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2025-2026 Officials Committee Report

Unfortunately, due to busy and conflicting schedules the committee was not able to meet in person this year. Moving forward, this will need to be addressed as additional supports are needed to truly move things forward in Manitoba.

Despite the lack of meetings, there has still been some good work done!

Actions/Accomplishments:

- Athletics Canada – National Working Group
 - Updated Athletics in Canada Officiating Policy
 - Updated Athletics in Canada Officials Pathway
 - Updated Guidelines for Minimum Numbers of Officials at various levels of competition (indoor, outdoor, local, provincial, national etc.)
- Manitoba hosted the U Sports Championships, which provided another quality opportunity and saw some strong out-of-province support.
Looking ahead: Manitoba will be hosting, 2027 U Sport Championships and the 2028 CanWest Championships.
 - This means we will have some quality local opportunities for development, training and evaluations.
- Officials' (and coaches) appreciation gathering was once again hosted prior to the AM annual awards banquet in November.
- Welcome and volunteer orientation evening hosted in conjunction with the both the AM Spring Open and the Bison Brown and Gold intrasquad competition.
- 4 evaluations were completed during 2025-2026 seasons
 - 1 Level 4 upgrade
 - 3 Level 3 upgrades
- 2 officiating clinics were held
 - Level 3 Umpire clinic
 - Level 3 Photo Timing clinic

Looking ahead:

- 2 upgrade applications to be completed by end of 2026
 - 1 level 3
 - 1 level 5
- Likely need to host a Throws clinic and/or Horizontal Jumps clinic
- Have received request for some MB officials to attend Legion National Championships in August of 2026 – currently waiting on confirmations.



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Recruitment Strategies:

- Serious recruitment must occur soon, otherwise high-quality competition hosting will become unsustainable
- Will need to use the updated Officiating pathway and minimum standards guidelines to help communicate the need to the membership.

Summary Notes:

- We recognize there is a lot of work to be done, but we have some of the most dedicated officials in the COUNTRY.
- Recruiting new officials is an extremely high priority, but given the point above, we must also ensure that our current officials are better supported at events