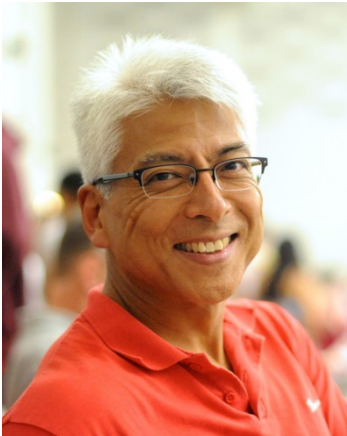


# Ed Tsuzuki – Candidate for Vice President of Administration



The Election Committee has deemed that Ed Tsuzuki is a member in good standing of USMS. The candidate has indicated he is planning to attend the HOD Meeting for this election year and is planning to attend all HOD Meetings during his tenure in office.

The candidate is running for reelection and is not required to provide a letter of nomination or letters of recommendation.

## **The candidate provided the following responses on the Candidate Questionnaire/Consent-to-Run Form:**

### **Section Two: Candidate Qualifications**

- I am a member in good standing of USMS in 2015:*  Yes  No
- I am planning to attend the annual meeting of the HOD in 2015:*  Yes  No
- I am Planning to attend all HOD Meetings during my tenure in office:*  Yes  No

### ***Please list the USMS National HOD Meetings you have attended, including the dates of attendance:***

1999 – San Diego, CA; 2000 – Kissimmee, FL; 2002 – Dallas, TX; 2003 – San Diego, CA; 2004 – Orlando, FL; 2005 – Greensboro, NC; 2006 – Dearborn, MI; 2007 – Anaheim, CA; 2008 – Atlanta, GA; 2009 – Chicago, IL; 2010 – Dallas, TX; 2011 – Jacksonville; 2012 – Greensboro; 2013 – Anaheim; 2014 – Jacksonville

### **III. Section Three: Questions**

**Why are you interested in this position and why do you believe you would be a good candidate?**

I have been a USMS member for 21 continuous years and have served as an officer at the LMSC level for 18 years and also as a national delegate and active committee member for 10 of the last 16 years. I have also served on the USMS Executive Committee as the Vice President of Local Operations for 4 years and as

Vice President of Administration for the last 2 years. I bring a tremendous amount of passion and energy to USMS at both the local and National levels and am very interested in continuing to extend my experience in the leadership role of Vice President of Administration and member of the USMS Board of Directors.

***What do you consider to be the major issues facing USMS now and in the future? As a person holding an elected position within USMS, how would you address these issues?***

Our organization continues to grow in both membership as well as our product and service offerings. I think a major issue facing the organization is its ability to manage this growth and specifically how to optimize both the value of the national office staff and the tremendous contributions of our volunteers. I have long been personally committed to improving the awareness and understanding of our volunteer base and have most recently become involved in improving the communication between our LMSC leadership and both the national office and USMS leadership (at the first LMSC Leadership Summit). I am determined to continue improving the back and forth communication and understanding because I believe this will lead to an even more productive and motivated group of volunteers. In turn, this will improve the USMS membership experience.

***Please list USMS committees on which you have served. Include the dates you were on the committees and the names of the committee chairs under whom you served:***

Records and Tabulation Committee  
Chair – Pieter Cath (1999-2004)  
Chair – Mary Beth Windrath (2005-2007)  
Chair – Ed Tsuzuki (2008-2009)  
Computer On-Line (1999-2000)  
End-to-End Event Management Task Force (Chair 2010-2012)

***Please list any other experience that relates to your qualifications for the position.***

In addition to serving on the Executive Committee and Board of Directors for the last six years, I have served as Chair or Vice Chair of the Records and Tabulation Committee for 10 years. I have also led the End-to-End Event Management task force which has been responsible for the development of the on-line meets database, event rankings, automation of the top ten tabulation process and most recently the on-line sanctions request and integrated calendar of events.

***Please list any other information you would like included.***

I live and breathe swimming. In addition to the “administrative” involvement detailed in this bid, I am an active pool and open water competitor and have been the head coach of the Bernards High School (New Jersey) girls and boys swim teams for the past 27 years.

***Please write a short summary statement that will be posted on the display board with your photograph at the HOD Meeting***

I have been a USMS member for 21 years, served as an officer at the LMSC level for 18 years, and as a national delegate and active committee member for the last 16 years. The most recent 6 years have allowed me to serve with great passion and energy as a member of the Executive Committee and Board of Directors. I am very proud of the close working relationships I have been able to develop with our committee chairs as well as with the National Office staff and I look forward to the opportunity to extend that to our LMSC leaders. I believe we have an incredibly enthusiastic and dedicated volunteer base and would like to continue to promote the development of and growth of United States Masters Swimming.