



Officials HoD Meeting, April 29, 2018

Robert Fry, 05/08/18

Meeting started 11:00

Roll Call

Committee: Travis Albang, Jeff Wilkins, Julie Slater, Robert Fry

Others: John Van Meter, Curt Oppel, Kirstin Oppel, Kerry Barnes, Mike Repko, Jen Flatte', Andrea Kelley, Jen Matthews, Marie Koenigsfeld, Cam Naylor, Phil Barnes, Janna Carter, Jo-Smith Brizard, Kimberly Gleason

Adoption of minutes

As this was an officials' information meeting, not a committee meeting, this item was tabled to the next committee meeting

Unfinished (old) Business

Closed per the meeting agenda

New Business

Officials Membership

- Currently stands at 232, down 38 from 270 in 2017; HOWEVER:
- Most of BSSC is not registered for the season yet.
- Numbers listed for years prior to 2018 are for season end.
- For National certs, it was commented that opportunity for Admin evaluation limited. Can we add an OQM for Admin (probably max 2 at a meet)? This would need to be a prelim/finals meet. The CRAA Long Course Kickoff was suggested.

Championship Meets

- Summer Sectionals at CRWC are the same weekend as Silvers at Mercer Park, both in Iowa City.
- Signup for Sectionals should be up soon.
- Zones signup is already up.

Swimposium

- The Swimposium Committee has come up with a schedule.
- Hoping to get David Coddington for main speaker
- Lunch provided for athletes, not adults (Safe Sport covered during athletes' lunch)
- Big topics
 - Nutrition, searching for licensed dietician to speak
 - Dry land training
- October 6, listed on ISI calendar
- Location – YMCA Wellmark Center in Des Moines
- Signup to go up Memorial weekend (\$10 charge)
- Need to encourage signup!!! (e.g. mention at meet stroke briefings!)

Checking Coach Credentials

- 6 credentials required for coach to be current
 - USA Swimming Membership
 - Level 2 Background check
 - Athlete Protection Training
 - CPR/AED

- STSC (Safety training for swim coaches)
- Educational requirements
- Non-credentialed coach on deck has insurance and Safe Sport implications
- Credential lists for ISI coaches are sent out Thursday preceding a meet to the MR.
- Credentials can show up green or yellow (within 30 days of exp).
- The list updates in real time, so last minute checks are possible.
- One AO commented that the list of current Iowa LSC coaches has been helpful.

Outdoor Meets

- No specific rule for lightning
- ISI follows NLSI guidelines
 - Pool is kept clear for a minimum 30minutes following last thunder or lightning.
 - Follow facility policy if they require a longer time than 30 mins.

10 & U Tech Suit Ban

- Example suits shown at meeting for both bonded and stitched suits
- Report observation of suit through chain of communication to MR
- MR will handle any needed DQs
- No hand raise is required. MR will handle this as an admin DQ
- Notice of tech suite ban is currently included in all meet invites

Update to ISI Policies and Procedures, Section G

- Draft created by Phil Barnes
- Lists mission of officials, and how officials committee achieves the mission
- Lists roles and responsibilities of committee members
- Part of ongoing full rewrite of ISI Policies and Procedures
- Don't want to include specifics that are the responsibility of the committee to determine and enforce
- Topic to be discussed in more depth at next officials committee meeting

Any Other Business

- Concussion protocol training required by Iowa legislation for youth athletics
 - Applies to all USA Swimming officials
 - Committee needs to develop protocol
 - Ohio currently requires passing online training class before allowing official on deck
 - Red Cross, CDC offer online classes?
- When does new Safe Sport legislation apply to officials?
 - At meets for sure
 - Use common sense outside of meets
- Andrea Kelley heading to AZ for Open Water (OW) training. Andrea, and Phil and Kerry Barnes are working the OW Nationals meet
 - Need to hold classes to certify OW officials before we can host meets
 - ISI has a goal to host an OW meet within the next year
- The Officials Committee was requested to take action to address issues raised in the recent survey.
 - Not right to limit opportunities for officials
 - Suggestion made to publicize need for mentors where people wish to apprentice. This followed the comment that many meets have limited resources to apprentice higher positions.
 - Should meets be required to accept all officials who sign up. Committee consensus is they should not be. Meets must have flexibility to staff appropriately.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:18