

**2009 U.S. Aquatics Sports Convention**  
**Sessions Attended and Items of Interest**

**Report of General Chair**

**Frank Swigon**

- Wednesday, September 16, 2009
  - Rules and Regulations Committee
    - Fina swimwear restrictions to be promulgated by USAS either on October 1, 2009 or January 1, 2010. The key issues involving material, fasteners, and design.
    - The Fina list of acceptable suits may not be all inclusive.
    - Nose clips are not part of the uniform and are allowed.
    - The LSC may not promulgate rules contrary to the technical rules, i.e. part 1 of the rule book. Therefore, any suit rules promulgated by an LSC are void either on October or January 1.
    - Committee will recommend that age group swimmers be allowed to wear modesty/support swimwear.
  - Evening Reception
  
- Thursday, September 17, 2009
  - Officials Committee
    - Reviewed officials on line tracking system, on line testing, and national certification requirements.
    - Reviewed the process for nominating officials to the national evaluators list.
    - Reviewed new disqualification slip. A copy has been provided to the STSI Officials Chair.
    - Reviewed OKI (Our Kids Initiative) and the continuing confluence of the rules by various organizations including the YMCA and National Federation of High Schools.
  - Rules and Regulations Committee-part 2
  - General Chairs Luncheon
    - Presentation by Chicago Olympic Proposal Committee on attempts to bring the 2012 Olympics to Chicago. Decision to be made by IOC on October 2.
  - LSC Age Group Chairs Workshop
    - Pool Open Water Swimming description and uses.
    - Make a Splash Program
  - Southern Zone Meeting
  
- Friday, September 18, 2009
  - LSC Leadership Workshop

- Board of Directors should sign Conflict of Interest form. Obtained a copy of the form from Gulf Swimming and will modify for STSI. The STSI Board of Directors subsequent to the annual meeting will be asked to sign form.
  - LSC General Chairs Meeting
    - Description of LEAP program and reviewed part 1 of program in detail. STSI nearly qualifies for completion of part 1.
  - Southern Zone Meeting
    - The sites for forthcoming Zone meets, including Senior Zone meet were chosen.
    - Gloria Schuldt of North Texas Swimming elected Southern Zone Officials Chair.
  - House of Delegates Meeting
- Saturday September 19, 2009
    - House of Delegates Meeting