

RULES COMMITTEE MINUTES

Email and Teleconference Meeting

November 15 – 20, 2011

Session 1, email meeting:

The meeting was called to order via email by Chair Kathy Casey on November 15, 2011.

Members participating were: Carolyn Boak, Leianne Crittenden, Charlie Cockrell, Sally Dillon, Barry Fasbender, Marilyn Fink, Judy Gillies, Brian Hoyt, Matt Hooper, Robert Mitchell, Kelly Sharitt, Ginny Trimble, and Kris Wingenroth; Ex officio: Sue Ehringer, Michael Heather,

Invited guests participating: Sandi Rousseau for the Championship Committee

Absent: Laura Groselle, Jessica Seaton, and Steve Unruh

1. The USMS Championship Committee has requested a suspension of part of rule 104.5.4B(2) regarding only the publication of the 2012 long course nationals information.

It was moved by Kris Wingenroth and seconded by Brian Hoyt to advise and give consent to the USMS Board of Directors to suspend part of rule 104.5.4B(2) to allow the long course nationals entry form for individual events and all meet information for the meet in Omaha July 5-8, 2012, to be published in the March-April 2012 issue of SWIMMER magazine instead of the May-June 2012 issue.

(Note that articles in Part 1 can only be suspended between meetings of the House of Delegates by the USMS Board of Directors with the advice and consent of the Rules Committee and legal counsel [506.3.9]).

Committee members noted it is obvious that this is necessary due to fact the meet is over a month early due to a previous suspension of 104.1.2 by the House of Delegates to accommodate the earlier-than-normal dates of this particular meet. Members also suggested that the rule for timelines of publication of nationals information be dealt with during the next rules year in the language of the rule and/or in Championship Committee guidelines or policies.

Session 2, teleconference:

Session 2, a teleconference, was called to order by Chair Kathy Casey on November 20, 2011, at 5:00 pm PST, for final discussion and vote.

Members present: Carolyn Boak, Leianne Crittenden, Sally Dillon, Barry Fasbender, Marilyn Fink, Laura Groselle, Brian Hoyt, Matt Hooper, Robert Mitchell, Jessica Seaton, Ginny Trimble, and Steve Unruh; Ex officio: Michael Heather

Invited guests present: Sandi Rousseau for the Championship Committee

Absent: Charlie Cockrell, Judy Gillies, Kelly Sharitt, and Kris Wingenroth

1. **MSA:** The Rules Committee approved giving its advice and consent to the USMS Board of Directors to suspend part of article 104.5.4B(2) to allow the long course nationals entry form for individual events and all meet information for the meet in Omaha July 5-8, 2012, to be published in the March-April 2012 issue of SWIMMER magazine instead of the May-June 2012 issue.

2. Adjournment: **MSA:** moved by Barry Fasbender, seconded by Sally Dillon, and approved 5:07 pm PST.

Submitted by Kathy Casey, Chair
USMS Rules Committee