

To: The House of Delegates

From: Arthur C. Smith III
Chairman
Legislation Committee

Your Legislation Committee has reviewed the proposed changes to our Code of Regulations and herein submits its recommendations.

I would like to express my personal thanks to all the members of the Committee for their efforts in reviewing these proposals.

L-1 : New USMS Rule Book replacing the current practice of appearing as a section of the USS Rule Book.

The Legislation Committee recommends approval as amended.

L-2: The LMSC name of Central shall be equivalent to the LSC name of Illinois. Jackson County, IL shall be part of the Central LMSC.

The Legislation Committee recommends approval.

L-3: Add to the List of Standing Committees:

(16) The Insurance Committee shall consist of the Chairman appointed by the President for a two-year term and other members selected by the Chairman as may be necessary to carry out the duties of the Committee. The Committee shall study and review the insurance needs of USMS, and shall recommend policies, procedures and appropriate insurance coverage for USMS, its participants and programs.

The Legislation Committee recommends approval.

L-4: Eliminate observation requirements for sanctioned international meets

Revise Section IV-B

...Sanction or Approval is required if Masters times are to be considered for USMS National records or Top Ten considerations.

~~Foreign approvals are obtained from the National Registration Chairman.~~

Add to Section IV B (2) (i)

Foreign meets sanctioned by FINA, MSI, or Swimming Canada Natation (CASA) shall be automatically approved and do not require a USMS

observer. All other foreign approvals shall be obtained from the National Registration Chairman.

Proposed by the Pacific Northwest Association.

The Legislation Committee recommends approval.

L-5 Add (5) to III. B:

III. B (5): Each LMSC shall file a copy of its current By-Laws with the USMS National Office.

Proposed by the Legislation Committee.

The Legislation Committee recommends approval.

L-6 Delete IV. D (3) in its entirety and replace with:

(3) To transfer representation from one club/organization to another, a swimmer must serve two hundred seventy (270) consecutive days without having represented any club/organization in competition, regardless of his residency. However, if a swimmer changes his residency from one LMSC to another, he shall serve only ninety (90) consecutive days without having represented any club/organization in competition. (Effective November 7, 1988.)

Proposed by Kentucky LMSC.

The Legislation Committee tabled this proposal. Your Committee believes that the matters that precipitated this proposal are of sufficient importance to warrant careful study. Accordingly, the Committee established a sub-Committee chaired by Dan Gruender to investigate, review and determine the proper course of action for USMS to deal with the issues regarding mega-teams, "national teams", and transfers between Clubs and LMSC's. This subcommittee will develop legislation if needed and submit its recommendations to the House of Delegates in July 1989, in ample time for the House to review prior to the 1989 Convention.

L-7 Revise III. H (7) Membership/Registration Committee as follows:

(7) The Membership/Registration Committee shall consist of the Chairman appointed by the President for a two year term, and one member from each of the zones, plus one member-at-large.

Proposed by the Membership/Registration Committee.

The legislation Committee recommends approval.

L-8 Revise IV. A (1) as follows:

- (1) Athlete registration is for the period November 1 through October 31 of each year. Swimmers applying for new registration on or after ~~October 1~~ September 1 will be issued a registration card valid through October 31 of the following year.

Proposed by the Membership/Registration Committee.

The Legislation Committee recommends approval as amended.

Discussion regarding the matter of establishing Life Memberships in USMS and establishing the Ransom Arthur Awards Committee as a Standing Committee were discussed. The Legislation Committee decided that these issues required further study and will be addressed at the next Convention.

- L9 Change name of audit comm. to Internal Audit Comm.
L10 Change III.1.2h p 153 from 1 month to 2 months

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SIGN UP PLEASE

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