

<b>Committee Name:</b>	Rules Committee	<b>Session #:</b>	
<b>Committee Chair:</b>	Mollie Grover	<b>Date/time of meeting:</b>	21 June 2022 / 7:30 PM ET
<b>Minutes recorded by:</b>	Julie Dusliere		

**Actions Taken:**

1. MSA to table L-14 for tonight.
2. MSA to recommend HK-1 to the HOD.
3. MSA to recommend HK-2 to the HOD.
4. MSA to recommend HK-3 to the HOD.
5. MSA to recommend HK-4 to the HOD.

<b>Number of committee members present: # 13</b>	<b>Absent: # 1</b>	<b>Guests: # 0</b>
<b>Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair):</b> David Benjamin, Kathrine Casey, Julie Dusliere, Marilyn Fink, Christina Fox, Judy Gillies, Mollie Grover (Chair), Claire Letendre (Vice Chair), Timothy Murphy, Barbara Protzman, C.J. Rushman, Jessica Seaton, Jason Weis		
<b>Not present:</b> Christopher Nolte		
<b>Ex Officio present:</b> Chris Colburn (VP of Administration), Terri White (USMS Officials Committee)		
<b>Ex Officio absent:</b> Bill Brenner (USMS National Office), Charles Cockrell (USMS Legislation Committee), Steve Hall (USMS National Office)		
<b>Guests:</b> n/a		

**Minutes**

The meeting was called to order at 7:32 pm ET.

2022 Proposals

1. L-14 Discussion
  - a. M/S (Kathy/Jason) to recommend L-14 to the HOD.
  - b. Mollie shared the intent behind this proposal is to streamline things legislatively with both USA Swimming and FINA Masters swimming amendments that affect USMS rules.
  - c. The committee discussed the philosophical change in decision making authority from House of Delegates to Rules Committee should this legislation pass. It was noted that historically the House has consistently voted as Rules has recommended where USA Swimming amendments are concerned.
  - d. M/S (Kathy/Jessica) to amend 601.4.7 C – add the words “in part 1” after the clause “rules of competition”. Passed unanimously.
  - e. Mollie noted that where FINA is concerned the timing will coincide with any new rules imposed internationally on an ongoing basis rather than simply in between meetings of the House of Delegates.
  - f. M/S (David/Kathy) to amend 601.4.7 A – after “USMS” on line four insert “unless the USMS House of Delegates votes to reject those amendments, or”. This would retain power in the HOD to accept/reject amendments when the timing aligns but would give that power to the Rules Committee when timing doesn’t coincide with the HOD. M/S (Kathy/David) to amend the amendment “unless the timing of annual meetings allows the UMSM HOD to vote to reject those amendments, or”. The amendment strikes a balance between giving Rules the power to handle things that are out of cycle and retaining that power in the HOD when in cycle with the USA Swimming annual meeting. The committee discussed how best to clarify the intent of the language and ultimately moved it to a new sentence at the end of the section.
  - g. M/S (Claire/Kathy) to table the discussion on the proposed amended language.
  - h. Marilyn noted that the correct article number in the FINA paragraph should be 601.4.8.

- i. M/S (Claire/Jason) to table L-14. Passed unanimously.
2. HK-1
  - a. M/S (David/Jason) to recommend HK-1 to the HOD.
  - b. Motion to recommend HK-1 to the HOD passed unanimously.
3. HK-2
  - a. M/S (Claire/Jason) to recommend HK-2 to the HOD.
  - b. Motion to recommend HK-2 to the HOD passed unanimously.
4. HK-3
  - a. M/S (Claire/Christina) to recommend HK-3 to the HOD.
  - b. Motion to recommend HK-3 to the HOD passed unanimously.
5. HK-4
  - a. M/S (Claire/Jason) to recommend HK-4 to the HOD.
  - b. Motion to recommend HK-4 to the HOD passed unanimously.

M/S (Claire/Jason) to recess the meeting until Tuesday, June 28<sup>th</sup>, 7:30pm ET, passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55pm ET.