

## USMS CONVENTION – San Diego, CA – 2003

Committee Name: **Championship Committee** Session # 3

Cmte. report #: 25

Minutes recorded by: Lisa Watson

Date/time of this meeting: 9/13/03 9:15 AM

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3. The Championship Committee voted to set a new deadline of October 31, 2003 for receiving any additional bids for the 2005 USMS Short Course Nationals. MSA
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Committee Chair: Barry Fasbender

Vice Chair(s): Jerry Clark

Number of committee members present: 17

Absent: 4

Number of other delegates at this meeting: 42

Committee members present (list all): Rob Berry, Carolyn Boak, Debbie Cavanaugh, Jerry Clark, Barry Fasbender, Ed Gendreau, Mark Gill, Gorden Gillin, Mel Goldstein, Errol Graham, Sally Maddox, Jim Matysek (Ex-officio), Jame Moore (Ex officio), Michael Moore, Barbara Protzman, Jeff Roddin, Sandi Rousseau, Tom Spence, Diane Stowell, Lisa Watson

### MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at: 9:15 AM

1. Bill Tingley addressed the committee with some comments about the 5 day format at Long Course Nationals. It was felt that the recent 2003 LC Nationals at Rutgers may have had its low turnout due in part to the length of the meet and how that may have impacted travel considerations. Bill recommended that for a 5 day Nationals, the 2 distance days should be placed at the beginning and end of the meet. The committee will continue to have further discussion about this issue.
2. The 2005 Long Course bids were discussed by the committee. Mission Viejo presented its bid to the House of Delegates during Friday's session. Orlando did not have a representative present at the convention. **The Championship Committee voted to accept both Mission Viejo and Orlando as certifiable Long Course bids for 2005. MSA The committee voted unanimously to recommend Mission Viejo to the House of Delegates.**
3. The only SC bid was Orlando. The Championship Committee had several concerns about this bid, such as space limitations and meet management issues. Orlando did not have a representative present at the convention, and the committee was unable to establish telephone contact at the convention and so was unable to get sufficient

information to certify their bid. **The Championship Committee recommended suspending Rules 104.3D, 104.3E, & 104.3F for the 2005 Short Course Nationals. After certification and review of bids, the Championship Committee shall recommend a meet site to host the 2005 SC Nationals to the Board of Directors. The bid shall be approved by a majority vote of the Board of Directors. MSA**

4. This previous motion allows the Championship Committee to accept additional bids for 2005 Short Course Nationals. **The Championship Committee voted to set a new deadline of October 31, 2003 for receiving any additional bids for the 2005 Short Course Nationals. MSA**
5. Jim Matysek addressed the committee about setting up a merchant account to be available for the meet hosts to use for processing on-line entries. This would greatly simplify matters, since each new meet host would no longer have to set up their own merchant account. **The Championship Committee voted to submit revenue items of \$43,260 and expense items of \$240 and \$43,260 to set up a merchant account that can be used for on-line entry processing for national meets. MSA**
6. Discussion about the 2005 Nationals bids also fueled some comments about the bidding process. It was suggested that the Championship Committee needs to be more pro-active in soliciting bids, and also more helpful to that meet host. It was felt that potential meet hosts might be scared of by the strict regulations imposed by this committee. USA was used as an example in that they had changed their guidelines for working with meet hosts so that there was more compatibility. Mark Gill suggested that for each team that requests a bid packet, the Championship Committee appoint a member to help that potential meet host in putting together all that is needed to submit an acceptable bid.
7. There were additional agenda items, which were not discussed due to lack of time. The committee will discuss these items after the convention.

The meeting was adjourned at: 10:30 AM

#### TASKS FOR THE UPCOMING YEAR

1. The subcommittee on changing NQTs, comprised of Michael Moore, Carolyn Boak, Jim Matysek, Jeff Roddin, and Lisa Watson will inform the Championship Committee of its discussions during the convention. The entire committee will continue to look at this issue.
2. The Championship Committee will continue to look at ways to be more helpful to National Championship meet hosts.
3. The Championship Committee will continue further discussion regarding the 5 day format for LC Nationals.
4. Discussion continues regarding establishing a long term contract with Hy-Tek for National Championship meets.