USMS Convention — Atlanta, Georgia 2016

Committee Name: Officials Session #:

Committee Chair: Brian Albright Vice Chair: Ed Saltzman

Minutes recorded by: Brian Albright Date/time of meeting: 9/22/2016 11:30 am

Actions Requiring Approval by the HOD:

1. N/A

Motions Passed:

1. Approved minutes from committee conference call on 8/31/2016

Number of committee members present: 13 Absent: 4 Number of other delegates present: 33

Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair): Brian Albright, Ed Saltzman, Mary Pohlmann, Steven Goldman, Judy Gillies, Teri White, Alina de Armas, Omar de Armas, Dave Coddington, Pat Baker Ex Officio: Chris McGiffin from USMS Board, Jim Holcomb from USA Swimming Officials Committee, Laura Hamel from USMS Staff

Committee Members Absent: Marilyn Fink, Michael Moore, Herb Schwab, Al Ness

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at: 11:30am

- 1. Introdutions
- 2. Minutes from the committee conference call on 8/31/2016 were approved.
- 3. Discussion about the USMS Officials Program
 - a. Update on number of currently certified officials
 - b. How the program was created in the way it was.
 - c. Delegates can learn how to participate in program tomorrow during Workshop session.
- 4. Discussion about factors affecting officials at USMS Nationals.
 - a. Recruiting more officials
 - b. Long days
 - c. Financial support of officials
 - d. USMS Nationals on greater championship swim meet calendar (USA Swimming, etc)
- 5. Discussion of desire to clean up USMS rules dealing with officials.

Tasks for the Upcoming Year

- 1. Grow the USMS Officials Certification Program
- 2. Review Rules in the USMS Rule Book regarding Officials and suggest any changes that need to be made.
- 3. Work to create a USMS Officials award.
- 4. Look at financial incentives to help bring more officials to nationals. Possibly ask for a budget increase for 2018.

The meeting was adjourned at: 12:30pm