



Wisconsin Swimming Officials Committee Meeting - Agenda

Monday, September 23, 2013 - 7:00 PM
UW-Waukesha, Dining Room Conference Room
Waukesha, WI

- I. **Call to order – Rick Potter at 7:11**
- II. **Attendance: Pat Weisling, Tim McAvoy, George Geanon (General Chair), Ben Radloff (Vice Chair), Rick Potter (Chair), Nicole Rundahl, Mike Patton, Michael Harbert, Paul Roehr**
- III. **Review/Approval of minutes from last meeting: Minutes were approved**
- IV. **Standing items**
 - a. **Officials Training –Michael Patton/Paul Roehr/Ben Radloff: Several eastern area clubs are being considered for S/T clinics. Clinics in Fond du Lac, Ashwaubenon and Marinette for S/T. Mike proposed that clubs that wish to host training clinics pre pay for a minimal of 5 students for S/T and 3 for SR. The proposal passed without dissent. The Educational Sub Committee will survey the students about DVD. The Admin Official Training Participant Evaluation Form was reviewed and modified.**
 - b. **OTS Meet Entry – Cindy Raatz: (update provided via email) Meets are loaded that have been posted on Wisconsin Swimming web site for Short Course season. The Committee discussed the listing of Meet Referee and Administrative Officials on sanctions.**
 - c. **Observed Swims – Michael Harbert: Requests are being received for Observed Swims. Michael will follow up with Dave Joyce.**
 - d. **Officials of the Year Award – Tim McAvoy: No report**
 - e. **Officials Roster – Ben Radloff: The updated roster was posted on Wisconsin Swimming web site with AO positions.**
 - f. **Officials Incentive Gifts – Kim Stoll: (absent) The Committee discussed options including meet passes for incentives.**
 - g. **Recertification Clinics – Ben Radloff: George suggested notifying our neighboring LSC about our Recertification Clinic if we bring in a national keynote speaker.**
 - h. **Policy and Procedure Documents – Rick Potter: Rick will assume the P&P responsibility. The Meet Marshal policy has been reviewed and modified Age Group Senior Committee and will go to Rules next.**
 - i. **Officials Webpage – Rick Potter: The Wisconsin Swimming web site has been updated and was reviewed. The Committee members acknowledged the excellent work that Rick has done in updating the Officials Pages.**

- j. Officials Newsletter – Patrick Weisling: **Patrick reported on the latest version of the Newsletter: new rules changes, change to APT, and renewal of USA and Wisconsin membership.**
- k. Treats & Refreshments – Michael in October

V. Open issues

- a. Increasing Officials Participation in LSC Championship Meets: **Both State Meets had sufficient officials but could have used more officials. Typically, the Short Course 12 & Under staffing is abundant. The Committee discussed an application process for overstaffed meets. The Committee desires to increase the staffing of the lesser staffed meets.**
- b. Having a mentor or OQM for LSC Championship Meets: **The Committee discussed OQM for 13&Over Short Course for S/T and CJ and recertification for SR and SR certification as available. The proposal passed without dissent. The Committee discussed OQM for 13&Over Long Course for S/T and CJ and recertification for SR and SR certification as available. The proposal passed without dissent. The Committee recognized that Nike Challenge will continue as a OQM**
- c. Officials Chair topic for HOD meetings: **The Officials Chair will present to the HOD educational items of general interest. Two hand touch rule change and false start were offered as possibilities.**
- d. New committee members: **There are a total of ten members plus two ex-officio members with voice and vote. New additions to the Committee were discussed.**

VI. New business

- a. USAS Convention Report – Rick/George: **Rick's report was accepted. Encourage parents and swimmers to take their athlete protection tests. The Committee suggests that officials take the concussion training module.**
 - i. Legislation Adopted: **Reviewed.**
 - ii. Technical Rule Changes/Additions: **The FINA rule changes were reviewed.**
 - iii. Administrative Official/Referee/Meet Referee/Deck Referee Definitions and Roles: **Rick has been assigned to clarifying the MR and DR roles in the Rule Book.**
 - iv. Other: **LSC Board of Review has been eliminated in favor of the Zone Board of Review. Open Water Zone Championships are coming to RecPlex June 7 and 8.**

- b.** Interpretation of 4-hour Rule from USAS Rules & Regs Committee: **The new variations of the 4 hour Rule for age group swimmers were reviewed.**
- c.** Proposed Survey Monkey Questions: **Committee members will forward questions for Rick to consider polling the officials about training materials, Officials of the Year, officiating at the State Championships and officiating at away meets.**
- d.** Confirm next meeting date/time/location: **October 28 at 7:00 PM – UW-Waukesha – Public Dining Room Meeting Room**

VII. Adjournment of Open Session: **Adjourned 9:45**

VIII. Closed Session (if needed) **None**