

USMS Convention — Jacksonville, Florida 2018

Committee Name:	Rules	Session #:	#2
Committee Chair:	Charles Cockrell	Vice Chair:	Mollie Grover/Claire Letendre
Minutes recorded by:	Christina Fox	Date/time of meeting:	9/28/2018; 8:00 am

Actions Requiring Approval by the HOD:

1. None

Motions Passed:

1. MSA to remove U-6 from the table.
2. MSA to recommend U-6 to the HOD.
3. MSF to recommend R-15 to the HOD.
4. MSF to deem R-24 as an emergency.

Number of committee members present:	Absent:	Number of other delegates present:
Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair): Charles Cockrell, Mollie Grover, Carolyn Boak, Kathy Casey, Julie Dusliere, Christina Fox, Laura Groselle, Judy Gillies, Karen Harris, Matt Hooper, Barb Protzman, Jessica Seaton, Steve Unruh, Rand Vaillancourt,		
Ex-officio: Richard Garza (Legislation)		
Committee Members Absent: Marilyn Fink, Claire Letendre, Bob Seagraves		

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 am

1. Charles introduced the following proposals to be covered in this meeting:
 - a. R-11 (Records and Top 10 times using an Automatic Primary Timing System)
 - i. Charles provided background on an instance where a swimmer lost a time and record to an administrative error at a national meet, noting that recent changes had removed the ability to adjust, if necessary, and asked the committee if any other action/information was required.
 - ii. For 103.18.5.C, Carolyn asked why not 3 watches versus 2 watches. Kathy and Charles indicated that 2 watches is the minimum requirement for nationals. Leo Letendre (NE) noted that a swimmer should not lose a time due to an administrative error and that statistical analysis showed that the intermediate of 3 watches is less accurate than average of 2 watches.
 - iii. There was discussion on operating procedures and the need to educate officials.
 - iv. No further committee action required.
 - b. U-6 (Lane markers)
 - i. MS (Rand/Steve) to remove U-6 from the table. Motion passed.
 - ii. Charles provided alternative language for consideration and initial discussion.
 - iii. Matt noted that it could be read as lane markers could be used over the fixed mark. Kathy and Charles noted that the fixed mark takes precedence. There was discussion on language regarding “visible” and additional information on judging.
 - iv. MS (KC/JD) to amend to remove “visible” and remove language after “.....judging.”. There was further discussion on use of the fixed mark versus lane marker (Rand, Karen, Judy) and regarding application/interpretation (Mike Abegg (IL)). Motion to amend passed.
 - v. Motion to recommend U-6 as amended to the HOD passed.

- c. R-15 (Information for Participants)
 - i. MS (Rand/Kathy) to reconsider recommending R-15 to the HOD.
 - ii. Charles indicated that initial concern was the definition of “registration” and there was discussion on other possible improvements in the language for clarity. The original language was reviewed and the committee felt this was adequate/appropriate at this time. It was suggested (Carolyn, Judy, Kathy) that the original language be retained and further work be done on this article next year.
 - iii. Motion to recommend R-15 to the HOD failed.
 - d. R-24 Emergency Proposal (Article 102.9) from Indiana LMSC
 - i. Charles reviewed the process for emergency amendments per 601.4.6 and noted that the initial consideration for the committee is whether the proposal is deemed an emergency.
 - ii. MS (Rand/Judy) to consider proposal as an emergency.
 - iii. After lengthy discussion, motion to deem R-24 from Indiana LMSC as an emergency failed.
 - e. Appendix B
 - i. Charles noted that the new format was favorably received by the Executive Committee.
 - ii. L-48 (jurisdiction for Appendix B) will potentially be reconsidered in Legislation meeting.
2. Charles shared some recent interpretations issued:
- a. There was an interpretation regarding some swimmers who exceeded the event limit at Pan-Am meet (FINA meet).
 - b. There were interpretations on late start issues with recently purchased Daktronic equipment.

Tasks for the Upcoming Year

- 1.

The meeting was recessed at 9:15 am
