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OC SCAF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES
Via Video Conference
March 2, 2025

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Diana LaMar, President
Robert Mitchell, Vice President
CJ Wanser, Secretary/Treasurer
Joyce Phelps, Appointed Member at Large
John Perez, Member at Large – Training Chair
Jeff Berry, Past President
Larry Brennan, Appointed Member at Large, Diving Training Chair

GUESTS PRESENT

Mark Despars, OC SCAF Assignor
John Montrella, OC SCAF Community College Liaison

CALL TO ORDER

President, Diana LaMar called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. PST. A quorum was established to conduct business.

APPROVE MINUTES FROM 12/23/2024

Motion by Joyce, second by Jeff to approve the minutes from 12/23/2024. Passed 7/0.

AGENDA ITEMS

1. *Self-Assigning Process* – Discussion regarding the new procedure that was implemented. Recommendations for 2026
 - Don't start the assigning process prior to 2/1/2026. Schools are late with sending schedules, and this will help with creating training dates.
 - No more than 10 meets in the first round.
 - AD's and coaches need assistance with ensuring they input the proper type of meet into the system.
 - Turning back meets is problematic as it blocks the entire day. More training on this with officials when they are making assignments.
 - Block Prelims and Finals and dive meets from the self-selecting process.
 - Multiple day meets need to be assigned with names of Mark and Karen.
 - When new dates become available and pushed out, Mark to wait 24 hours before granting approval. Want to ensure that officials with fewer meets have first opportunity.
2. *Reviewing of OC SCAF Training* - The use of Intersquad meets worked well. Discussion if second meet should be with electronic equipment or manual. Which provides the new official with the best experience. Some admins don't know how to print the high school report at the end and only print a team score. **Robert offered to push out a notification as to how to do this.** Suggestion that Linda may be able to

conduct a training for 1st and 2nd year officials about the difference working with electronic equipment vs manual. **Diana will follow up with BIG SCAF.**

3. USA Observed Meets – BIG SCAF and CIF approved a new policy to allow USA officials to work as a second official and/or to assist with league meets provided they have taken the high school test (or modified high school test) and signed the CIF Code of Ethics. SCAF officials must be the lead official and vet all calls made. **Linda is working to get the test in Quia.**
4. Reimbursement to OC SCAF - Mary Jo confirmed this will be on the next BIG SCAF agenda - reimbursement of \$239.23 to OC SCAF from Big SCAF for the costs of mailing and postage for the 2023 and 2024 seasons.
5. League Assignments – Diana asked for clarification as to how league assignments are determined. It goes by seniority and if USA certified. Two things to take into consideration. Requests from coaches try to be honored
6. Compensation by Schools for late meet starts. Discussion if officials should be compensated for late starts due to late busses, senior recognitions, admin issues, etc. Currently nothing in the CIF rule book. Need to go on a case-by case basis. **Diana and/or Jeff will see where this is going via legislation.** Could tie in with environmental concerns mentioned by water polo.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Dive Meets – Larry suggested that we push out the dates of the dive meets to current officials who may want to come and observe and learn. **Mark will work with Larry on this.**
2. Mentoring Program - John Montrella proposed implementing a mentoring program to assign new officials. Water Polo has an excellent program that is supported by an increase in dues. **Robert offered to lead a mentoring committee and will get input from Jeff, John M., and Joyce.** Progress to be discussed at next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

No date scheduled for next meeting.