

## Minutes for the 2000 USMS Convention

Committee Name: Legislation

Committee Session: I

Day and Date of Meeting: Thursday, October 12, 2000

### Action Items

\*\*\* Recommend to the HOD as Housekeeping: L-1, L-2, L-3 & L-4

\*\*\*Recommend to the HOD as Emergency Legislation: L-6 as amended.

### Attendance

Number of committee members present: 16 Number of committee members absent: 1

Total number of delegates attending the meeting: 22

### Minutes

I. Roll call and introduction of committee members.

II. Discussion and action on housekeeping amendment proposals.

M/S/P to recommend L-1 as housekeeping to the HOD.

M/S/P to recommend L-2 as housekeeping to the HOD.

M/S/P to recommend L-3 as housekeeping to the HOD.

M/S/P to recommend L-4 as housekeeping to the HOD.

III. Discussion and action on emergency amendment proposals.

M/S/F to recommend L-5 as emergency amendment proposal to the HOD. The committee agreed that L-5 should be reworded to clarify “zone representation requirements” and be resubmitted as an amendment proposal next year.

M/S/P to recommend L-6 as amended as emergency amendment proposal to the HOD.

IV. Discussion of R-9. It was agreed by this committee in discussion with Legal Counsel and the Rules Committee Chair that R-9 had implications and ramifications for USMS membership that exceeded the “rules of competition” (i.e. membership and registration, Long Distance, insurance, and possibly sanctioning) and therefore was best addressed as an amendment proposal to Article 201--“Athlete Registration and Representation”. The Chairs of Legislation and Rules Committees will work on amendment proposals to present to their respective committees to address and clarify these issues.

V. Bill Earley presented his thoughts of possible modifications to the sanctions section of the LMSC Handbook. He will provide copies to interested committee members and review proposed changes with the Registration Committee chair and the Executive Secretary.

**VI.** Rob Copeland presented copies of a draft of the “Operating Policies and Procedures” manual for the committee to committee members for review and comment. He will incorporate those comments into a future draft for our review.

**VII.** Other Projects for 2000-2001.

Part IV. Laura Kessler and Leslie Smith will review Part IV and submit any appropriate amendment proposals for next year.

Bill Earley and Marcia Marcantonio will review the Sanctions/Recognition sections of the code and submit any appropriate amendment proposals for next year.

Rick Windes and Steve Peterson will review Articles 1 and 3 for any potential conflicts with the Code. This committee will work with Rules and Long Distance Committees to correct any problems. It was suggested that members of the Rules Committee might also want to review the code for any “wet rules” that don’t really belong there.

**II.** **VIII.** Committee members were asked to review the USMS Strategic Plan and submit ideas as to how we can help to implement it.

### **Adjournment**

**Tasks for Upcoming Year:**

\* Complete the Legislation Committee Manual of Operating Policies and Procedures

\* Review Part IV and Article 202 and submit any needed amendment proposals

\*Work with Rules and Long Distance Committee to achieve consistency and clarity within the Rule Book.