

## PVS Officials Committee Meeting

November 19, 2013

**Participants:** P. Starke-Reed, B. Vincent, J. Thompson, M. Bush, B. Ship, J. Neill, S. Edwards, E. Jester, J. Garner, D. Dinardo, M. Hurley, B. Hall  
**Location:** Convened 19Nov2013/19:00, on-line web meeting.

- **Minutes from October 17, 2013 Meeting**

**Discussion** Reviewed and approved minutes from the last meeting.

- **USA Swimming Workshop Report**

**Discussion** Stewart Gordon submitted report from the USA Swimming Officials Workshop held in Phoenix, Az. On October 18-20, 2013.

- **Registration and Certification Status**

**Discussion**

- T. Husson reviewed certification status of PVS officials, sent notifications to all expire at year end.
- Non-athlete registration assumed responsibility by T. Marlin

- **Administrative Official Certification**

**Discussion**

- Held three Admin Official clinics. 1 in Spring, 2 in Fall. 39 attendees in total.
- Certified eight new non-Referee Admin Officials completed certification as of 18Nov.

- **Certification Questions**

**Discussion**

- Several questions on certification policies have surfaced in recent weeks.
- Recent questions
  - *Existing Referees grandfathered in Admin Official. Should new Referee be given that certification?* Suggestion to add 2 sessions to Referee cert to be Timing Judge specific.
  - *Does certification of AO include re-certification at other positions (e.g. S&T)?* Committee consensus is "No." Different skill set.
  - *Does Re-rectification at Starter also include re-cert at Chief Judge and vice versa?* Convene subcommittee to examine this question.
  - *Does taking a Chief Judge clinic count as a S&T re-certification clinic?* Committee consensus is "Yes" CJ clinic counts. S&T re-cert test is still required.
  - *Can an official take a clinic for the next higher-level clinic prior to time-in-grade requirement?* Consensus of committee is current policy is adequate. Someone can take a clinic prior to time-in-grade requirement but must wait for time-in-grade to finish certification at higher level.
  - *Can a person do final check-out if the clinic attendance is more than*

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*a year in the past?* One year is a guideline, not a hard fast limit.

### Follow-up

- M. Hurley & D. Dinardo and E. Jester to study re-cert process for all positions.

### • Clinic Status

#### Discussion

- Two clinics scheduled on
  - 1/19 Starter at MLK, (J Garner, M Bush),
  - 1/26 S&T (M. Hurley). Looking for second instructor.

### • Officials Committee Document Repository

#### Discussion

- T. Husson established a directory for storing officials related directory.

#### Follow-up

- Committee members wishing to store documents contact T. Husson for access information.

### • Training Material Updates

#### Discussion

- ETS Hy-tek (M. Hurley)
- Referee (B. Ship)

#### Follow-up

- T. Husson to review the two updates.

### • Newsletter Articles

#### Discussion

- B. Vincent is look for help with articles for the newsletter.

### • Championship Meet Referees

#### Discussion

- T. Husson still soliciting suggestions for Meet Referee and Admin Referees for upcoming Spring Championship meets.

### • Other

#### Discussion

- Feedback on Web Meeting format. Two members had problems connecting. Most members have positive feedback.
- Minimum officials for Clubs. Policy still in place to fine clubs who fail to maintain a minimum number of officials.

#### Follow-up

- Any suggestions on recruiting new officials can be sent to T. Husson.

### • Next Meeting

#### Decision

Overlee on Tuesday, January 7, 2014.

Meeting Adjourned at 21:00.

Respectfully submitted by  
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Officials Committee Member