

**PACIFIC SWIMMING COMMITTEE REPORT**

To be submitted to Debbi Tucker ([secretary@pacswim.org](mailto:mlin@pacswim.org)) the Sunday prior to the next BOD meeting

**Committee: Officials**

**Liaison to the Board: Michael Davis**

**Date of Last Meeting: October 8, 2016**

**Members Present:**

Leo Lin Holly Taifer Mike Tramack Debbi Tucker Peggy Ramirez Jennifer McKennan \_\_ Valerie Rudd Nan McKenna Michael Davis

**Date of Next Meeting: TBD**

**Action Items Completed: Official’s Clinic 2016! Over 300 attendees! Finalized revamping the Evaluation criteria for all positions. Have finalized the Certification and Advancement Criteria.**

**Revise LSC Official Evaluation Form for all of the Official’s positions. Started to update the Advancement Criteria for all Official’s positions. As an Official’s Committee, we are looking into ways on how to promote the volunteerism of Officiating. We will also be reaching out to the Teams for help in this recruitment, both Coaches and Team Membership. We have over 450 Officials currently working in our LSC at this time, and the numbers are increasing through the work of the Zone Official’s Chairs.**

**Action Items In-Progress / Pending: All Zones to have their Zone Official’s Clinics as well as Mini Clinics through next year. Also, continue to encourage our Officials to work outside of our LSC for additional opportunities to experience how other LSC’s officiate. Work on certifying Open Water Officials. At Convention, a minimum requirement for Open Water Officials was passed. Open water Officials will need to take, and pass the on-line test.**

**There will be more requirements next year in terms of Certifications**

**Announcements: Convention was informative, and enjoyable. Safe Sport has become an important and vital part of USA Swimming. We had a class in the Official’s Clinic for Safe Sport with Elizabeth Hoendervoogt from USA Swimming presenting.**

**Questions for the Board / Larger Group: How is Open Water Swimming viewed by the other Committees as we are getting requests for Officials to sanction these meets? Any ideas on recruiting Open Water Swimming Officials?**

**Notes/ Other: The Official’s Committee will continue our efforts to always learn, mentor and work with the coaches to make our LSC Officials some of the best in USA Swimming. I would like to attend the Coaches’ Clinic in 2017 to see how we can help in the training of Pacific Swimming’s Athletes**