

USMS Convention — Jacksonville, Florida 2014

Committee Name:	USMS Officials Committee	Session #:	1	Report #:	
Committee Chair:	Edward Saltzman	Vice Chair:	Pat Baker		
Minutes recorded by:	Marilyn Fink	Date/time of meeting:	9/18/14 6:45 PM		

Actions Requiring Approval by the HOD:

1. None

Motions Passed:

1. Approved minutes from the 07/28/14 conference call.

Number of committee members present: 8	Absent: 6	Number of other delegates present: 12
Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair): Edward Saltzman, Chair, Patricia Baker, Vice Chair, Marilyn Fink, John King, Alina Perez de Armas, Mary Pohlmann, Sandi Rousseau, Kathrine Casey, Ex Officio, and Chris McGiffin, Ex Officio		

Minutes

Meeting called to order at 6:45 PM EST.

1. MSA minutes from the 7/28/14 conference call meeting.
2. Proposed rules changes affecting officials discussed: R41 104.5.10 staffing at National Championship meets (submitted by Officials Committee) and R15 addition of 25 yd. events (consensus to not recommend).
3. Updated documents posted to the Officials section of the USMS GTO tab. Deck officials responsibilities documents added.
4. Budgeted expenses incurred for 2014 included \$2170 for Santa Clara and \$2290 for Maryland. Similar level of funding requested for 2015.
5. Pilot program PowerPoint for USMS Officials Training and Certification demonstrated. Draft training to be made available to committee for review. Crossover training (USMS vs USAS vs NCAA rules etc.) module to be added. Written exams to be updated. Future items for consideration include age of eligibility, whether USMS membership is required, how to track training, what documentation to give officials when training successfully completed, ongoing training, etc. Point of information-volunteer officials not members of USMS are covered by USMS insurance.
6. Progress not yet made on getting officials tab on the USMS website. To be further pursued, as a place will be needed to post USMS training documents that are larger files.
7. Liaison assignments for the 2015 National Championships to be discussed at next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM EST.
