2013 MT Swimming Officials Clinic and Meeting November 23, 2013 Rocky Mountain College, Billings, MT

Those present included Tami Halfpop, Paige Legare, Ruth Boese, Phil Dolan, Aaron Mook, Vickie Murphy, Randy Vook, Merle Gunderson, George Graham, Jim Cherewatenko, Sheri Leys, Rosanne Flann, Cindy Upchurch, Richard Allen, Duane Luterbach, Susan Huckeby, Dan Eakin, and Heather Erickson.

The group discussed the new administrative official's position. The group reviewed the duties of the administrative official and reviewed the correct procedures to adjust times in Meet Manager. The use of the timing console and meet manager at the meet were discussed. The group then had hands on experience in operating the timing console using a demo meet. The group then had hands on experience in adjusting the times from the demo meet in meet manager. The group then reviewed the operating procedures and reports available in Meet Manager.

The new changes to the USA Swimming rules were discussed. Further discussion of several other swimming rules also took place.

Merle led the discussion of the rule changes for high school swimming.

The group discussed recruitment of new officials. This year there have been several meets that had few officials. Discussion was held on how to encourage officials to serve at away meets. The group also discussed the implications of not having enough officials at meets.

Nominations were accepted for the Mark Hallgrimson Memorial Award. Nominated were Darla Harmon, Kris Hall and Sid Harder. In a tie vote, the award was given to Darla and Kris.

Nominations were accepted for the Excellence in Officiating award. Nominated were Jim Cherewatenko and (together) Duane Luterbach and Susan Huckeby. The award was given to Duane and Susan.

Thanks were expressed to Rosanne for lunch, Richard for assisting with the clinic set up and arranging for the meeting room and to Merle for his help with the timing console and computer training and for the high school rules presentation.