

WSI OFFICIALS COMMITTEE

(Sunday, April 10, 2016 7:30 p.m.)

Attendance: Clint Beaver, Cathy Fisher, Teri Oursler; Phippen Robison, John Galindo **Absent:** Chuck Schmitt, Cindy O'Dwyer, Logan Anderson

Agenda approved.

Minutes approved. But, we need to mention that Teri was incorrect about the approval of the rule for requiring an official to run a meet.

Clint national meeting conference call report:

1. This happened Wed April 6. Clint was late and missed part of it. They talked about quality control for stroke and turn clinics and the national committee is going to create a standardized power point to be used for clinics. This should be done in the next couple of weeks.

Old business:

1. John: Stroke and turn clinic was held at Winter State meet in Gillette. John and Ward held the clinic in the far room of the basement. Over 30 people attended the clinic. Ward led the clinic, taking everything off the website. Ward did a great job answering questions and he has 8 new stroke and turn officials coming on board. John said he did a great job and the audience was interested. Ward entered all of these people in the USA Swimming database if they were registered. Clint's wife came up with the idea of using the secret tomb and it was nice and quiet.
2. Winter State - Clint: Started with a meet jury appeal. There was a swimmer who did not get entered based on a time attained at a Cheyenne East last chance meet. Jamie failed to enter the swimmer and as soon as he realized it, he called the meet director. Clint said we needed to uphold the rule, the meet jury over-ruled and the swimmer swam.
 - a. Scratch procedure - will do it later in the meeting.
 - b. DQ's were rampant. We are not getting the job done during the season and we are getting swimmers who should not have gotten there.
 - c. John had to call a quick coach's meeting on the first day. The older swimmers were getting out of the pool and he stopped the meet and gave them a fair warning to all of the coaches that we

would be DQ'ing the swimmers who popped out. A few were DQ'd.

New Business:

1. Scratch Rule: Clint: Winter state had a ton of requests for scratches. It is not a WSI rule, but it is part of our template. Cathy did not do much enforcement. Teri suggests talking about it at HOD. Scott from Laramie had at least 13 scratches and he was frustrated with his parents.
2. Use of inhalers: Cathy - Cathy and Clint were behind the blocks at 4A state. A swimmer got an inhaler from his dad about 5 seconds before the raise. Per Dr. Fisher, optimally the use of inhaler for exercise induced asthma is done at 30 minutes before exercise and after the race. Cathy asked USA Swimming for clarification. Their answer was unhelpful: 1. We are guests at the meet. 2. We do not know the medical condition of the athlete. 3. We do not know what the medication given was actually given; aspirin or skittles, or ?. USADA guidelines are followed, which follows WADA, and there is a list of prohibited drugs on the WADA website. Inhaled steroids are accepted with the caveat that you cannot 1600 ppm in the last 24 hours. Cathy looked at the inhaler and it was dosed at 200 ppm and it was the only time he was noted using the inhaler. Long story short, the use of inhalers at USA meets is fine.
3. John - custom ordered shirts. He is still investigating. He has had a lot of people ask about them as it sets our officials apart, especially at some of the other meets. White shirt with gold stitching, the bronco.
4. Clint: to stay certified, you have to take a test or a clinic every 2 years and you have to work 6 sessions annually. Clint and Cathy admitted that they are not on top of that. Clint has a spreadsheet to track their qualifications. Teri thought there was a report from OTS that tells us this and she will look. Cathy has not looked to see if old meets have been entered. What will be the consequence of not following the rule?
5. Teri has 5 names tags for which she needs addresses to mail them. Clint is going to get her addresses.

Next conference call July 10, 2016; 7:30 pm.

Minutes by: Teri Ann Oursler, DVM