

# USMS Convention—Dearborn, Michigan 2006

<b>Committee Name:</b> Championship	<b>Session #:</b> 3	<b>Report #:</b> 15
<b>Minutes recorded by:</b> Lisa Watson	<b>Date/time of meeting:</b> 9/16 8 AM	

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## Proposed Expenditures

1. None.

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## Action Items

1. MSA to have a graduated pay scale for the meet surcharge at 2007 LC Nationals in Woodlands. The pay scale would be as follows: \$40 for entering seven weeks or longer prior to the meet; \$45 for entering between seven and five weeks prior to the meet; \$80 for entering between five and four weeks prior to the meet.

<b>Committee Chair:</b> Mark Moore	<b>Vice Chair(s):</b> Jeff Roddin	
<b>Number of committee members present:</b> 19	<b>Absent:</b> 5	<b>Number of other delegates present:</b> 20
<b>Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair):</b> Mark Moore, Lisa Watson, Sandi Rousseau, Mel Goldstein, Barb Protzman, Debbie Cavanaugh, Steve Newman, Diane Stowell, Michael Moore, Jerry Clark, Jim Matysek, Errol Graham, Jane Moore, CJ Rushman, Barry Fasbender, Heather Hagadorn, Jeff Roddin, Mark Gill, Kim Crouch.		

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## Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 8 AM.

1. Chairman Mark Moore called the meeting to order.
2. Sandi Rousseau announced that the Rules Committee will be conducted the selection of the proposed meet schedules by the House of Delegates.
3. Mark announced that the Editorial Committee has requested a representative from Championship to give the USMS Webmaster updates on upcoming dates of interest regarding Nationals for the USMS website. Sandi Rousseau volunteered to serve as the representative from our committee.
4. The concept of a graduated meet surcharge was discussed. Rationale was that this would encourage swimmers to enter earlier, and thus help stagger the workload for processing the entries. Carolyn Boak made a motion to offer the following graduated meet surcharge at 2007 LC Nationals in Woodlands: \$40 if entering by June 22 (seven weeks prior to the meet); \$45 if entering by July 6 (five weeks prior to the meet); \$80 for entering by July 13 (four weeks prior to the meet). With this scale, those who chose to enter during the last week would pay a much higher cost. However, this does allow the meet deadline to move closer to the meet, from 35 to 28 days. Diane Stowell seconded the motion. **MSA to have a graduated pay scale for the meet surcharge at 2007 LC Nationals in Woodlands. The pay scale would be as follows: \$40 for entering seven weeks or longer prior to the meet; \$5 for entering between seven weeks and five weeks prior to the meet; \$80 for entering between five and four weeks prior to the meet.**
5. CJ Rushman presented another proposed meet schedule to the committee which included relays all on one day. There was further discussion regarding this concept. Mark Gill suggested leaving the distance day as it is and manipulating the other events around the relays. Jane Moore pointed out that this might have a medical consideration, as it may allow swimmers to swim several relays and individual events all on one day. A subcommittee was formed to look into this further. Steve Newman, CJ Rushman, Diane Stowell, Barb Protzman and Lisa Watson will comprise the subcommittee. Jane Moore suggested that the subcommittee look at old timelines of prior Nationals meets to help formulate a proposed schedule.
6. Lisa Watson reported on the SCM Virtual National Championships. A subcommittee chaired by Lisa, and including Mel Goldstein, Jerry Clark, Leianne Crittenden and Paul Smith has been working on this during the past year. One intended goal is to help increase participation at big regional SCM meets. The subcommittee has decided to have a practice run for this year, simply combining and tabulating results from several prominent regional SCM meets. Mel has volunteered to tabulate these results. Thus far, Long Beach, Walnut Creek and Indianapolis have agreed to be included in this practice run, with the possibility of one or two other meets to also be included. After Mel tabulates these results, then the subcommittee can

formulate guidelines to hopefully have an official Virtual SCM National Championship in the future. Mark Gill, who originally proposed this concept, will be working with this subcommittee.

7. Jeff Roddin presented the list of bid considerations for Mount Hood and Mission Viejo to the Championship Committee for approval. This list is included below with the minutes, with the intent of helping the delegates make an informed selection for their choice of venue for 2008 LC Nationals.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 AM.

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## Tasks for the Upcoming Year

1. A subcommittee will work on formulating a Nationals meet schedule that includes relays on one day.

### 2008 Long Course Nationals Bid Considerations

Consideration Factors	Mount Hood, Oregon	Mission Viejo, California
Meet Director Experience	Extensive	Extensive
Warm-up Lanes	6 x 25 yards	9 x 25m + 4 x 25y teaching pool
Pool Depth (feet)	16 (Start) 10 (Center) 6 (Turn)	6.5 (Start) 11.5 (Center) 6.5 (Turn)
Meet Format	Standard 4 days	5 days (two days of distance + possible relay day)
Geography/Bidding Area	Last hosted Nationals in 1995; 2007 SCY Nationals in Federal Way	Hosted 2005 LCM Nationals
Lockers	330 women; 430 men	Changing areas
Toilets	12 (Men), 12 (Women)	4 (Men), 8 (Women)
Showers	10 (Men), 11 (Women)	9 (Men), 9 (Women)
Seating Capacity	4050 + grassy area	2500 + grassy area
Shuttle Service from Hotels	Free from Local Hotels	Max \$20 from Local Hotels
Parking	Ample free parking close in	Limited close-in lot; ample city street + free shuttle to overflow lot
Transportation & Lodging	Lower Cost Lodging	More Airport Choices