



# Officials Committee Meeting Minutes

Monday, June 15, 2015 - 7:00 PM

Conference Call



- I. Call to order and Welcome: 7.07 pm
- II. Attendees: Rick Potter, Michael Harbert, George Geanon, Jacqueline Jugenheimer, Julia Krueger, Cyndy Raatz, Paul Roehr, Nicole Rundahl, Patrick Weisling
- III. Review/Approval of minutes from last meeting: *Approved as submitted*
- IV. Standing items (Only items with an asterisk\* planned for this month's agenda)
  - Officials Training\*—Michael Patton/Paul Roehr/Ben Radloff –
    - *Updating Starter/Referee training materials Cyndy has submitted suggestions; members have not had a chance to review those, members will discuss the suggested changes at a later date.*
    - *AO clinic Wed 17<sup>th</sup> via Skype by Paul.*
    - *After discussion, members agreed to allow AO 2 apprentice sessions at State meets to provide more opportunities to apprentice in prelim/finals meets.*
    - *Chad is waiting to see if there is interest for a stroke and turn official class in the Southeastern region of the state.*
    - *Open water training is offered the day before the Open Water Zone meet.*
    - *New stroke and turn videos are too big to download to the Wisconsin Swimming website, thus only links will be provided to the videos.*
  - OTS Meet Entry – Cyndy Raatz:
  - Observed Swims – Michael Harbert:
  - Officials of the Year Award – Chadd Chatterton:
  - Officials Roster – Ben Radloff:
  - Officials Incentive Gifts\* – **Nicole Rundahl**: *Is trying to coordinate with Pat in order to get more info on Quick Trip Script cards. The issue is the sharing of the LSC's account info to realize a reward return of up to 15 % compared to "just" buying the gas cards. The committee decided to provide the same amount in gift cards as last year (probably USD 30-35). Nicole will double check her records.*
  - LSC Rules Committee – George Geanon, Michael Patton:
  - Policy and Procedure Documents – Rick Potter:
  - Officials Webpage – Rick Potter:
  - Officials Newsletter\* – Julia Krueger: *There has been a lot of e-mail traffic regarding upcoming meets where officials are needed. A draft newsletter was sent to Rick earlier on June 15, to provide one consolidated call for officials. Also, information should be added that interested individuals can come to the open water training even if they cannot work the meet and officials can officiate even if they do not come to the clinic.*

## **V. Open Issues**

- Head CJ for 13 & Over state Championship (Mike Bauerle) – Ben Radloff: *Greg Barta was unavailable. Mike agreed to work as CJ, Ben will help him prepare, but will not be available on Thursday evening. Other committee members will be available.*
- Central Zone Open Water Championship
  - Open Water Officials Clinic

## **VI. New Business**

- LSC Officials Chair Meeting Update/Summary – Michael Harbert
  - *New videos are very good, and worth checking out. USA Swimming might update Starter/Referee training, but not a priority.*
  - *Discussion on how LSCs are similar and different.*
  - *AO is still an issue for LSCs. N2 certification for AOs is a possibility, but where would one do such an evaluation, these duties are often performed by AR at higher level meets. If an AR is on site, not too much to do for AO.*
  - *It is more and more acceptable that if MR does not have deck position then s/he can be AO. AR is often back-up for MR.*
  - *Some updates are coming to OTS. However, the priority is a revision of the USA Swimming site, thereafter OTS will be updated.*

**VII. Confirmed next meeting date/time/location: July 20, 2015, as conference call.**

**VIII. Adjourn of open session at 7:47 pm.**

**IX. Closed Session:** *Opened: 7:47 p.m.*

- *Rick: Motion to close closed session, seconded by Michael.*

**X. Adjourn of closed session: 8.15 pm**