

## USAG Committee Meeting Minutes - Dec. 27, 2017 - 6:30pm

### Attendees Present:

Judy Prestiagacomo, Marian Dykes, Sheila Ragle, Gwyned Bius, Drew Davis, Brad McLaren, Stacey Harris, Michelle Pomerantz, Gerson Ramirez, Becky Oppenheimer and Kim Joye

### Attendees Not Present:

Mandy Hadley

**Financial Report:** Michelle Pomerantz reported that the state account currently has a balance of \$102,199.31

**Regional Meeting Report:** Michelle Pomerantz shared with the committee the location and dates of the training camps and regional championships for the 2018-2019 season. The region will be increasing the fee for coaches to attend regional training camps. The hope is that more coaches will be encouraged to volunteer to work at the training camps instead of just attending with their athletes. We were also given the dates for the 2019 training camps with bids currently being accepted:

July 19-21, 2019 - Level 6/7/8 Training Camp  
Sept. 6-8 or Sept. 13-15, 2019 - National Training Camp  
Oct. 18-20, 2019 - Level 8/9/10 Training Camp

If any gyms have foreign athletes competing for them, they need to contact Michelle Pomerantz regarding the procedures which need to be followed.

There was discussion about the judges testing which will occur in the summer and fall of 2018. For the National Judges Testing, in addition to the testing on the level 10 rules, they will also be tested on the changes to the Level 7 vault which will go into effect in fall 2018.

Our State Clinic will be held at Roswell on Saturday, July 28<sup>th</sup>. There was discussion about making the clinic "free" this year with the following motion:

Motion - Sheila Ragle, 2<sup>nd</sup> - Stacey Harris

The first 5 members registered for each club will be free, any additional registrants will be \$10 each, and registration for judges will be free.

Motion - Judy Prestiagacomo, 2<sup>nd</sup> - Gerson Ramirez

The NAWGJ will continue to be the booking agent for Georgia USAG.

Motion - Stacey Harris, 2<sup>nd</sup> - Gerson Ramirez

The fall season will only have 1 state meet with all levels combined on the first weekend of December. Additionally, we will keep a fall state meet for Xcel Bronze and Silver, but will drop Xcel Gold. Also, we will retain the Team Finals for USA 3 and USA 4.

Motion - Drew Davis, 2<sup>nd</sup> - Gwyned Bius

The Judges Cup will be awarded exclusive rights to the weekend before Thanksgiving. No other meets may be added to the calendar on this weekend.

Motion - Sheila Ragle, 2<sup>nd</sup> - Judy Prestiagacomo

GA-USAG will continue to pay the entry fee to regionals for Level 9/10 athletes who qualify at the state meet. Petitioned athletes will not have their entry fee paid by GA-USAG.

Motion - Marian Dykes, 2<sup>nd</sup> - Judy Prestiagacomo

GA-USAG will pay the regional entry fee for state team members at levels 6, 7 and 8.

Motion - Gerson Ramirez, 2<sup>nd</sup> - Brad McLaren

GA-USAG will pay the regional entry fee for the state team members at Xcel Silver, Gold, Platinum and Diamond.

Motion - Becky Oppenheimer, 2<sup>nd</sup> - Gerson Ramirez

The state meet dates for the 2018-2019 are as follows, and the corresponding entry deadline and qualifying dates:

Fall State Meet - Nov. 30 - Dec. 2, 2018

Entry Deadline - Nov. 12, 2018

Qualifying Deadline - Nov. 19, 2018

Level 6/9/10 State Meet - March 15-17, 2019

Entry Deadline - Feb. 25, 2019

Qualifying Deadline - March 4, 2019

Level 7/8 State Meet - March 29-31, 2019

Entry Deadline - March 11, 2019

Qualifying Deadline - March 18, 2019

Xcel State Meet - April 12-14, 2019

Entry Deadline - March 25, 2019

Qualifying Deadline - April 1, 2019

Spring Compulsory State Meet - April 26-28, 2019

Entry Deadline - April 8, 2019

Qualifying Deadline - April 15, 2019

There was only 1 applicant to attend the W300 coaches course, Deshaun Holden from Top Notch. He will be reimbursed his registration fee after attending the course, and will be asked to teach a session at the state clinic.

Michelle Pomerantz introduced the NBC Sports Engine which is being used as a web domain by USAG. It will probably be mandated at the state level in the future, and they have contacted Michelle about moving our state website to their domain. We reviewed the look of the website, and decided that Michelle will talk to them about the cost, as it is much more expensive than our current website hosting. The quoted cost was \$595 per year, and an additional \$60 per month.

Motion - Gerson Ramirez, 2<sup>nd</sup> - Stacey Harris

North Metro Gymnastics will be reimbursed for the cost of facility rental, security and staff and chairs and tables for the fall level 4/5/Xcel state meet. This is a total of \$3570. (This was decided after reviewing the financial report for the meet as the number of entries was significantly lower than in previous years.)

In discussing apparel, it was decided that we will provide the same apparel as last year. There was additional discussion about making a “state” USAG shirt available for coaches to purchase since we are no longer providing state shirts for regionals except for state team coaches. Several people mentioned that they would like a state shirt to wear for clinics and camps as well.

There was discussion about the Preseason Optional Clinic, and what we want to do with it moving forward. The clinic was “free” this year, and the sessions were full, but only a few teams were participating. There was discussion about whether we are servicing our coaches and athletes in the best way, and if we still have the same goals for the clinic. There was also some discussion about providing some type of clinic for the Xcel athletes and coaches. It was decided that the committee members will think about this, discuss it with their peers and revisit the subject at our next meeting.

Next Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 13, 2018 at 6:30pm. Location is TBD.