

Utah Swimming Officials Committee Meeting

Tuesday, December 3rd, 2024, at 7:30pm

IN ATTENDANCE: Julie Floyd (chair), Adelaide G., Erik Harris, Lori Onsaе, Carri Oviatt, Tiffanie P., Theresa Werner

EXCUSED: Connie Christensen, Izabel G., Barry Hayden

November 2024 minutes approved and meeting called to order by the committee chair.

Utah Swimming Officials Committee Membership (10 members):

Chair: Julie Floyd	Team Liaison: Lori Onsaе
Vice Chair: Carri Oviatt	Training: Connie Christensen
Advancement: Erik Harris	Athlete Rep: Adelaide G
Communication: Theresa Werner	Athlete Rep: Izabel G.
Mentoring and Retention: Barry Hayden	Athlete Rep: Tiffanie P.
Open Water: Julie Floyd	

Officials Certifications and Advancements

- The following advancements and certifications were discussed:
 - We had a few new stroke and turn certifications in the month of November.
- Utah Officials List posted on Utah Swimming website will be updated later this week after the new certifications and advancements are added (last updated online in November 2024).
 - Those with expired certifications are not included on the online officials list until they have all their certifications current.

New Committee Business

- Updated policy on reimbursement criteria for unattached officials for Utah Swimming with criteria reviewed and approved by the committee.
 - Julie will submit this to the board for review and we will need to update our Policies and Procedures.
- Reviewed on the USA Swimmer membership page how to upgrade your membership for trainees who want to become officials.
 - Once they are registered as an apprentice or official meet refs will be able to find them for their meet reports and Julie will be able to see them in OTS.
- Officials page on Utah Swimming website has been updated and restructured by Julie and Carri as of last month.

Championship Meets

- Short Course Senior State December 5-7, 2024, in St. George, Utah.
 - Meet Referee is Julie Floyd.
 - Admin Referee is Carri Oviatt (also doing entries as AR).
 - Meet Director is Dani Caldwell.
- UTAGS Short Course State March 6-8, 2025 (not yet sanctioned).
 - MR Referee is Jarid Gray.
 - AR being solicited at this time.
 - Meet Director is Stephenie Glissmeyer.
- Senior LC State, July 10-12, 2025.

- UTAGS LC State, July 17-19, 2025.
- Utah Beehive Finale, July 25-26, 2025.

National Certifications and Opportunities

- Policy 4.2 on officials' reimbursements for high level meets previously reviewed. We are planning to add some criteria for who should be considered for funding (those seeking national certification, those working the full meet, those attending certain meet for the first time).
 - Our committee will do the final write up for travel reimbursement for officials working at higher level meets with new policy for 2025.

Officials Training and Clinics

- We hosted our last in person CJ, Starter, AO, and Referee Clinics at Swimposium in September 2024.
- The new USA Swimming AO training and test have been online as of October 1, 2024.
- The new USA Swimming Starter training and test also has been online as of October 1, 2024.
- Need to update our website to add our new LSC CJ training and certification process.
- Information for junior stroke and turn officials is on the website; will use the same training document we have posted for stroke and turn officials.
- All new officials need to take the new Foundations Course as well that is online.
- Reminder that anyone wanting to advance to Referee must become a certified AO prior to starting Referee training.

Theresa has set up upcoming meetings as a recurring Zoom meeting (closed meeting on the 1st Tuesday of the month).

Next meeting will be Tuesday January 7th 2025 at 7:30pm via zoom.