

## PVS Officials Committee Meeting

August 25, 2013

**Participants:** L. Gerlach, M. Hurley, B. Hall, E. Jester, B. Vincent, J. Neill, M Rubin, T Husson, M Bush, B. Ship, P. Starke-Reed, S. Edwards, D. DiNardo, J. Thompson

**Location:** Convened 25Aug2013 at Camp Springs, MD.

- **Minutes from 12Jun2013**

**Decision** Reviewed minutes. Approved with no changes.

### 2012-2103 Season Recap

**Discussion**

- T. Husson - Season went well. Good comments on Sr/Jr and AG LC Champs
- Over 250K times loaded into SWIM from this past season.
- 97 Sanctioned meets, 422 sessions last season
- Heavy PVS involvement in officiating the Super Sectional meet
- Transition of Officials Chair from J. Neill to T. Husson. Committee wishes to recognize Jack's contribution to officiating in PVS.

### Minimum USA Swimming Standards for Officials

**Discussion**

- J. Neill reported on National Committee's proposal USA Swimming Standards for officiating. Identified on PVS exception from proposed standards: take test before on-deck apprentice for new S&T officials.
- Committee discussed the ramifications (to certification officer and new officials) of changing the requirement to take test before on-deck apprentice.

**Decision**

- Committee consensus that new S&T judges must take and pass on-line test before starting the on-deck apprentice sessions. [Based on later updated minimum USA Swimming minimum standards, the committee changed the policy to say that apprentices must take the test before their final apprentice session]

**Follow-up**

- Future topic to discussion, "What constitutes an on-deck session?"

### 2013-2014 Officials Clinics

**Discussion**

- M. Rubin and S. Edward have scheduled over 20 clinics.

**Follow-up**

- Committee members to review schedule and sign-up as instructors.

### New Referee Candidates

**Discussion**

- Reviewed eligible officials and identified candidates for New Referee.

**Decision**

- Tim will issue invitations to the referee candidates.

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### Championship Meets & Officials Qualifying Meets (OQM)

#### Discussion

- OQM meets planned for this season
  - Tom Dolan Invitational (Lead Evaluator: Jayne Spittler)
  - SC Senior Champs, Lead Evaluator: Jim Sheehan
  - LC Senior Champs, Lead Evaluator: TBD
- Discussed possibility of PVS Junior Olympics for N2 certifications

#### Follow-up

- Tim will apply for OQM status for Tom Dolan Invitational after the meet announcement is issued.

### USA Swimming Officials Workshop

#### Discussion

- USA Swimming allows only one participate from each LSC
  - S. Gordon selected to attend USA Swimming Officials Workshop

#### Follow-up

- Stewart will provide a report to the committee after the workshop.

### Pending USA Swimming Legislation

#### Discussion

- T. Husson reviewed pending proposed changes to USA Swimming legislation. No changes to Technical rules of swimming. ([http://www.pvswim.org/admin/2013\\_USA-S\\_Rules\\_Proposals\\_Packet.pdf](http://www.pvswim.org/admin/2013_USA-S_Rules_Proposals_Packet.pdf)). [Subsequent to meeting received Breaststroke interpretation update from USA Swimming.]

### Officials Committee Structure

#### Discussion

- T. Husson - initiated discussion on restructuring the committee.

#### Follow-up

- Committee to provide feedback to T. Husson.

### • Other Topics

#### Discussion

- Looking for PVS Newsletter editor to replace J. Neill
- Chief Judge Test is being updated.

#### Follow-up

- Bob Vincent has agreed to try taking over the newsletter.

### • Next Meeting

#### Decision

Location TBD in October

Meeting Adjourned at 19:10

Respectfully submitted by

Jim Thompson

Officials Committee Member