Officials Chair Report to IASI 2022 Fall House of Delegates Meeting

The current members of the Iowa Swimming Officials Committee are:

ATHLETE REPS: Hannah Cousins and Nick Schmidt

OFFICIALS CHAIR Phil Barnes

OFFICIALS VICE CHAIR Kirstin Oppel

SECRETARY Stacey Voynov

EAST ZONE REP Robert Fry

WEST ZONE REP Jason Kemp

S & T OFFICIALS REP Jeff Tjebkes

The committee meets every two months on or about the third Wednesday of that month. Meeting notices are posted on the IASI Officials website.

The long course season ended with 175 active officials of the approximately 200 registered. We now have N3 evaluators for all of the assigned positions (Chief Judge -2 N3 initial, 1 N3 final; Starter -1 N3 initial, Deck Referee -1 N3 final, Admin Referee -1 N3 initial).

The change to SWIMS 3.0 has resulted in the Officials Tracking System going offline until it's updated – the current estimate is October 3rd for meet tracking, early December for on-line testing, and early next year for LSC certifications. We downloaded the entire Iowa Officials histories as of August 30th and the test histories to the same date. We are using these as the basis for tracking progress for certifications. There is a google form system for testing which is accessible from the IASI Officials Website which will be used for online tests until the system is back online on USA Swimming.

We have started conducting virtual clinics (as of this week) for the short course season – the first set of classes had 26 attendees for the introduction/overview clinic, 22 attendees for the stroke and tun clinic and 6 attendees for the admin clinic. We currently have 4 people signed up for the starter and deck referee clinics scheduled for this coming week.

The officials committee will be working with the admin division on having a clearly stated procedure for "clearing" adults on deck. The database to be accessed can be found at:

https://uscenterforsafesport.org/response-and-resolution/centralized-disciplinary-database/

Meet sign-ups are being posted on the IASI Officials website.

Phil Barnes