

Committee Name:	Executive Committee	Session #:	Report #:
Committee Chair:	Nadine Day	Vice Chair:	n/a
Minutes recorded by:	C.J. Rushman	Date/time of meeting:	1/07/13 at 8:30 pm

Motions Passed:

1. None

Number of committee members present: 8	Absent: 2	Number of other delegates present: 0
Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair): President Nadine Day, C.J. Rushman - Secretary, Michael Heather-VP of Administration, Ed Tsuzuki - VP of Local Operations, David Diehl-VP of Programs, Ralph Davis – Treasurer, Jody Smith-VP of Community Service, Patty Miller – Legal Counsel.		
Absent: Jeff Moxie -Immediate Past President and Executive Director - Rob Butcher.		

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 8:31 PM EDT.

- 1) The Executive Committee discussed the 2013 preliminary convention schedule. The focus for the 2013 convention will be safety and education. The preliminary schedule will be sent to committee chairs to solicit feedback regarding meeting allotment time. Ed asked should our focus and approach this convention about more about delegate education interaction? There was a lot of positive feedback on the LMSC workshops and networking more. Mike said we are trying to do too much, condensing many meetings into a short amount of time and repeating some seminars. Ralph said committees should look at consolidating multiple meetings times. Dave said some committees are reliant on each other to accomplish tasks. The committees should be working throughout the year and there is value in the face to face interaction, however only 30% of the HOD is on committees. Patty said we should look at paring down some of our HOD or Open Forum time to gain some efficiency. We will continue to work on a schedule that will meet these needs discussed tonight.
- 2) Nadine gave an update that the 2013 Rule Book has been posted to USMS site.
- 3) Nadine will follow up with the Anna Lea at the National Office regarding the status of the latest grievance filing.
- 4) Nadine gave an update regarding task force Sanction Opening Water. Long Distance Committee, Open Water Committee, Finance Committee and Legislation Committee are involved in the process. There is a new Open Water Event Management Oversight Safety Task Force made up of different members of the LD and OW to review safety and event procedures. Mike and Patty said that this new task force needs to have other committee representation, such as Sports medicine and Fitness representation.
- 5) Discussion about the concern that the attendance at the rules forum last year during convention and the interaction was poor, but then issues occurred during the HOD. The rules committee felt dismayed when none of the questions or issues were addressed at any time. Nadine proposed that anything pulled must be brought up during the forum or the previous HOD, and then discussed at the next HOD meeting; that would give the legislation or rules time to work things out before the HOD. Mike wanted to make sure the BOD discusses Legislation as an agenda item for the Board of Directors call in two weeks.
- 6) Nadine reported that there are three members of the Board/Executive committee that have not yet registered with USMS for 2013.
- 8) Nadine asked the officers to send their reports to the BOD by January 18th prior to the BOD call on January 21st to be accepted by consent agenda, in order to focus on the emergency legislation.

The next Executive Committee call will be held on March 4^h at 8:30 pm EDT.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 PM EDT.
