

SES Officials Committee Minutes

Sunday, 09 October, 2022

Present: Mary Anne Petruska, Gary Heapy, Mary Franklin, Tom Schumann, Donna Williamson, David Hudson, Walter Smalley, Elliott Peigon, Tiffany Myrick, Tara Todd joined later

Meet called to order at 5:00p

Minutes from 10 July meeting were approved

Tom discussed proposed revision to the minimum standards to clear up wording for MR requirement. Intention is a minimum of six sessions over two timed finals meets to be approved as MR-Q. Tom to send suggested language to Mary Anne Mary Franklin motioned, Walter seconded, Motion Approved

OTS section on USA website is currently non-functional. No ability to add meets or check officials qualifications. Donna mentioned that they were experiencing significant problems with new system and little was known as to when it would be functional for our use.

Discussed Gary's tracking sheet and database. Gary suggests that other regions use similar racking sheet for their regional meets, clinics, etc. Keep information in that form for until we can add into the new OTS.

Mary Anne reported that some tests are now available as a Google form, we should individually hold onto tests that our officials send to us. It is not expected that we will have to enter this into OTS once it works, it hopefully will be a task for the individual official.

All persons must register new with USA. Members registering thru a team must get a code from the team registrar, 'Unattached' persons must get the code from Brian Haddad.

Referee Workshop – now scheduled for 19-20 April, 2023 in Denver. Mary Anne will check with Randy Garcia and James Carpenter to see if they can make the new dates. Laura DeMotte and Teresa Underwood are next in line if either Randy or James cannot make the workshop.

Radios; LSC has approved funding for new radios. David and Walter will be the committee to investigate which radios should be purchased.

Proposed Officials Upgrades;

Gary requested that Jim Works be upgraded to MR-Q;

Donna requested that Teresa Underwood be upgraded to MR-Q after completion of a November meet;

Donna requested that Mandy Johnson be upgraded to DR

All were approved.

Policy and Procedures.

It is currently required for a person to be MR-EX to serve on Officials Committee. New policy is a MR-Q may be elected with the understanding that they become a MR-EX within 2 years.

Elected member of the committee may be removed with support of SES Chair and 2/3 majority of committee members.

Discussed how to advertise OQMs and encourage officials participation in these meets with aim to increase members with national certifications

Discussed process of how committee members are able to update certifications of officials in their region and other administrative responsibilities. Discussed various methods of tracking sessions worked by apprentices and how to

Discussed the selection of committee chair and possible changes needed to current procedure. Currently the chair is elected for a 2 year term and may be re-elected for one additional 2 year term. Some felt there was possible conflict with the 3 year term for committee members. After discussion it was agreed that no change is currently needed.

Adjourned at 6:02pm

Tom Schumann