



PACIFIC SWIMMING COMMITTEE REPORT

To be submitted to Debbi Tucker (secretary@pacswim.org) the Sunday prior to the next BOD meeting

Committee: Officials

Liaison to the Board: Michael Davis

Date of Last Meeting: October 6, 2017

Members Present: Official's Committee Members

Date of Next Meeting: Spring 2018

Action Items:

Creating an "Official's News Letter" similar to USA Swimming's in where upcoming events, meets, and information is noted is now underway and I will post this next month. This newsletter would be emailed to all of Pacific Swimming's Officials as well as posted on the website. I will be working with Diana and Cindy regarding the posting to the website. I will also be reviewing and updating all information on the Pacific Swimming's "Official's" page on the website. The Official's Committee will also be creating a page for "responsibilities" for the various positions as well as protocols for certain situations.

One of the first items to be noted will be the amount of warm-down time for athletes when the last event of the day is a distance event. After speaking with numerous Coaches, my proposal for warm-down times after the last event of the day to be published and given to all Meet Referees: 10 minutes minimum for all events including the 500 yard Free. 15 minutes for an 800M or 1000Y event and 20 minutes for a 1500M or 1650Y. This would be the minimum offered. If all of the Athletes have exited the pool sooner than the stated time, the pool can be closed. Meet Referees shall work with the Facilities management regarding Life Guards, pulling pool covers, etc. to communicate the expectations.

Announcements:

Jeanette Soe will be the Meet Referee at the 2018 Western Zone CA/NV Summer Sectional Meet in July along with Michael Davis as the Head Starter. Michael Davis will be the Co-Meet Referee for the 2018 Western Senior Zone Championship Meet in August.

Debbi Tucker, Susi Jackson and Jim Morefield have been accepted to work at the Pro Series Event in Arizona. Congratulations to all of these Officials. Pacific Swimming Officiating is being recognized at the USAS Level!

Notes/ Other:

There has been frustration discussed regarding "positive Check-in" at Senior Meets. This came up again at the Senior Circuit / Senior 2 Meet this past weekend. An informal poll at the Coaches meeting on Sunday showed that a majority of Senior Coaches would like to have all Senior Trials and Finals meets go back to the "scratch Rule" where an athlete not wanting to participate in Finals would "scratch" out of finals. We are working on putting together a questionnaire that would be sent to all Senior Team Coaches. With this information, we will be making a recommendation to the Board for all Senior Meets to go to a Scratch Book format.

A survey was sent out to the Senior Coaches to inquire about which system they would prefer in regards to a "positive check-in" or a "Scratch" system in regards to Finals. Also, another informal poll was presented at the SCSC Senior Meet in January. A Large majority of Senior Coaches (I do not know of any who want the "positive" model) would like to go back to the "Scratch" protocols as per USAS. In terms of Officials, this would decrease the time involved in athletes wanting to participate in finals by having to "positive" check-in. This would help the athletes (other LSC's do not do this) to not have to go to the Admin. to "sign in" for Finals. The Senior Coach from SCSC, Allison Beebe, will be presenting the motion to amend Section 5, Senior Competition in Rules and Regulations.