# **2021 USMS Legislation Committee Meetings**

Committee Name: Legislation Committee Session #: N/A

Committee Chair: Charles Cockrell Vice Chair: Stephanie Gauzens

Minutes recorded by: Byron Shefchik Date/time of meeting: Jan 19, 2021 7PM ET

# **Actions Requiring Approval by the HOD:**

1. N/A

### **Motions Passed:**

1. N/A

Number of committee members present: 12 Absent: 2 Number of other delegates present: 2

#### Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair):

Charles Cockrell

Stephanie Gauzens

Joan Campbell

Becky Cleavenger

Diana Dolan LaMar

Kristof Kertesz

Jane Moore

Steve Peterson

Doug Sayles

Byron Shefchik

Meg Smath

Patrick Weiss

Teddy Palmer

#### **Committee Members Absent:**

Jeff Enge

**Ex Officio:** Mollie Grover **EC:** Chris Colburn

## **Minutes**

The meeting was called to order at 7:04PM ET.

- 1. Charles suggested we continue to use Doodle poll to schedule meetings
- 2. Discussion of tools Charles would like to use Dropbox as our file sharing tool and asked for objections. There were no hard objections.
- 3. Volunteers: Byron Shefchik to serve as secretary. Meg Smath to manage the packet for national meeting.
- 4. Review the survey results Charles shared the fact that we had a wide variety of answers. The team concluded that we could put together "meeting norms" to help contribute to this committee's success, with "assume positive intent" being one. Byron, Stephanie, and Kristof agreed to put a draft together.
- 5. Charles suggested we speak upfront to other committees and align on objectives and what they'll submit to us. He would like to schedule meetings with other committees now so they can prepare for that. Decision: Charles will reach out and ask each committee how they'd like to have the discussion, potentially as an agenda item on their team meeting's agenda or a separate discussion with a group from each team. The primary purpose is to encourage early submission.
- 6. Diana commented we can be a liaison with the LMSC's. The team agreed that early preparation with background will help make discussions go more smoothly.
- 7. Meg suggested we all read the current rule book so we can address conflicts created by the proposals versus current rules and no one disagreed.

# Tasks for the Upcoming Year

1. Committee will react to rule change proposals and prepare them for the National Meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:17ET.