

2026 U.S. Masters Swimming – History & Archives Committee

Committee Name:	History & Archives	Session #:	
Committee Chair:	C.J. Rushman	Vice Chair:	n/a
Minutes recorded by:	C.J. Rushman	Date/time of meeting:	February 18 th , 2026 @ 8 pm EST

Motions Passed:

1. none

Number of committee members present: 7	Absent: 1	Number of other delegates present: 0
Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair): Maryanne Barkley (Ozark), Kysa Crusco (New England) Stacey Eicks (Gulf), Hugh Moore (Potomac Valley), Tim Sinnenberg (Adirondack), Sharon Snyder (Metropolitan), Crystie McGrail (Colorado)		
Committee Members Absent: Daniel Paulling (Florida)		

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 8 pm EST. CJ Rushman thanked everyone for attending the meeting. Introductions were made by each of the committee members.

The following agenda items were presented and discussed with the committee.

Past Projects Completed

- In Memoriam - this is no longer a project of the committee
- Relay Top 10 - this project is completed
 - At this point, there isn't sufficient accurate data to keep this open as an ongoing project. Should additional information be brought forward, it can be sent to the Records and Tabulations committee for review and verification.
- All-American Relay Achievement Project - this project is completed
 - A request was made to adjust the database to show these; no further action is needed
- National Record Chronology - this is no longer a project of the committee
 - Should additional information arise, it should be brought to the records and tabulations committee for review and verification
- USMS Rule Book Project - this project is completed
 - Missing rule books are in the capable hands of the national office, and they will manage the next steps
- Physical/ Digital Archives & Records Repository - this project is completed
 - Any relevant materials should be submitted to the national office for archiving and safekeeping until ISHOF has reorganized.

Tasks for the Upcoming Year

2026 Projects

- Updating/ Maintaining Olympian List -
 - This year, the committee will be tasked with reviewing the need to maintain this list and whether it promotes the values and mission of USMS. They will provide a detailed rationale for keeping this as an ongoing project.
 - The committee will set rigorous standards for who should be included on the Olympian list, with clear criteria that demonstrate that the names listed have achievements relative to USMS or swimming as a whole.
 - This year, the committee will be tasked with creating a submission form for the public to fill out to request an addition to the Olympians list. The submission form should outline all relevant criteria to demonstrate how adding this person highlights an achievement of a USMS member.
- USMS Website History Page -

- This is the main priority of the committee this year
- Each member will be assigned 5 years during which to write a narrative history of the organization that includes:
 - Key roles and biographies of those who filled the roles during that time period
 - Interviews and Stories from individuals who round out the atmosphere and activities of the organization during that time period
 - Any related cultural or world issues that impacted the organization during that time period
- One person will be tasked with creating a narrative of the adult swimming landscape and the opportunities for USMS.
- The committee will work together to finalize and craft these Eras of USMS into a format that is easily and enjoyably digestible for all interested in learning about the history of USMS.

- USMS Historian Role
 - The committee will continue to explore potential individuals to fill the role of USMS Historian.
- Future meetings will be held on the second Tuesday of each month, beginning on March 10th

The meeting was adjourned at 8:48 pm EST.
