

PVS Officials Committee Meeting

August 24, 2014

Participants: E. Jester, S. Edwards, M. Rubin, M. Hurley, J. Schaffer, T. Husson, B. Ship, D. DiNardo, M. Bush, B. Hall, L. Gerlach, J. Thompson
Location: Convened 24Aug2014/17:00 at Camp Springs, MD

- **Minutes from June 19, 2014**

Discussion

Decision Committee approved minutes

Follow-up

- **Recap 2103-2014 Season**

Discussion

- T. Husson acknowledged committee support for the past season:
 - Jim Thompson (Technical Committee)
 - Lynne Gerlach (Certification Officer)
 - Jack Neill - (Officials List)
 - Bob Vincent - (Officials newsletter)
 - Steed Edwards & Mike Rubin (Clinics Coordinators)
 - Barbara Ship - (Officials Shirts)
 - Boots Hall - (Mentor and Evaluator)
- T. Husson - Recapped highlights from the 2013-2104 season.
 - 10% increase in officials: 504 in 2013 to 557 in 2014;
 - 265,584 individual times and 4,227 relay times loaded to SWIMS,
 - 4 new Referees certified, certified 15 Admin Officials last season;
 - Numerous PVS officials participated in meets outside of the LSC including Junior Nationals and Nationals for both Winter and Summer.
 - 33 Officials clinics last year;
 - Revised certification requirements for several positions;
 - sent 3 officials to nationals workshops;
 - Chase Starts used for the first time in 2 Long Course PVS meets and LC Eastern Zone.

Decision

Follow-up

- **Status of new certification requirements and training materials**

Discussion

- T. Husson reported that training material for updated certifications are complete, ready for upcoming season.
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Decision

Follow-up

- **Apprentice Official - procedures**

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Discussion

- T. Husson reviewed new US Swimming Apprentice Official procedures. Clinic instructors should emphasize new procedure. New officials should create a USA-S account with a designated Apprentice status, which is valid for only 60 days. By this time the person needs to register with USA Swimming, complete background check and complete athlete protection training.

Decision

Follow-up

- **Swimposium - University of Maryland, September 27, 2014.**

Discussion

- Introductory session on updates on certification, looking at possibility of simultaneous S&T, Starter, Referee and Admin Officials.
- Officials track will include brief presentation on Paralympics swimming.

Decision

Follow-up

- **Clinic Schedule for the 2014-2015 Season**

Discussion

- Discussed scheduling of officials clinics.

Decision

Follow-up

- **Online Clinics**

Discussion

- M Hurley discussed proposal for on-line clinics. These will be instructor led clinics. Attendees login to view presentation and ask questions. The registration process can be used to collect information. One benefit will be reduced travel time, makes this possible for mid-week clinics.
- Discussed whether on-line clinic for initial or recertification purposes

Decision

- Run trial webinar-based clinic for Stroke & Turn, 7Oct, to gain experience and determine practicality. M. Hurley and D. DiNardo will be instructors.

Follow-up

- **Referee Candidates**

Discussion

- Identified 15 referee candidates.

Decision

Follow-up

- T. Husson to send out invitations to the candidates.

- **Review of evaluator lists**

Discussion

- Committee reviewed list of evaluators. Identified new evaluators.

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Follow-up

- T Husson to update the list.

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- **2014-2015 Officials Qualifying Meets**

Discussion

- Tom Dolan Invitational - December 2014: Evaluators: Steve and Linda Sue Lottes
- PVS Senior SC Champs - March 2015: Evaluator: Gloria Schuldt
- PVS Senior LC Champs - July 2015: Evaluator: Ron Van Pool

Decision

Follow-up

- **USA-S Pending Legislation**

Discussion

- T Husson pointed out the pending legislation at USA-S convention. Link available on PVS website to proposed legislation changes.

Decision

Follow-up

- **Other Topics**

Discussion

- Identified a PVS club who could use help to fill-in Meet Referee role.
- T. Husson described new proposed USA-S meets called "Legends".
- Discussed tchotchkes for upcoming clinics.

Decision

Follow-up

- **Next Meeting**

Decision

Overlee (pending confirmation) on October 15, 2014.

Meeting Adjourned at 19:26

Respectfully submitted by

Jim Thompson

Officials Committee Member