjust the officials tests, to best serve USMS officials.**

Number of committee members present: 11	Absent: 1	Number of other delegates present: 23
Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair): Charles Cockrell, Ed Saltzman, Pat Baker, David Diehl, Judy Gillies, F.H. Ted Haartz, Jan Kavadas, Paula Smith, Charlie Kohnken, Mike Lemke, Fred Pigott,		

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 11:20,

1. MSA to add to budget request \$3600 (\$1800 for each National Championship Meet) to assist the meet host to use to obtain additional officials as needed.
2. Jan Kavadas gave her Officials Liaison report from the 2008 L.C. National Championship Meet. MSA to accept the report.
3. Discussed standardizing the process for an officials qualifying meet application for N2/N3 certification, and posting to the USA-S & USMS web sites in a timely manner.
3. Adopted LMSC Minimum Officiating standards to represent best practices and standards for measuring LMSC progress in developing the local USMS officials.
4. Discussed the revised USMS certification standards. MSA to amend the standard under the full certification section for stroke and turn judge, starter, and referee to deleted “non-championship” and replaced with “LMSC” in each of these sections. MSA to adopt the revised certification standards as amended.
5. Discussion of the requirement to take the USA-S Officials Tests, which require the use of a USA-S Rule book for reference, and will need to work with USA-Swimming to determine how best to make it relevant the USMS Rule Book.
6. Discussion of Rule Proposals:
 - R30/R31 either one of these could have an effect on Administrative Officials.
 - The committee recommends withdrawal of R54.
7. The committee noted that there is not longer a FINA Officials list for masters. Our committee would like nominate officials to attend the FINA Masters World Championships. There will be ongoing discussion of this process with the FINA Masters Liaison Nancy Ridout.
8. Charlie Cockrell summarized the annual LMSC’s Reports.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:21