

PVS Officials Committee Meeting

January 7, 2016

Participants: T. Husson, D. DiNardio, D. Merkin, B. Ship, B. Hall, J. Neill, K. Rowell, E. Jester, M. Hurley, M. Rubin, J. Thompson, S. Edwards
Location: Convened 07Jan2016/19:00 at Web Meeting

- **Minutes from November 18, 2016**

Decision Approved minutes from the meeting.

- **Review of December 2015 Meets**

Discussion

- December meets ran well. Meets were well staffed. No significant issues noted.
- Turkey Claus Meet broke 10,000 splash count. First time ever in PVS.

- **Registration & Certification Status**

Discussion

- As of 7Jan 496 registered as officials,
- 372 officials qualified for PVS paying registration, 331 has registered.
- Some registration held up due to expired background check or athlete protection training. Contacted officials in question to remind them of the requirements.

- **Clinic Status**

Discussion

- S. Edwards provided update on clinics attendance.
- Clinics for all positions are planned for January 2016.

- **2015 Spring Championship Meets**

Discussion

- No changes on leadership team for Senior, Junior and Junior Olympics from last meeting.
- Change format for Senior and Junior format. Seniors prelims in morning, Junior prelims follows Senior prelims.
- Competition Committee decided not to use OME and not use National Scratch procedure for LC Senior Champs switching to 100% positive check-in.
- T. Husson will be Admin Referee at Sectional meet in Richmond, VA, D. DiNardo Admin Referee at Sectional Meet in Ithica, NY.

- **2016 USA Swimming Open Water Workshop**

Discussion

- First week in April 2016. B. Vincent will be attending from PVS.

- **LSC Officials Chairs Conference Call – 6Jan16**

Discussion

- T. Husson reported on the quarterly calls.
 - Additional information will be coming out from USA Swimming regarding the upcoming changes for timing adjustments.

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- Discussed use of tape. Kinesio tape is not allowed at anytime. Other kind of tape is permissible if approved by Referee.
- Discussed interpretation of freestyle on individual medley and medley relay. T. Husson will send write-up from National Officials Committee on this topic.

• 2016 Futures Meet at UMD

Discussion

- USA Swimming increased number of Futures meets from 3 to 4.
- One of the meets will be held in PVS at University of Maryland, College Park, MD on August 4-7, 2016.
- T. Husson will be the Meet Referee in Austin, TX
- K. Scandary (CO) will be the Meet Referee for the UMD site.

• Budget Items

Discussion

- T. Husson is soliciting input to next year's PVS budget.
- One point of discussion was on reimbursement for participating at National Championship meets.
- D. DiNardio discussed ideas for officials recognition.
- T. Husson discussed proposal for recognizing officials for time in service.

Follow-up

- Committee members should send input to T. Husson by end of January 2016.

• Other

Discussion

- PVS Officials invited to Olympic Trials.: D. Wespasnik, J. Neill, J. Van Nimwegen, T. Rongione, T. Husson.
- U.S. Paralympic Team Trials scheduled for Charlotte, NC at end of June 2016.

• Next Meeting

Decision

Scheduled for Overlee on 23Feb2016/19:00.

Meeting Adjourned at 20:20

Respectfully submitted by
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Officials Committee Member