



To: BOD/HOD of OKSi

Date: September 02, 2025

From: Craig Hanson, OKSi Officials Chair

Re: 2024-2025 Status of the officials

Our Mission Statement is:

To provide and develop the appropriate resources, programs, and training to effectively create highly proficient Swim Officials.

Committee Members include:

Craig Hanson, chair; Tracey Garrett; Marnie Kern; Katrina Blevins and Athlete Reps including: Sawyer Wright-Goff and Ava Carlson need new Athlete reps. See Craig Hanson.

Duties of the Committee include:

- Training of Officials-Marnie Kern
- Recruitment and Retention of Officials- Katrina Blevins started in Spring 2025.
 - The committee thanks John Comfort for his efforts.
- Certification Standards of Officials-Tracey Garrett

Highlights:

- The David Michael von Hartitzsch Service Award Winner for 2025 is Josh Taylor from Bartlesville.
- The USA swimming Officials Excellence Award Winner for September 2024 was Anita Walker. She is the second OKS member to win, second to Hank Enterline.
- Regular meetings held as possible to address issues and plan for changes to the officials process.
- Reviewed the PP to adjust the Officials Travel Reimbursement.
- Established a championship meet protocol to provide Shirts to the officials that supported the swimmers.
- OQM meets with evaluations for: Spring SCY 14&u State Championships, Spring SCY Spring Sr State Championships, and Summer LCM Championships. 2026 Spring SCY 14&O will be an OQM with an N3 Evaluator, Teri White.

- Continued Discussions and Hot Topics via Virtual means. The Starter and Admin combined test and clinic started in October 2024. Deck ref started in spring of 2025. This means the only official clinics are the CJ and MR clinics.
- Officials Tracking System, OTS, has been in a state of transition. But, during the year the changes slowed to bug fixes and improvements.

Meets:

- Breakdown of meets for the LSC.

Meets Held	10/1/2021 – 9/30/2022	10/1/2022 – 9/30/2023	10/1/2023 -9/30/2024	10/1/2024 -9/30/2025
OQM Meets	4	4	3	3
Time Trials	8	10	13	10
Observed	6	6	6	6
Duals/Intra-squad	14	16	15	15
Open	15			
Invitational	7	23	22	27
Championships	6	7	6	5
Total	60	66	65	66

Training:

- There have been 18 Discussions/Hot Topics held via Google Meets web conference to keep providing knowledge opportunities. These have been popular with others from LSC's in different zones.
- USA swimming moved to a universal approach to LSC training and certifications requirements in February 2024. The positions have changed to DR, AO, SR, CJ, and ST. AR is a role for a referee at this point. MR is also a role not a position. Clinics will be consistent and combined with a test through the education tab from the USAS Education Dashboard. This has been implemented with the S&T position. The SR and AO positions will be moving that way in the Fall 2024. DR will be migrated in Spring 2025. The CJ and MR roles continue to have Clinics included.
- A new program focuses on training and retention for the LSC is in the early phases of implementation. If a club runs a focused clinic/test presentation and pays for the BGC and Registration, and the officials support the club and continues then the LSC will reimburse the club for the fees. Retention is aided by continuing to pay registration yearly and BGC every other year.
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Recruiting and Retention:

- Officials by Club:

Club	OTS	Expired	Good
ACE	0	0	0
AESC	5	2	3
BAC	5	0	5
BSC	5	1	4
BVSC	30	9	21
GASC	0	0	0
GCSC	2	0	2
JTSC	22	3	19
KMS	13	0	13
LIFE	1	0	1
PSST	0	0	0
SAC	1	0	1
SCION	1	0	1
SSC	13	3	10
ST	4	0	4
TAC	0	0	0
UN	18	1	17
Vortex	0	0	0
Total	120	19	101

- There are some unidentified individuals that will not be continuing. This will be a focus for the beginning of SC season to train the ones continuing and updating the records for those retiring.

Certification: Reporting was updated in SWIMS 3.0 during the year

- 3 OQM meets were held in the LSC.

Evaluations		
10/1/2024	to	9/30/2025
N2	3	
N2 recert	2	
N3	2	
N3 initial	1	
N3 final	1	
N3 recert	5	
total	14	
# of people	7	

- o Five were completed at the 3 LSC meets.

- Testing Results

Testing	AO	AR	DR	STR	S&T	NCAA
Certification	12	0	11	15	20	2
Recertification	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	12	0	11	15	20	0

- Current LSC certifications

S&T	CJ	STR	DR	AO	AR	MR
89	40	39	28	33	5	0