

US Sailing Judges Committee
Conference Call
Aug 4, 2015 - 2000 hrs.

Meeting Minutes

In attendance:

Steve Wrigley- Chair, John Mooney- Area B, Sarah Ashton Area- D,
Doc Sullivan -Area E, John Siegel -Area G, Wayne Balsiger- Area L,
Bruce Martinson -Area K, A quorum was present.

1. Judges Manual 2017
 - John Siegel to review overall direction and put together a small manual team.
 - We will poll the judge corps for input on what is useful and not useful in the current manual and ask for areas that are needed.
 - Examples Video conference hearing, on the field of play decision,
2. JCAM Status
 - The JCAM development is the JC's top priority for the balance of 2015.
 - Some chapters have been submitted by JC members and other have lagged.
3. International Judge application and procedures
 - This item was not discussed in any detail. Will carry over to our next call.
 - The JC and our judge corps should work to identify and assist those seeking higher certification levels through feedback on current level of judging and assistance where possible to gain experience.
4. Online Testing update.
 - Confirmation that any candidate that does not pass the online testing either for Advanced Judge or Club Judge will have a full debrief by their seminar instructor or their RAJ. This will be done through video conferencing.
 - All such tests will be reviewed by the Testing review panel prior to the debrief with the candidate and then a final review will be undertaken after the debrief with the candidate.
 - This review panel is composed of Chair of the JC Steve Wrigley, Chair of JETTS, Joe Krolak and Program lead for the Club Judge Program Bruce Martinson. All on the panel are International Judges.

5. Emeritus Process and Vetting

- Confirmation that the Emeritus Process that was discussed and used by the JC will be the process in the future.
- The JC will work with the RAD to insure that an application and award process are in place for the Judges Corp. This process will also be placed on the judges website.
- Final disposition for all documents is late September 15.

6. Certification Vetting Session

a). Judge and National Judge applications

- One application for National judge was discussed and considered.
- The JC voted and has asked that additional information be sought by the RAJ for that application as more information was needed to make a decision.

7. Other Business

- A short discussion was had regarding our current requirements for the level of National Judge. It was felt our requirements for this the highest level of a judge in the United States should be of a higher standard than that what exists today. It is requested that this should be reviewed in detail by the JC during the next call
There have been instances where references have been sent to the wrong persons on the JC. The RAD will be working with the JC to rectify this problem.

Respectfully submitted
Steve Wrigley, Chair
US Sailing Judges Committee
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