

<b>Committee Name:</b>	Open Water Committee	<b>Vice Chair:</b>	To Be Determined
<b>Committee Chair:</b>	Bob Bruce	<b>Date/time:</b>	5/15/2016 - 8:00 PM EDT
<b>Minutes recorded by:</b>	Bob Bruce		

<b>Number of committee members present: 14</b>	<b>Absent: 6</b>	<b>Number of other delegates present: 0</b>
<b>Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair):</b> Voting: Bob Bruce (chair), Sherry Brooks, Denise Brown, Rob Copeland, Lynn Hazlewood, Bob Kolonkowski, Sue Nutty, Wil Reeves, Ally Sega. Ex-Officio: Mark Johnston, Donn Livoni, Chris McGiffen, Bill Roach		

#### **Motions Passed:**

1. MSA April 17, 2016, minutes.
2. MSA to recommend to the LDC these rules change proposals: 302.3, 303.3.1, 303.5 & 303.9.6, 304.1.1, 307.9.3, Housekeeping item #1, and housekeeping item #2.
3. MSA NOT to recommend to the LDC rule change proposal 307.9.3.

#### **New Action Items:**

1. Bob Bruce will compose a test of 20-25 questions.—Action to be completed by Wednesday, May 18. Action completed.
2. Bob Bruce will open discussion threads for 302.2.2A, 304, and 307.2.1 on the OWC Forum.
3. Bob Kolonkowski will research implementation standards for safety and report at the next OWC meeting.

#### **Opening:**

1. The meeting was called to order at 8:03pm EDT.
2. Attendance was taken and a quorum was determined.
3. Minutes from OWC Meeting on April 17, 2016, were approved.

#### **Reports:**

1. Report from the Chair—Bob Bruce. Reports included in continuing business discussion.
2. Report from USMS Vice President—Chris McGiffin. No report

#### **Continuing Business:**

##### **1. Status of Previous OWC Action Items:**

- a. Bob Bruce will send out a link to the ISM quiz questions posted on the OW Forum December 15, 2015. Action completed.
- b. Bob Bruce will complete the ISM educational module.—Action to be completed by Wednesday, May 18.
- c. Jim Wheeler will go through safety webinars and create a Safety Director educational module webinar or power point.—Action to be completed by Wednesday, May 18.
- d. Sue Nutty to send out OW Service Award nominations forms to OW Chairs through LMSC Chairs.—not completed yet.
- e. Committee members to review 302.2.2 and submit comments or propose changes to Bob Bruce by May 1, 2016.—Action completed.
- f. Bill Roach to send thermal plan information to Dr. Jim Miller for review.—Action completed.
- g. Committee members to submit recommended changes for wording in 302.3B to Bob Bruce.—Action completed.
- h. Lynn Hazelwood to send a revision for the rationale in 303.8.3 to Bob Bruce.—Action completed.
2. **OWGTO**—Rob Copeland. Discussion continued on revision of OWGTO. Lynn Hazlewood has reviewed the entire OWGTO with suggestions as to how we might proceed.
3. **Safety Education Subcommittee**—Jim Wheeler. Bob Bruce reported that the ISM and Safety Director trainings should be posted and sent to Bill Roach within the next three days.

4. **Awards Subcommittee**—Sue Nutty. Working on evaluation rubric for the OW Service award. Will send nomination information/form to LMSC chairs and LD/OW chairs soon.
5. **OW Swim Training Subcommittee**—Rendy Opdycke. No report
6. **Rules & Legislation Subcommittee**—Bob Bruce. After much discussion...
  - a. Moved to recommend to the LDC these rules change proposals: 302.3, 303.3.1, 303.5 & 303.9.6, 304.1.1, 307.9.3, Housekeeping item #1, and housekeeping item #2.
  - b. Moved NOT to recommend to the LDC rule change proposal 307.9.3.
  - c. Tabled rules change proposals 303.8 & 303.8.2, 303.8.1, 304 & 304.1, and 307.2.1 new D.
7. **Other**—Bill Roach reported that 47 events (including 9 new ones) have been sanctioned for this year, compared to the 59 events that were sanctioned in 2015.

Close:

1. Next meeting: Sunday, June 12 - 8:00pm EDT, etc.
2. The meeting was adjourned at 9:46pm EDT.