Committee Name:	Board of Directors	Session #:	Report #:
<b>Committee Chair:</b>	Nadine Day	Vice Chair: n/a	
Minutes recorded by:	C.J. Rushman	Date/time of meeting:	8/26/2013 at 8:30 pm EDT

**Motions Passed:** 

- MSA to reduce USMS member donations to ISHOF by the amount of ten cents per member from thirty five cents to twenty five cents per member.
- MSA to add four hundred dollars to the budget for the Treasurer for travel to the National Office for year end.
- MSA The Board directs the Finance Committee and National Staff to use their best efforts to balance the 2014 operating budget, but in no event may the 2014 budget deficit exceed 1.5% of operating expenses.

Number of committee members pro	esent: 21 Absent: 7	Number of other delegates present: 1

**Committee members present:** Nadine Day – President; called the meeting to order at 8:33 p.m. EDT. Also present were: C.J. Rushman –Secretary, Ed Tsuzuki- VP of Local Operations, Dave Diehl-VP of Programs, Michael Heather -VP of Administration, Jody Smith-VP of Community Services, Ralph Davis- Treasurer, Patty Miller- Legal Counsel, At-Large Directors; Chris McGiffin (Colonies), Phil Dodson (Great Lakes), Maria Elias Williams (Dixie), Hugh Moore (Northwest), Jim Clemmons (Oceana), Phil Whitten (Southwest Zone), Bruce Hopson (Breadbasket Zone), Jill Gellatly (South Central), Jeff Gudman – USA Swimming Liaison to USMS, Executive Director - Rob Butcher; Susan Kuhlman –CFO; Past-Presidents, Tom Boak, Nancy Ridout, & Rob Copeland. .

Not present: Past Presidents: Ted Haartz, Jim Miller, Dan Gruender, Mike Laux and June Krauser. Mel Goldstein is recused from BOD due to contractor position with USMS. Jeff Moxie –Immediate Past President has been granted temporary leave from the Board.

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 PM EDT.

1. The Board of Directors discusses the 2014 Budget as submitted by the National Office for to the Board for review. The BOD supports the 3% membership increase only for budget purposes. The BOD also voted on at the Summer BOD meeting to have a \$2.00 increase for the next 5 years. Discussion on the recommendations of the new staff position-Programs Managers position under Club and Coach Services. Discussion on the metrics of Club and Coach Services. The budget reflects that the LD committee did not increase the national event surcharge at \$3.00 per swimmer. The BOD has supported the insurance and sanction process. The Open Water committee is hosting webinars for open water. The BOD needs further discuss USMS resources for LD/OW events. MSA to reduce USMS member donations to ISHOF (5840) by the amount of ten cents per member from thirty five cents to twenty five cents per member. Discussion about line item 5280, International coaches at Worlds, and guest speakers at ASCA World Clinic Masters. The Coaches Committee will be presenting the Finance Committee regarding these two line items. Line item 5200/5205 was pulled by Nadine regarding the number of staff members attending either Spring or Summer Nationals. Rob B said that those persons are covered in other line items. Tom B mentioned if the event is an event that is hosted by USMS then national office should be attending. Discussion about the National Swims Administrator Contractor Position 5410. Rob B said that will be covered in a line item under Membership Services. Line item 5720 is pulled for discussion. Mike makes a motion to remove the \$25K for the Swim Today campaign with USA Swimming. Tom B seconded. Board discussed the advantages on this industry marketing campaign. Mike withdraws his motion. Tom B withdraws his second. The BOD unanimously supports the Swim Today Campaign and has an understanding the commitment is for 3 years. Phil D pulled line item 5080. Mike H seconded. MSA to add four hundred dollars to the budget for the Treasurer for travel to the National Office for year end and budgeting process. Phil D makes a motion that the Board directs the Finance Committee and National Staff to use their best efforts to balance the 2014 operating budget, but in no event may the 2014 budget deficit exceed 1.5% of operating expenses. Mike seconded. MSA - The Board directs the Finance Committee and National Staff to use their best efforts to balance the 2014 operating budget, but in no event may the 2014 budget deficit exceed 1.5% of operating expenses.

Mike makes a motion to have the budget, minus Advertisement and Sponsorship, available to the House of Delegates. Rob C seconded. Motion failed.

Next Board of Directors meeting will be on Wednesday September 11<sup>th</sup>. The meeting was adjourned at 10:31 pm EDT.