**2012 Convention Sessions Reports – Dave Withrow, Officials Chair**

**Open Water Steering Committee** Discussed 2012 Open Water Events, Safety, finances, local, US and International issues and differences with FINA events.

**Officials Committee Meeting / Workshop**: Normal business meeting of National Officials Committee.

**Open Water Development Committee**-Business Meeting: General meeting business and continuation of previous Open Water Discussions.

**Safe Sport Presentation**: Update on actions of USA Swimming’s Safe Sport Committee (formally Athlete Protection), overview of Parents educational course, repeat of much of the same information presented at last year’s session.

**N3 Officiating Clinic** – Mentoring S&T Judges & Chief Judges: Educational session for N3 Evaluators and Officials wanting to be N3 Evaluators for the S&T and CJ positions.

**N3 Officiating Clinic** – Mentoring Deck Referees & Starters: Educational session for N3 Evaluators and Officials wanting to be N3 Evaluators for the Deck Referee & Starter positions.

**N3 Officiating Clinic** – Mentoring Administrative Referees: Educational session for N3 Evaluators and Officials wanting to be N3 Evaluators for the Admin. Referee.

**Burning Issues for Officials**: Open mike session for all attending Officials, excellent dialogue and sharing of ideas/materials. Received copy of training documentation from several LSCs for Administrative Official track.

**Western Zone meetings (2),** non-voting LSC representative

**HOD (2),** voting LSC representative