2004 USAS CONVENTION SCORING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Attending: Jackie McDaniel, Bob Wiegand, Scotti Nichols, Jennie Harper, Jodi

Silotto, Tori Johnson, Dave Scoons, Beth Borland, Kirsten Fullerton,

Teena Marie Griggs, Barbara Longstaff, Meg Preiss, Jan Raio,

Stephanie Sherk, Toby Smith

Called to Order at 4:00 p.m.

Everyone introduced themselves with Jennie and Jodi explaining their responsibilities in the office. Jackie thanked everyone for their help this past year and then listed the meets for 2005 and which Zone Scoring Chairs would be responsible for them.

Collegiates in Gainesville, Florida – Dave Olson

Juniors in Midland, Texas - Candie Deatherage

Senior Nationals in Federal Way, Washington – Jackie McDaniel will be unable to attend due to a family affair and will ask Monte Johnson (Zone Technical Chair) to oversee the scoring of that meet

eSynchro Age Groups in Buffalo, New York - Bob Wiegand

U. S. Open in San Diego - Jackie McDaniel

Masters in Clermont, Florida – either Candie Deatherage or Dave Olson Jackie mentioned that both Dave and Candie will be contacting her as to which meets they will be overseeing.

Jennie questioned the efficacy of posting the Scoring program on the web site. Discussion followed as to the wisdom of placing the Scoring program within the reach of everyone (copyright laws were mentioned as to the reason for not doing so). Dave suggested Jennie check with Norm Donofrio's contract to see if there are copyright laws in effect.

Bob mentioned to Jennie the lack of disks sent to the 4 Zone Scoring Chairs, who need them when going to meets where there is not a club and there is no Scoring program on the computers being used for the meet. We as Zone Scoring Chairs need to have a disk with us to load onto the computers so the meet can be run. Discussion followed as to how the Scoring program is being sent electronically and the difficulty some have in retrieving it from their e-mails (the program is very large and some computers will not accept it). Toby suggested that an e-mail be sent explaining how to retrieve the program and that the program is being sent in a separate electronic e-mail and then perhaps it could be retrieved. Jennie will look into this and agreed that it might solve the problem.

Teena Marie asked about sorting a meet according to Association when there is more than one (1) Association attending the same meet. Jackie gave a brief overview of the procedure and Bob mentioned the Scoring seminar he gives at Lake Placcid in New York in the fall and explained what they cover. Dave and Toby

shared their experiences at the seminar. Bob invited anyone who would like to attend and Jennie asked if the other Zones do anything similar. Jackie mentioned that they do not and perhaps it is because the other 3 zones are more spread out more widely. It was suggested that perhaps this could be done at a meet and someone mentioned that there is no time at meets.

We discussed the need or lack of for the registration numbers on the Club Entry Form. We could use the extra space and have no time or ability to check each and every registration number. Jackie mentioned that the mere placement of a number (if not checked) could be any numbers in someones imagination, as the Scoring Chairs do not have access to the entire synchro registration and when getting ready for a meet usually do not have the time to do so. Jackie also mentioned that she had talked to Scott about this at Age Groups in Indianapolis and he mentioned that soon (hopefully) the clubs would be able to enter the meets electronically and the registration number would automatically pull over when the athlete was entered. Jackie suggested that the Club Entry Form (which Jennie is in the process of redesigning) might have a box or a line for the Club Representative or Coaches signature, verifying that the above athletes and club are registered. This was well received by all. Jennie is going to talk to Scott about deleting the registration number. Toby mentioned the liability problem with speed swimming and perhaps the same situation will be found with synchronized swimming.

We discussed the Club Entry Forms and the need for separate forms for Collegiates and Masters. Jennie is working on redesigning the forms and she and Jackie will be working on them. Jackie passed out the 2 pages of Meet Abbreviations determined last year for use with qualifying meets. She will e-mail them to Jennie at the office for inclusion on the web.

The meeting	was	adjourned	at	6:00	p.m.
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	Jackie McDaniel,
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