

Men's Program Committee Conference Call Minutes

January 24, 2005

Conference call began at 8:05 a.m. Pacific by Chair Yoichi Tomita

I. Roll Call

Members Present:

Yoichi Tomita, MPC Chair & Vice Chair for Men
Steve Butcher, MPC Secretary & Jr. Coaches Rep.
George Beckstead, FIG Rep. (absent)
Kurt Golder, Sr. Coaches Rep.
Miles Avery, Sr. Coaches Rep.
Bill Foster, Jr. Coaches Rep.
Jay Thornton, Athlete Rep.
John Roethlisberger, Athlete Rep.

II. 2005 Budget

Ron Galimore proposed modifications to the 2005 Men's Program budget in order for it to be in balance with what was approved by the Finance Committee and the Board of Directors. These modifications included an increase in the entry fees for athletes and coaches attending the Future Stars National Championships and Coaches Workshop. Ron also made other recommendations to decrease spending from the original budget that was submitted. All of the changes were endorsed by the Men's Program Committee.

III. Senior National Team Selection Criteria to Winter Cup Challenge

Ron Brant reviewed the criteria for the selection of Senior National Team members that has been used in the past.

The MPC will use the following criteria to select members onto the Senior National Team at the conclusion of the [2005 Winter Cup Challenge](#):

Six athletes will be selected by the Men's Program Committee and placed on the Senior National Team at the conclusion of the 2005 Winter Cup Challenge. These positions could be awarded to an all-around gymnast, a multiple event competitor, a specialist, or a petitioned athlete that the MPC believes has a chance to compete and win medals internationally.

Motion to approve both alternates from the 2004 Olympic Team as Sr. National Team Members through the 2005 Visa Championships.

Motion: Yoichi Tomita
Motion: Kurt Golder
PASSED: Unanimously

IV. Winter Cup Challenge Format

There will be no change to the Individual Event format that was used in 2004 and the judges will be encouraged to use .05 deductions to help avoid ties throughout the competition.

Motion to use the average of three judges scores at the 2005 Winter Cup Challenge to obtain the final score & the following tie breaking procedures:

1. Highest start value
2. Lowest B panel score
3. Average of two lowest B panel scores

Motion: Steve Butcher
Second: Kurt Golder
PASSED: Unanimously

The 2004 Olympic Team has been invited to the 2005 Winter Cup Challenge to be recognized at the beginning of the Individual Event Finals competition on Saturday.

V. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 8:50 a/m/ Pacific

Moton: Yoichi Tomita
Second: Steve Butcher
PASSED: Unanimously

*Next two MPC Meetings will take place February 4 & 5, in Las Vegas from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.
Closed meetings will also be conducted after the competition each night to discuss National Team selection.*
Respectfully submitted by Steve Butcher, MPC Secretary