



# Wisconsin Swimming Officials Committee Meeting - Agenda



Monday, May 21, 2013 - 7:00 PM  
UW-Waukesha, Room C158  
Waukesha, WI

**I. Call to order – Rick Potter: 7:10 called to order**

**II. Attendance: Rick Potter, Chair, George Geanon, the May 2013 Maxwell Excellence Award Winning Official, Pat Weisling, Kim Stoll, Chair - Wisconsin Rules Committee, Michael Harbert, Cindy Raatz, Tim McAvoy and Jeanne Drzewiecki, Administrative Vice Chair**

**III. Review/Approval of minutes from last meeting: Minutes accepted as amended.**

## **IV. Standing items**

- a. Officials' Training –Michael Patton/Paul Roehr: **Multiple requests were received from clubs. Monroe, WEST, Lake, North Woods have all requested training sessions for ST and/or SR. Flash Drives are available with training materials. Various dates were discussed and coordinated with the Committee Members.**
- b. OTS Meet Entry – Cindy Raatz: **Listing of the meet referee is required to access the OTS. If the meet referee designee is unable to serve then the meet must be re sanctioned. Cindy will be added to the distribution list for new sanctions.**
- c. Observed Swims – Michael Harbert: **USA SWIMMING requires, at a minimum,that observed swims be observed by two USAS certified ST officials. Approved meets also require two USAS certified ST officials, one on each end of the pool, to insure that technical rules of USA SWIMMING are followed. Wisconsin Bylaw 4.4 may require modification. WIAA officials are being asked to cooperate in time acquisitions to ensure a seamless process. Dave Joyce and Michael are working in this area.**
- d. Officials of the Year Award – Tim McAvoy: **Mark Wong as Starter/Referee of the Year and John Gupton as Stroke/Turn Judge of the Year were unanimous choices for this year's awards.**
- e. Officials' Roster – Ben Radloff: **No report**
- f. Officials' Incentive Gifts – Kim Stoll: **Kim is exploring options.**
- g. Recertification Clinics – Ben Radloff/George Geanon: **There will be no re-certification clinics held this year**
- h. Policy and Procedure Documents – George Geanon: **Work on the Becoming a Starter/Referee document continues**

- i. Officials Webpage – Rick Potter: **Notification of the May 2013 Maxwell Award Winner is prominently featured. The Committee applauded the winner, pictures were taken.**
- j. Officials' Newsletter – Patrick Weisling: **A new issue is planned.**
- k. Treats & Refreshments (May) – **Cindy provided.**

## V. Open issues

- a. Implementation of Administrative Official Certification:
  - i. Subcommittee: **George, Michael Patton, Paul, Cindy and Kim -** Review initial draft training plan from Paul: **USA Guidelines for Minimal Standards for Officials** were reviewed. **Innovative solutions were discussed including one to one training, podcasting, clinics and other modalities. Paul's training instrument was reviewed. A PowerPoint will be developed to accompany it. The Arizona LSC materials will be reviewed. AO officials will be members of the team and wear name tags and uniforms. AO will be listed in meet sanctions. Discussion was held about grandfathering for AO level 1 by contacting the Officials Chair. Everyone considering applying should have experience with administrative functioning of a meet. George will develop a form for posting on the website.**
  - ii. Additional communications: **June Officials' Newsletter**
  - iii. Feedback from National Officials Chair Meeting: **Report deferred.**
- b. Donation to Patty Kramer memorial: **Rick's report was deferred.**

## VI. New business

- a. Nomination and selection of Assigned Officials for 2013 LC State Championships:
  - i. 12 & Under – Meet Referee, Head Chief Judge: **Kim Stoll Meet Referee, Michael Harbert HCJ**
  - ii. 13 & Over – Meet Referee, Admin Ref., Asst Admin Ref, HCJ: **Cindy Raatz-Meet Ref, Michael Patton-Admin Ref, Rick Potter-Asst. Admin Ref, HCJ decision is deferred.**
- b. Concern about the imbalance of officials on deck for the 12 & Under State Meet versus the 13 & Over State Meet: **Concern has been expressed about the large number of officials on deck at certain State Meets where there is a paucity of officials at two pool meets.**

## VI. New business - Continued

- c. “Approved” meets - USA Swimming certified official staffing requirements – Verbal interpretation from Dan McAllen: **Discussed earlier.**

- VII. Confirm next meeting date/time/location: **Monday, June 24, 2013, 7:00 pm, UW-Waukesha, Room C158.**

**VIII. Adjournment:**