

Officials Committee Meeting June 9, 2004

Attending: 1. Mike Tchoukaleff - Chairman
2. Branch Ball
3. Terry Harms
4. Dave Huffman
5. George Thompson

Discussed: * Responsibilities/duties of members of the Officials Committee. In addition to technical expertise and a genuine like of swimming and Swimmers it was agreed that **attendance and participation** is greatly appreciated and expected in members. A member will be provisional until he/she demonstrates to the full committee that they have the time and energy necessary for the various evaluations, clinics, assigned positions, and other duties required.

* Identified a pool of officials who might make good future members. The Officials Chair will consider further and offer provisional membership to fully qualified officials that have adequate time to offer to this responsibility. Officials to be identified after offer made and acceptance received.

* Discussed the current practice of assigning lead officials to Ozark Championship meets and the possibility of assigning lead officials to those meets sponsored by teams whose size/resources cause them to be unable to fill these positions from within their clubs. Have begun search to staff referees and starters for upcoming Div I Long Course.

A Tentative schedule was arrived at for certification/recertification in 2004. At present locations for local St. Louis meetings have been left open until individual clubs can be consulted and facilities arranged.

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| Sept 23 | Thursday | 6:30 | |
| Oct. 16 | Saturday | 9:00 | |
| Nov. 9 | Tuesday | 6:30 | |
| Nov. 20 | Saturday | If numbers warrant | Carbondale |
| Dec. 18 | Saturday | If numbers warrant | Cape Gir |
| Dec 21 | Tuesday | 6:30 | |

It was decided that clinic recertification would not be normally carried over into 2005. Clinics/work/tests **due** before JAN 1 will be considered on a case by case basis if

returned late and **may** not be accepted or have extra conditions attached if they are. Officials will be contacted and alerted if it appears they may be deficient by 1/1/05.

An officials meeting will be scheduled early in the fall to bring any provisional members up to speed and to determine if any new rules or practices were introduced at convention that need to be addressed.