Executive Committee/Board of Directors

• I will ask Chris Colburn to brief the committee on strategic initiatives and outlook from the Board of Directors. We will make that an agenda topic at the next meeting.

CEO/National Office Leadership Team – Phone Call with Dawson Hughes.

- No big initiatives this year. May have some strategic issues working with the BOD that could generate legislation next year.
- Focused on the continued evolution of volunteer versus professional staff roles over the long term. Looking at functions that can be managed at the national level versus areas where we need to make sure we have a local presence.

Rules – Organizational meeting in early February (I am an ex-officio member)

- Rules would like to submit the part two re-organization again, but open to discussing other ways to do it.
- We will need to submit proposed changes to the FINA masters technical rules this year in anticipation of the 2022 FINA Congress. Changes to the constitution and by-laws were already proposed through USAS in late 2020.

Governance – Organizational meeting in January (I am a member)

- Ideas from Governance are formally submitted as proposed legislation changes from the Board of Directors.
- Continuing to look at volunteer roles, but no specific ideas for legislation at this point.

Long Distance

Not yet contacted.

Elections

- Per Erin Sullivan The Elections committee has lots of work to do to update our EOG to include an entire section on virtual elections. There may well be some changes needed in the rule book to accommodate our suggested changes. We have not figured everything out yet.
- Vice Chair Stephanie Guuzens is also a member of the Elections Committee.

Membership

Not yet contacted

Finance

• I spoke with Guy Davis, who has succeeded Jeanne Ensign as Chair. The committee is focused on ensuring financial stability during Covid at the present time and does not envision any initiatives this year that might generate legislation.

LMSC Development

Not yet contacted

Diversity and Inclusion

Not yet contacted

National Board of Review

• I attended a briefing to discuss a review of the NBR process with some recommendations for changes and improvements. It is not clear that any of these recommended changes will lead to proposed legislation, but I will discuss with the new NBR Chair and study leads to assess.

USA Swimming Rules and Regulations

- I will continue to represent USMS on the USA Swimming Rules and Regulations Committee.
- The USA Swimming R&R Committee usually has a two-day face-to-face meeting in early June. There is no word yet on the status of this meeting.
- I received a notice sent to USA Swimming volunteers on initiatives to update their Governance model in response to requirements of the Amateur Sports Act and USOPC by-laws.

Cross-Committee

 Last year we discussed the possibility of creating a non-binary membership option with inputs from national office, membership, D&I, and rules. General support was there if the IT systems are updated and can handle a third gender registration option. This could be for membership only, not another competition category, and might necessitate a review of transgender guidelines within the Rules Committee for consistency.