

CONNECTICUT SWIMMING

Officials Committee

November 8, 2023 7:00 PM

Zoom

AGENDA

Vision Statement: Connecticut Swimming...better life through swimming.

Mission Statement: Connecticut Swimming promotes the pursuit of excellence in swimming and in life through competition and education.

Resolution to Convene the Officials Committee Meeting – 7:10pm Meeting start

Roll Call- Margaret Sargent, Dylan Lee, Luis Tejeda, Lisa Whitaker, Lucy Boisoineau, Joe Guenther, Gretchen Cahill, Yolanda Jahan, Walt Carroll, Adriana and Rebekka Palmer

Approval of Agenda

-Motion to accept: Luis. Second: Lisa

Adoption of Minutes of October 4, 2023

-Motion to accept: Luis. Second: Gretchen

Welcome/Announcements/Officials Chair's Report

- **Clinics**
 - CJ- 9 people are signed up
 - Continuing - since September:
 - 12 new ST trainees
 - 3 new SR trainees
 - 4 new AO trainees
 - 4 new DR trainees
 - 1 new MR trainee
 - Advancements:
 - 1 new MR, SR, AO & 4 new ST
- **Instructor Training**
 - 2 officials scheduled to do their S&T Clinic Instructor training and be ready to run clinics by mid-December.
- Parent Log In vs USA Swimming Membership confusion- they need to request a registration link from their team.

Reports of Committee Members:

- **Secretary**
- **Recruitment & Retention-** Joe shared that a new brochure was developed
- **Clinic Organizer/Official Training Coordinator-**Gretchen and Dylan indicated there is an additional S&T on 11/16 and MR clinic on 12/7
- **Web Site Administrator & LSC Policy Liaison-** Luis shared changes to the high school rules and the FAQs sections of the website is still under construction
- **OTS Coordinator-**Lisa indicated that there was nothing new to report
- **Athlete Members-** Lucy reported that the high school meets are going well

Old Business

- **Meet Referee for Seniors** - Walt Carroll has accepted. Now we need an AMR - Walt suggests:
- **Regionals as Championship Requirement**
 - As of 11/8/23, we have no word from NOC on new requirements, so we are in a holding pattern with no changes to our current requirements.

New Business

- **APT Expiration Dates-** Extend for a full year for 2024
- **Name tags** - people are asking. Shall we do a sign up and ask people to fill out a form if they missed getting one? Decision to get everyone a new name tag
- **Seniors**
 - Run as OQM – discussion
 - Motion to accept: Luis. Second: Joe
 - Use only local evaluators (can cover all N2, N3 ST & N3 CJ with local people.)
 - Walt will be on the call to discuss
- **Seniors**
 - Google form for sign-up - this is just a trial

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSf_YTqGn50qzXlvkm3uDQJxjaNeA9O9c_2cqAi_SZK0B1A25A/viewform?usp=sf_link
- **Reimbursement Policy**
 - Currently must work 12 championship sessions in calendar year
 - Currently allowed three meets per calendar year
 - Suggested: require fewer championship sessions, add regular sessions at multiple clubs (to spread the knowledge gained to more officials)
 - 4 Championship sessions + 12 regular sessions at a minimum of 4 different clubs
 - Work sessions will be calculated on the previous 12 months.
-Motion to accept: Dylan. Second: Lisa

- BOD approved that Officials travel assistance will match Athlete travel assistance. Numbers are below.

For future thought:

- **Clinics** - recertification, do we support or oppose being able to attend a virtual clinic offered by another LSC?
 - This came up when an official had a family health issue that prevented attendance at a recert clinic.
 - Our current policy does not prohibit

Discussion/Public Comment

Adjournment- Motion to accept: Gretchen. Second: Lisa

Eastern Zone LC Senior Zone Champs \$300

Zone Spring Sectionals \$300

Zone Summer Sectionals \$300

Futures \$500

Pro Swim Series \$750 per meet

Winter JR Nationals \$750

Winter SR Nationals (US Open) \$750

Winter Paralympic Nationals \$750

Open Water JR National Champs \$750

Open Water National Championships \$750

18/U Spring Cup \$500

Summer JR Nationals \$750

Summer SR Nationals/ National Select Meet/ US Open \$750

Summer Paralympic Nationals \$750

Olympic Trials \$1100

Paralympic Trials \$1100