



## PACIFIC SWIMMING COMMITTEE REPORT

To be submitted to Debbi Tucker ([secretary@pacswim.org](mailto: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 "still in the works": **Still in the planning stage**

Creating an "Official's News Letter", similar to USA Swimming's in where upcoming events, meets, information is noted. This newsletter would be emailed to all of Pacific Swimming's Officials as well as posted on the website. Review and update 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.

### Action Items Completed:

The 2017 LSC Official's Clinic was successful. We brought in 3 Officials from out of our LSC to be the Presenters for the Deck Referee class, the Starter's class and the Administrative Referee class. They were Dan McAllen, Mary Jo Swalley and Mark Brown respectively. All were well received. The Official's Committee also gave out it's awards for the year, presenting a "Best New Official" and "Most Valuable" Official for each of the 5 Zones. The Greatest honor for me was to present the inaugural George Cleveland Award. This Award was presented to an Official that best exemplified George's commitment to the sport of swimming, his continued mentorship of all Officials, new and old, his continued work at all levels of Meets in the LSC, and his overall good natured personality that he brought to meets, board meetings and Saturday Sushi Nights! The two winners of the Award at this year's Official's Clinic were Clint Benton and Leo Lin. The Official's Committee hopes that both Clint and Leo are around for many more years to come.

### Announcements:

Our Athlete Rep. was able to join us for our Official's committee meeting on the Friday evening before the Clinic. She was able to give valuable comments from the Athlete's side. We will be notifying her of the future Official's Committee meetings and look forward to her insight.

### 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.