

PVS Officials Committee Meeting

January 11, 2018

PARTICIPANTS

Rich McMillen, Tim Husson, Pam Starke-Reed, Elizabeth Jester, Jack Neill, Mike Rubin, Morgan Hurley, Dave DiNardo, Dave Merkin, Bob Vincent

LOCATION

Online, 7:00 pm

OFFICIALS CHAIR

- Minutes from October 25, 2017 reviewed and accepted after some modification.

OQMs

- NCAP Invitational was a success as reported by the meet referee Dave Merkin. There were 107 officials and 30+ evaluations. Melissa was such a treasure to work with all the officials and be a mentor to the other evaluators.
- PVS Short Course Championships: Morgan Hurley will be the Meet Referee; Karyn McCannon will be the lead AO, and Kate Johnson will be Team Lead CJ. Mary Jo Swalley will be the lead national evaluator with Boots Hall, Elizabeth Jester, and Pam Starke-Reed assisting with evaluations.
- PVS Junior Olympics (N2): Meet Referee is Jan van Nimwegen; AR and TL CJ are unknown. Barb Ship will be the lead evaluator.
- PVS Long Course Championships: Meet Referee is TBD; Amy Hoppenrath will be the lead national evaluator and Bob Vincent will assist with evaluations.

RECERTIFICATION and REGISTRATION

- It has been a busy few weeks for Registrations and Certification renewals. As of 11 January, we have 451 fully registered and certified officials.
- Still need some verbiage on the certification page that tells officials that they only have to do the re-certification requirements for their highest-level certification.
- Rich sent more targeted e-mails to officials expiring after all meets of the CY had concluded.
- Rich send a reminder to all club officials chairs and meet refs after the New Year to be vigilant about checking OTS for meets in the new CY and officials who might be expired.

OFFICIALS COMMITTEE

- Communications Subcommittee Chair remains vacant. Still recruiting.
- A decision was made to not require session reports from deck and meet referees unless to report an unusual occurrence. Rich will communicate this to the PVS Deck Refs and add some training to the referee clinic presentations on what the minimum numbers of officials are required per the rulebook and PVS best practice guidelines.
- In between official committee meetings, a proposal from the training and certifications subcommittee to create requirements for becoming an LSC evaluator/clinician along with an outline of the processes to apply as such were passed by consensus of the committee. The committee's goal to implement the change with the start of long course season, if not before. Rich will craft the e-mail about this change to the PVS officials after vetting by the committee.

TRAINING SUBCOMMITTEE

- Develop the questions to put on the evaluator google application form.
- Develop an evaluate the evaluator google form with questions.
- Edit the PVS evaluation forms, adding the hyperlink of the evaluate the evaluator form.
- The subcommittee updated Starter materials and needs update them once more with discussion of checking that backstroke swimmers aren't grabbing the forward starting grips for their starting position.
- Tim will upload the most recent training materials to the PVS website.

CLINIC REVIEW

- We are definitely running enough clinics. Numbers at some clinics have decreased over time and there are logical reasons that seems to explain those shifts.
- The demand for online clinics continues to grow, and the last clinic on the schedule will be an online clinic the 25th of February.

CERTIFICATION SUBCOMMITTEE

- Clothing vendor was selected and their website is operational to purchase PVS officials apparel items. A note was sent to all PVS officials announcing this through the PVS google group.
- We currently have a time in service requirement for certification. Is it time to revisit those requirements? Should number of sessions be a requirement?
- Certification subcommittee should annually review certification and recertification requirements.

ADMINISTRATIVE SUBCOMMITTEE

- Tim placed orders for additional tchotchkes.
 - Badge reels
 - Koozies
 - Pens on a rope

- Clipboards
- Headsets
- Admin stamps
- Elizabeth will place an order for 25 more starter bells.

NEXT MEETING

February 28, 2018, 7:00 PM, at Overlee

MEETING CONCLUDED 8:32 PM