Committee Name:	Board of Directors	Session #: 1	<b>Report #:</b> 1
<b>Committee Chair:</b>	Nadine Day	Vice Chair:	
Minutes recorded by:	Chris Colburn	Date/time of meeting:	1/19/2015 8:30pm EST

## **Motions Passed:**

- 1. MSA to approve the minutes of the 11/17/2014 Board Conference Call.
- 2. MSA to approve the minutes of the 12/15/2014 Board Conference Call.

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Number of committee members present:Absent:Number of other delegates present: 1
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**Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair):** Nadine Day - President called the meeting to order at 8:31pm EST. Also present were: Chris Stevenson - VP of Local Operations; Chris McGiffin - VP of Programs; Jody Smith -VP of Community Services; Chris Colburn – Secretary; Phil Dodson – Treasurer; Patty Miller - Legal Counsel; At-Large Directors: Bruce Hopson (Breadbasket); Dave Diehl (Colonies); Sean Fitzgerald (Dixie); Dan Cox (Great Lakes); Sarah Welch (Northwest); Leianne Crittenden (Oceana); Jill Gellatly (South Central) and Laura Winslow (Southwest); Rob Butcher – Executive Director; Dave Coddington (USA Swimming Liaison to USMS); Past Presidents: Jeff Moxie, Rob Copeland, Jim Miller, Nancy Ridout and Ted Haartz.

Not present: Ed Tsuzuki - VP of Administration; Past Presidents: Mike Laux, Dan Gruender, and Tom Boak; Mel Goldstein is recused from the Board due to his contractor position with USMS.

Guests: None.

## **Minutes**

The meeting was called to order at 8:31pm EST.

- 1. Nadine welcomed Dan Cox to the Board of Directors.
- 2. Minutes Approvals (Chris Colburn): MSA to approve the minutes of the 11/17/2014 Board of Directors Conference Call. MSA to approve the minutes of the 12/15/2014 Board of Directors Conference Call.
- 3. Officers' Reports:
  - a. President's Report (Nadine):
    - i. All BOD members are registered with USMS.
    - ii. Only 2 national committee members are not currently registered with USMS.
    - iii. We only have 31 LMSC officers not registered with USMS to date for 2015. This represents a 50% improvement from last year. While not perfect, it is progress.
    - iv. 2015 Rule Books have been mailed. Contact Anna Lea or Tracy if you don't get one. Larry Krauser sent a nice email about the cover and how it appropriately honors June Krauser.
    - v. A draft Convention schedule is in the EC's hands. We hope to have a final copy by the Winter Board Meeting.
  - b. Community Services (Jody):
    - i. The Coaches Committee has requested to send coaches to Worlds and Pan Ams that might require a Finance ask. They are trying to determine if they only send coaches to one event, which meet to attend. PanAms is currently preferred due to expected numbers.
    - ii. Coaches is currently planning a national coaches clinic to be held in Nashville on June 5.
- 4. ED Update (Rob Butcher):
  - a. Rob complimented the Sports Medicine Committee on the idea of a regular Sports Medicine blog.
  - b. All BOD members have contributed to the Swimming Saves Lives Fund. 100% of staff have contributed to SSLF as well.
  - c. Membership numbers are pacing 4% ahead of the same date last year.
  - d. Last weekend, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Adult Learn to Swim Instructor teaching was completed in Great Barrington, MA. Close to 75 instructors have now gone through the program.
  - e. The National Office is currently soliciting proclamations from each state for Adult Learn to Swim Month in April. We have 43 champions currently lobbying this, and shooting for 50 by early to mid-March. States looking for a champion include AR, DE, LA, MS, NV, SD, UT, VT, DC, WV, WY.
- 5. The BOD entered Executive Session at 8:43pm EST to discuss the Executive Director's Board Headquarters report. The Board exited Executive Session at 9:03pm EST.
- 6. LMSC Chair Summit Task Force Update (Jill):
  - a. About 80% of LMSC Chairs are attending. Some LMSCs are sending multiple representatives.
  - b. Ed asked which non-LMSC people will be attending. Jill reported that specified staff and the entire task force will

be present, in addition to some potential speakers.

- c. Chris McGiffin asked about an agenda. Jill reported that she was trying to have it completed by the February Board Meeting.
- d. Jim Miller asked about his presentation, and a member of the Task Force is looking to tailor it to the LMSC level.
- 7. Open Water Task Force (Jim Miller):
  - a. USMS and USA-S are working on a cooperative effort in training officials. They will have dual certification and share information in both directions. The first training will be in Ft. Meyers. Four USMS members will represent USMS at the training. Financing is in place for that effort.
  - b. In OW swims, we don't have non-sanctioned swims in the same way we do in the pool. There is a difference between what is and isn't sanctioned in OW vs. in pool events. The suggestion is to use the word "unaffiliated" for non-sanctioned events.
- 8. Insurance Cost Sharing Group (Phil):
  - a. The group has found a number of options.
  - b. Decisions will be made by the BOD at the Winter Board Meeting.
  - c. Three meetings are planned to develop a plan in advance of the Winter BOD Meeting.
  - d. Chris McGiffin asked if the group would make recommendations. Phil believes the group will provide findings but not make specific recommendations unless there are good options to offer.
  - e. Members: Peter Guadagni (chair), Phil Dodson, Heather Hagadorn; Susan Kuhlman; Helen Naylor.
- 9. Sanction Task Force (Rob Copeland):
  - a. The group has not met yet, but has had some initial communications and a survey to discuss members' understanding of sanctioning. There will be something definitive to discuss by the Winter Board Meeting.
- Next meeting will be February 14, 2015 at 8am CST, Day 1 of the 2015 USMS Winter Board Meeting. Please send agenda items. Dale Neuberger will attend on Saturday afternoon and provide a FINA update. Please provide all needed materials by February 9.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20pm EST.

Respectfully Submitted,

Chris Colburn, Secretary