UNITED STATES MASTERS SWIMMING - CHAMPIONSHIP COMMITTEE MINUTES

September 21, 1995 (1:45 - 3:30 pm)

Committee Members Present:

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Gene Donner Paul Windrath Bonnie Adair
Bill Black Keith Bell Bill Mulliken
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DISCUSSION OF BIDS FOR '97 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

- 1) No timely in-zone bids were received for SC nor LC National Championships. Now, Orlando has bid for Long Course and Federal Way has bid for Short Course. Orlando is in zone. Federal Way is NOT in zone.
- 2) Discussion of Orlando's Bid for Long Course:

Computer system will probably be Hy-Tek.

"Shuttle" will be free. There is a municipal bus system that runs by many of the hotels. The others are within 4 minutes walk of the pool. The buses run every 5 minutes from 6 am. Some discussion about the need for the buses to get to pool by 6:00 am vs beginning to run at 6:00 am. Nothing finalized.

Dates: Aug 15-18, 1997 (Th-Su), Aug 16-19, 1997 (F-M)

Equipment problems: 1) Timing system needs upgrading, 2) Deck was flooded, 3) PA system was not working well. Deck flooding was result of hurricane. Timing system will be upgraded. No seating on deck for lawn chairs. Crowd control will be handled by deck marshals.

Climate control is through fans and retractable roof. There is no air conditioning though. If lightning is really severe, the meet will be stopped.

Orlando is willing, if necessary, to run the meet from both ends of the pool. There was some discussion of running 2 per lane as well as utilizing "chase racing."

Profits will be split between YMCA and Masters Swimming.

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3) Discussion of the Federal Way Bid:

Timing system will be expanded to display to both courses when competitors finish.

Dates: May 15-18, 16-19, or May 8-11, 9-12.

Concerns about water clarity and temperature were brought up.

Elevators will be available to the swimmers

SHOULD ENTRY PROCESSING FOR USMS NAT'LS BE CENTRALIZED?

After considerable discussion about pros and cons, motion was made to have subcommittee establish policy and guidelines for Meet Host if they wanted to have someone else do the entry processing. Motion seconded and approved. Subcommittee members were not selected. Timetable to complete by Orlando so it could be offerred to '98 bidders and, perhaps '97 bidders.

TIME LINES AT NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS:

Some discussion without delegates present, so it was minimal. Committee agreed that time lines are needed and should be as accurate as possible, but not guaranteed.