

PVS Officials Committee Meeting

April 20, 2016

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

Location: Convened April 20, 2016 7:00 pm at Overlee Community Center, Arlington, VA

- **Minutes from February 23, 2016**

Decision Reviewed and Approved Minutes

- **Current Status of PVS Officials**

Discussion

- 561 officials currently on the roster. Increase from the first of the year where the number was under 500 primarily pending completion of the re-certification and/or re-registration process.
- Committee discussed requirements for clubs hosting meets to have sufficient number of club-affiliated officials to receive a sanction.

- **Summary of OQM and SC Championship Meets in March**

Discussion

- Meet shirts were well received. Thank you B. Ship for coordinating the shirts
- Senior Champs was well run. Meet Referee: S. Edwards and Admin Referee: B. Ship.
- PVS Sr Champs 27 OQM evaluations; JOs 33 OQM evaluations, which included 16 new N2 S&T.

- **Long Course Championship Meet**

Discussion

- LC Senior Champs: July 14 to 17, 2016. J. Pfister is the lead evaluator. B. Ship is the Meet Referee. P. Starke-Reed volunteered for Admin Referee.
- LC Junior Meet Referee: J. VanNimwigen
- LC Age Group Champs: Meet Referee: J. Kost.

- **OQM for Next Season**

Discussion

- J. Spitzer will be the Lead Evaluator for NCAP Invitational
- B. Rose will be the Lead Evaluator for 2017 Short Course Senior Champs.

- **Officials Travel Reimbursement**

Discussion

- 21 Received so far this season
- Proposal will be presented at HOD to increase Officials Reimbursement limits. Strong support by Board members. Increase Nationals/Jr. Nationals from \$250 to 600; increase Zone/Sectional 250 to \$400, increase Futures to 250 to \$500.
- Discussed possibility to change requirements for applying for reimbursement.

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- **Clinics**

Discussion

- There is now an initial and recertification training material for Chief Judge. Initial is focused on LSC oriented meets. Recertification is focused on higher-level meets.

Follow-up

- Send summer league S&T clinics to T. Husson for the website.
- T. Husson to schedule another AO Clinic for this season

- **Certification/Advancement Requirements**

Discussion

- Committee proposal for changing advancement/recertification requirements from time in grade to number of sessions worked in the position and other criteria.

Decision

- Committee decided to implement an expanded evaluation form for Chief Judge, Starter and Administrative Official.

Follow-up

- B. Ship will lead subcommittee to draft proposed changes for further discussion with the committee.

- **Recognition**

Discussion

- Discussed ways to recognize advancement to Administrative Official. Stamps (POST, RESEED. CORRECTED) and radio headset at the least to be provided.
- Discussed ways to recognize long serving officials. Some suggestions include listing officials by years of services, name tags with number of years.

Follow-up

- D. DiNardo will work on proposal for name tag suggestion.
- T. Husson will work on AO recognition gifts.

- **Registration/Recertification for 2017**

Discussion

- T. Husson described proposed changes the process for on-line registration and re-registration. We will not use the Team Unify site for 2017.

- **LSC Officials Chairs Conference Call – April 2016**

Discussion

- T. Husson related topics discussed on the call. One topic included draft changes to the N2/N3 certification.
- USA Swimming on-line tests currently off-line for updates for the rule changes.
- 2 Winter Junior Meets again this year in December. Tim will be Admin Ref for the meet in College Station, TX..

- **USA Swimming Clinics**

Discussion

- B. Vincent attended the USA Swimming Open Water Clinic in April. He

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summarized topics covered.

Follow-up

- New USA-S Mentoring Clinic being scheduled, Oct 7-9,
- USA-S Referee Clinic, October 21 to 23
- B. Vincent will create a document summarizing his experiences.
- Bob will also put together some Open Water training material.

• Newsletter

Discussion

- Soliciting articles for newsletter

• Other

Discussion

- Officials should consult with their Tax Advisor to determine what may be deductible.

• Next Meeting

Decision

Web Meeting on June 15, 2016.

Meeting Adjourned at 21:00

Respectfully submitted by
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Officials Committee Member