PVS Officials Committee Meeting Minutes November 10, 2021

Participants: Rich McMillen, Kelly Rowell, Scott Witkin, Barb Ship, Erika Livingston, Tom Allison, Paul Jampole, Courtney Johnston, Jorge Zamora

Location: Online convened at 7:03 pm

Minutes from September 22, 2021

Decision Minutes approved

Subcommittee Reports

Training, Mentoring and Evaluation subcommittee - Elizabeth Jester

- Fall clinics were well attended with 198 individuals attending for initial certification and 90 for recertification Scott Witkin and Erika Livingston
- Clinic material is being updated with the new PVS logo

Certification subcommittee - Barb Ship

- Process for recertification of former officials for the position of Stroke and Turn
 - Lapse less than 6 months:
 - PVS Initial or Recert S&T Clinic
 - USA Swimming Recert test minimum grade 85%
 - Fulfill any outstanding requirements (e.g. insufficient sessions in the two or three years of most recent active certification) up to 2 under the "observation" of the meet referee. If all other requirements were met, then the official may be recertified after fulfilling the clinic and test.
 - Lapse more than 6 months but less than 3 years:
 - PVS Initial or Recert S&T Clinic
 - USA Swimming Initial or recert S&T test minimum grade 85%
 - Fulfill any outstanding requirements (e.g. insufficient sessions in the two or three years of most recent active certification) minimum of 1 session up to a maximum of 5 under the "observation" of the meet referee.
 - Lapse more than 3 years:
 - Complete PVS Initial Certification Requirements (which includes an evaluation)
 - Any official who believes that he/she should be able to recertify with fewer requirements because of level of participation prior to lapse can email the official's chair for a modification.
- Motion from committee: Accept the proposal from the committee as the procedure for elapsed certifications
- Motion passed by oral confirmation

Communications subcommittee - Courtney Johnston

• Coordinate sending the communication survey out to all PVS officials

Administrative subcommittee - Kelly Rowell

• 388 officials registered and certified as of November 11

Old Business

Number of sessions for PVS reimbursement of USA Swimming membership for certified officials - Kelly Rowell

Discussion

- The number of officials with 10+ sessions in 2021 is below the typical year
- The number of available sessions has greatly increase, while the time of the sessions has decreased
- In past PVS has paid for about 60% of the official population with 10+ sessions, the 60% threshold is about 6 sessions for 2021
- Meets are short of officials, does the number of sessions drive more sign-ups

Motion

- Motion: Recommend that the PVS Board of Directors approve reimbursement for officials completing 6+ sessions in 2021
- Motion: Postpone decision until November 17 with information from the November Open, differences in geographic location, and length of certification.
- Motion passed by oral confirmation

New Business

Evaluation pre-approval process - Barb Ship

Discussion

- The current process is potentially delaying evaluations, due to session and meet requirements
- Refer to the Certification Subcommittee to review if changes are needed

Meeting schedule change - Kelly Rowell

Discussion

Reschedule the June 1 meeting to June 2

Closed session

• Discussion about PVS applications for evaluators and clinicians

Next meeting: November 17, 2021 for postponed motion

Regular meeting: January 19, 2022

Concluded: 9:33 pm