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# **Metropolitan Swimming Officials' Committee Minutes**

May 7, 2025 / Virtual

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Jennifer Bancroft, Chair, called the May 7, 2025, Officials' Committee Meeting to order at 6:36pm CST with the following members in attendance:

## **PRESENT**

Jennifer Bancroft, Allen Wone, Andrew Kass, Ava St. Thomas, Ron Sommer,

## **ABSENT**

Ann Fosteris, Darryl Strabuk, Dom Boccio, Tyler Gallub, Ryan Wagner, Wilhelmina Dwyer,

The consent agenda was presented with the following items and approved unanimously without discussion.

A-Agenda, February 5, 2025, minutes

### Official Chair

Ms. Bancroft reported that the committee agreed to move forward with an LSC Chief Judge certification. The committee will work on creating a CJ clinic that will be ready for the start of the short course season in September.

Ms Bancroft stated that she was receiving feedback from the Zoom platform, had no new business to discuss, and moved to committee member reports.

#### **Admin Vice Chair**

**Excused** 

# **Athlete Representatives**

Excused

### **Communication Coordinator**

Ms. Bancroft stated there was nothing new regarding communications.

### **Education Coordinator**

Ms. St. Thomas informed the committee that the Mentor program launched, and she had received positive feedback on the program. Experienced officials have been signing up for the program. The mentor/mentee pairing process will begin end of May/beginning of June. Metro continues to have positive growth in the recruitment and training of new officials.



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### **HV North Coordinator**

Mr. Sommer reported that he was also having issues with feedback on the Zoom platform and he would circle back with Chris Sommer about the mentorship pin.

### **HV South Coordinator**

Mr. Kass commented that he would be covering a meet for Mr. Sommer at Lehman College on the weekend of May 16-18. Mr. Kass also reported difficulty with feedback on Zoom.

### **Manhattan Coordinator**

Excused

# **Nassau Coordinator**

Excused

### **Suffolk Coordinator**

Mr. Wone reported that his club has been very successful in recruiting dry side officials. Mr. Wone also reported difficulty with feedback with Zoom.

## **Unfinished Business**

There was no unfinished business.

# **New Business**

No new business

# **ADJOURN**

Due to Zoom malfunctioning, Ms. St. Thomas made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded.

## **APPROVED**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:55pm CST.

Respectfully submitted, /s/ Jennifer Bancroft
Officials Chair

