

RT Committee Conference Call Minutes of 01/17/2016

Committee Name: Records & Tabulation Committee

Session #: 1 of 1

Committee Chair: Jeanne Seidler

Vice Chair: MJ Caswell

Minutes recorded by: MJ Caswell & Jeanne Seidler

Date/time of meeting: Sun., 01/17/16, 7:30pm central

Motions Passed:

None other than routine (approve last meeting minutes, adjourn the meeting)

Number of committee members present: 8

Absent: 6

Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair): Jeanne Seidler (C), MJ Caswell (VC), Cheryl Gettlefinger, Walt Reid, Chris Stevenson (EC), Mary Sweat, Hans van Meeteren, Mary Beth Windrath (Ex O)

Committee Members Absent: Mike Abegg, Jim Matysek (Ex O), Tait Michael, Ginger Pierson, Kim Thornton, Erin Shields

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm central time.

1. Jeanne welcomed everyone to the conference call.
2. MSA to approve minutes from the RT Meeting held at the 2015 Convention.
3. Announcements:
 - a. Rule Books (2016) have been ordered for RT Committee Members who were not otherwise receiving a copy of the rule book through other situations.
 - b. Legislative items presented at the 2016 Convention were passed except for the change to item 202.2, Recognized Events, which was intended to recognize situations where members competed in international events that were FINA but not FINA Masters events. The committee will not pursue the change to 202.2 in the future.
 - c. Walt Reid has passed the administration of USMS national records and the USMS List of Measured Pools to Mary Beth Windrath. Walt was thanked for his many, many years of work in the RT domain which included 10-11 years as the Chair of the RT Committee.
4. BOD update from Chris Stevenson – Bill Brenner is the interim Executive Director for USMS. The BOD has been working on prioritizing IT projects. One major issue is integrating open water swims into the USMS swims database. Issues include who would do the data entry and how the interfaces would work. Enabling mobile apps, end to end event management are big IT priorities. A list of IT priorities that affect TT and Records are listed below.
5. There are differences in Official Timer determination between USA swimming and USMS. Mary Beth and Walt will be working on a task force with the Legislation committee to make recommendations for us. We either need to adopt USA swimming rules or live with them being different, and having the resulting challenges when masters swimmers swim in USA meets.
6. Records Web – Jeanne is going to ask if Streamline readers can be requested to review the Records Web and look at individual and relay records with missing information (dates, full names, etc.) and if they know the missing info to send email to Mary Beth.
7. Mentoring TTR's – Cheryl and Kim volunteered to mentor TTR's as needed. So far there has not been any requests for mentoring.
8. IT Projects List –
 - a. Pool Measurement Database
 - b. Records Identification in meet results
 - c. Records Web
9. Pool Measurement documents are out of date on LMSC websites. Please review your own websites for out of date documents. It might be better to have a link to the Pool Measurements file on the USMS site.

10. Changes to Guide to Operations. Cheryl and Jeanne discussed adding more info to GTO regarding Top Ten instructions for processing recognized meets. Please review GTO and email any changes of Steps to take to address this point of other points that you feel need to be in the GTO.
11. New Rule Book Topics to think about. This year Jeanne wants to have the or Legislation proposals to the committees before spring nationals.
 - a. Should we try again on 202.1 to allow recognition of international meets without further documentation. We decided to drop this rule as the feeling in the HOD was not supportive.
 - b. Should we try to revise rules to eliminate bulkhead placement confirmation measurement requirements but not relax requirements for initial measurements or lane measurement for a record. We agreed to think about this and use the forums to discuss it.
 - c. Should we eliminate rule that requires Records to be listed in the USMS Rule Book? Mary Beth will send out an email to all the TT recorders and Sanctions Chairs
 - d. and we will discuss this on the forums. Many meet directors put the records into manager. Should that be a recommendation that all meet directors import the records into Meet Manager?
12. We agreed that Sunday nights are best meeting days for this committee.
13. Cheryl made a motion to adjourn and Mary Beth seconded. Motion passed and meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM central time.

Tasks for the Next Meeting

1. The next conference call will be on a Sunday night in mid February, but not on 2/7/2016.

The meeting was adjourned at. 8:30 pm central time
