July 23, 2009 Governance Committee Call Anthony Thompson Notes

Attending: Nancy Rideout, Michael Moore, Julie Heather and Anthony Thompson Absent: Patty Miller, Don Mehl and Sean Fitzgerald.

The meeting open with comments about the FINA World events and TV coverage.

Since last meeting, no updates from Legislation Committee. A drafted Governance Committee Report for HOD Delegate packets was provided to everyone by e-mail by Patty Miller. Governance@usms.org has been set-up. Format to post our meeting minutes as clarified with Meg Smath (pdf format to post, and in word format if broaddcast to HOD delegate directly or other groups).

Agenda (# below) follow-up from previous meeting (note not taken in order)

3. Draft of Governance Report for HOD Delegate packets - Moved to top of agenda with deadline on Sunday 26-July-09 to Tracy Grilli.

The Committee agreed that document needed to be shorter. The committee set forth to shorten the document, but retain clarity of the overall process from this year work.

The document was reformatted to submit to HOD Delegate packets (by Julie with template provided for these reports). The Committee discussed if this should it be broadcast by e-mail – consensus was that it should not. E-mails are on the agenda below and can be discussed later.

- 2. Follow-ups with Committees:
 - a. Intl Cmte scheduled Wed 29-July-2009 Anthony & Nancy (& Michael)
 - b. Marketing scheduled Sun 26-July Michael
 - c. Open Water Wait for Patty to return
 - d. Finance Julie to talk to Jeff Moxie, plus waiting for Patty to return
 - e. Communications Michael on list from
 - f. Publication Mgmt Heather Hagadorn handling
 - g. Other Committees Zone Julie
- 1. Begin reviewing history of Governance Cmte and minutes
 - a. Full list of dates of meetings & minutes (do we have all the minutes)
 - b. Other key documents Charter (any others)
 - c. Reviewing minutes (might take 2-3 meeting to cover all of these)
 - d. Working with Meg Smath to get these posted on USMS Website

PLANNED to handle by e-mail in groups of 2-3 at time. Once reviewed, we'll start sending to Meg to get posted.

Remaining items tabled:

- 4. USMS Discussion Forum topics and content
- Group e-mail for Governance Cmte contacting Meg Smath to set-up (completed before the meeting by Anthony)
- 6. Direct communication with HOD Delegate by e-mails (after packets dispersed)
- 7. Dividing the 25+ legislative proposals so questions can be answered by someone on the committee, but everyone stay in formed.
- 8. Graphics toward any presentation/explanations Anthony
- 9. Other business for Governance
- 10. Schedule meeting [tentatively 7pm EST Thurs 30-July if a lot of progress made on minutes and other agenda items, we may chose to cancel the meeting (by a vote on Wed 29-July)].