

Utah Swimming Officials Committee Meeting

Tuesday June 6th 2023 at 7:30pm

IN ATTENDANCE: Alicia Simon (chair), Nancy Barton, Connie Christensen, Julie Floyd, Adelaide G., Lori Onsaе, Carri Oviatt, Theresa Werner, Susan Winter, Mike Wynn

EXCUSED: Maddalyn G., Izabel G.

April 2023 minutes approved via email after last meeting and meeting called to order by the committee chair.

May 2023 was cancelled due to many members being unavailable.

Utah Swimming Officials Committee Membership

Chair: Alicia Simon	Communication: Theresa Werner
Vice Chair: Carri Oviatt	Mentoring and Retention: Mike Wynn
Advancement: Susan Winter	Open Water: Julie Floyd
Athlete Rep: Adelaide G	Safety: Nancy Barton
Athlete Rep: Izabel G.	Team Liaison: Lori Onsaе
Athlete Rep: TBR	Training: Connie Christensen

Officials Certifications and Advancements

- The following advancements and certifications were discussed tonight:
 - Four were reviewed tonight.
- We discussed these at the last meeting (in April):
 - Two were discussed.
- Officials list posted on Utah Swimming will be updated later this week after the new certifications and advancements are added (last updated 05/13/2023).
- OTS has new categories: certified, experienced and mentor (no longer can put your own as R1, R2, R3). We will need await full updates before changing our officials lists and policies with the new categories.

New Committee Business

- We again discussed potential candidates for committee chair as Alicia will not be eligible to run again; her term expires October 2023, and have some potential nominations.
- We again discussed potential new committee members, as we would like to get someone from one of the northern teams. Alicia will reach out to potential candidates.
- Our updated officials' policy change was approved at the April UTSI Board Meeting.
 - Will plan to send the policy to all new referees with their training, and we will also send to all Utah referees since it is a new policy.
- Maddalyn would like to come off the committee; will reach out the athlete committee for a replacement.

Upcoming Championship Meets

- Long Course State Championships Age Group July 13-15, 2023, at Kearns.
 - Barry is MR, Carri is AR, and Jarid is meet director.
 - Jarid will need to come to Alicia's house to get the officials items for the meet.
- Long Course State Championships Seniors July 20-22, 2023, at Kearns.
 - Julie is MR, Mike and Jenn are co-ARs, and Allen Jones is meet director.

- Our invited evaluators had to cancel unfortunately; and most are not available at short notice.
- Our Utah evaluators: Carri, Cathy, Connie, and Trent could possibly this; Julie and Mike will not have time since they are MR and AR respectively.
 - Will see if we can train Barry, Lori, Nancy to be an evaluator; Carri will train them.
 - Carri sent file to Alicia so she can apply to make this an OQM.
- Julie will discuss MR logistics with Susan (last senior state meet referee).
- Alicia will order radios (from Oregon) and have them shipped to Carri's house to bring to the meet. Alicia will see if we can keep them for the following week for Senior State.
- Short Course Senior State Nov 30 to Dec 2, 2023, in St. George.
 - This meet has been moved up two months.

National Certifications and Opportunities

- Nancy attended for our LSC at the national meeting in April 2023.
- Nancy (PSC) is now a nationally certified CJ.

Officials Training and Clinics

- Most recent trainings were concluded in May 2023, which will be the last ones for this LC season:
 - AO training (Theresa and Carri) 04/12/2023 Wednesday 6:30pm via zoom.
 - S&T officials training (Connie and Carri) 04/13/2023 Thursday 6:30pm via zoom.
 - Starter training (Connie and Carri) 05/11/2023 Thursday 6:00pm via zoom.
 - New Referee training (Connie and Carri) 05/11/2023 Thursday 7:00pm via zoom.
 - Referee Refresher training (Connie and Carri) 05/15/2023 Monday 7:00pm via zoom.
- We continue to have set months for officials' trainings, and plan to do them at least quarterly; will continue to do them virtually to allow those from across the state to attend.
 - Planned months of offering training clinics: August/September, October/November, January, and April/May.

Mentoring

- Goals: to get more of our senior officials trained as mentors and utilize our mentors and officials to help recruit more officials for Utah Swimming and more Utah officials working national meet decks to gain experience.
 - We have discussed having a mentoring clinic prior to state meets next year and consider having AG group be a self-mentoring meet.

Upcoming and/or ongoing agenda items

- Up to date on our LEAP tasks per Alicia.

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

Next meeting Wednesday July 5th 2023 at 7:30pm via zoom (date change due to holiday).