

PVS Officials Committee Meeting
February 22, 2017

Participants: T. Husson, M. Hurley, S. Edwards, L. Gerlach, B. Hall, J. Thompson, M. Rubin, K. Rowell, D. Merkin, E. Jester, D. DiNardo

Location: Convened 22Feb2017/19:00 at Arlington, VA

- **Minutes from January 11, 2017 Meeting**

Decision • Reviewed and approved.

- **Short Course Championship Meets**

Discussion • Staffing – Applications to officiate at the have been coming in for Sr, Jr and JO. , 21 requests for evaluations received to-date for Sr. Champs.

- Evaluators for JOs: R. McMillen, E. Colket, B. Ship.
- Meet Shirts – B. Ship is leading the design of shirts again this year.
- Currently 800 Swimmers entered in the Sr and Jr meets.

- **Long Course Championship Meets**

Discussion • Evaluator for Senior Champs: still pending.

- Still looking for MR, AR for Sr/Jr Champs and AG Champs.

- **Registration/Certification Status**

Discussion • 535 registered and certified officials on the roster.

- Discussed the situation where some officials are not receiving emails from PVS. The email address in the USA Swimming registration database that is used to send out emails is not necessarily the same as the last address that an official uses to log into the Officials Tracking System. The PVS Google Group list consists of official-entered emails, which is completely separate.

Follow-up • A newsletter article will be written to address how to update email addresses.

- Officials running summer officials clinics should notify the PVS Officials Registrar about those clinics and attendance.

- **Officials Stuff**

Discussion • T. Husson provided the current status of items available as tchotchkes.

- **Meet Referee Certification**

Discussion • Discussed proposal for ensuring qualified Meet Referees. It is recognized that an experienced Meet Referee is desired to ensure a smooth running of a fair and equitable competition. Discussions centered on how to balance providing knowledge to new Referees who may serve as Meet Referee and the time commitment required to gain the knowledge.

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- Proposal for developing Meet Referee Certification:
 - Certified Deck Referee,
 - Work 10 sessions over at least 4 meets as a Deck Referee,
 - Apprentice Meet Referee for one meet (at least 3 sessions) including pre-meet planning and post meet responsibilities and
 - Recommendation by the Mentoring Meet Referee to Officials Chair.
- The requirement to start at the beginning of the next short course season.

Decision

- The committee unanimously approved proposal. Tim will take proposal for certified Meet Referees to the PVS Board.

Follow-up

- The committee will develop a list of initial Meet Referees

**• Other
Discussion**

- K. Rowell provided update on Officials recognition program. Custom name badges will be provided based on years of service in 5 year increments.
- The committee discussed possibility of an Officials social. D. Merkin will lead committee to determine feasibility.

• Next Meeting

Decision Overlee on April 19, 2017.

Meeting Adjourned at 21:00

Respectfully submitted by

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Officials Committee Member