

Jr. Olympic Program Committee Meeting

Westin Hotel, Indianapolis, Ind.
August 12, 2005

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

I. Roll Call

Region 1	Jody Hurlburt
Region 2	Joyce Chaplin
Region 3	Perryne Thompson (for Beth Halloran)
Region 4	Suzi DiTullio
Region 5	Nancy Martin
Region 6	Marya Fenandez
Judges Rep.	Tyana Marlowe
Coaches Rep.	Ivanka Ivakirova
Guest:	
RTC Rep	Nadine Davies

II. Compulsory / Optional program

Committee members had discussion and clarification regarding the new compulsory/optional program for the 2005-06 Season.

Proposal / Passed:

The Junior Olympic Championships will now include Regional Teams representing Levels 6, 7 and 8. Groups will be eliminated from this event to allow for the inclusion of the Level 6 Regional Team.

(Beginner, Intermediate & Advanced Groups will conduct their own Championship event upon approval of the RPC.)

Proposal / Passed:

The Level 5/6 Championships will now become the Level 4/5 Championships in conjunction with the USRGCA Classics event.

Proposal / Passed:

The Regional Teams attending the Jr. Olympic Championships will consist of 24 members- 8 athletes from each level.

- **The top 6 athletes in rank order from each level at the Regional Championship meet will be named to the "Regional Team".**
- **The 7th and 8th ranked athletes from each level will be named as Alternates.**
- **All athletes compete for individual awards.**
- **The "Regional Team" score will be tallied using the top four event scores from each level.**
- **Any non-citizen ranking among the top 6 places at the Regional Championships will be invited to compete at the Jr. Olympic Championships.**

Proposal / Passed:

The Awards for State and Regional Competitions are as follows:

- **Levels 4-6 will receive Achievement Ribbons for all Events.**
- **Levels 4-6 will receive All-Around Medals, (1st -12th place).**
- **State and Regional Championships will award AA awards by age division.**
- **Non-citizens will receive duplicate awards.**
- **Guests/Out of State/Out of Region will receive comparable awards (50% up to 12th place).**
- **Athletes advancing to the various Championships should receive a recognition award for qualifying to their Regional Team.**
- **Age Groups may be subdivided to the benefit of the athletes, allowing for more age groups and more awards.**

III. Junior Olympic Age Groups

Child 6-11 yrs., Junior 12-15 yrs. and Senior 16 yrs. and older.

Examples of subdivisions:

- Child A/ 6-8 yrs, Child B/ 9-11 yrs.
- Child A/ 6-7 yrs., Child B/ 8-9 yrs., Child C/ 10-11 yrs.
- Junior A/ 12-13 yrs., Junior B/ 14-15 yrs.

Proposal/Passed:

Entry fees for the 2005-2006 Season are as follows,

Level 3	\$35	or \$15 per event
Level 4	\$45	or \$15 per event
Level 5	\$55	
Level 6	\$65	
Level 7/8	\$85	
Level 9/10	\$95	

Proposal/Passed:

Regarding "Attire" for competitions.

Level 3/4 athletes must compete in one leotard for the entire competition.

Level 5-8 athletes may compete in individual leotards.

Clarification from the RTC:

- The JOPC would like to request a handout explaining the following:

Balances -	Level 3-6	Require one Technical Movement
Flexibilities -	Level 3-6	Require the equipment to be in motion throughout.
- The JOPC agrees to the equipment specifications below:

Child size	ages 11 years and under
Junior size	ages 12-15 years
Senior size	ages 16 and older

IV. Housekeeping Items

- Regional Chairs will forward their updated competition schedule to the USAG office by October 1st.
- With the intentions of promoting all competitions throughout our regions we agree to forward our updated competition schedules and club mailing list to the Region 1 website.
- State and Regional Chairs will contact A-1 Awards for the new achievement ribbons and AA medals order form.
- All regions should conduct their annual Judging Courses prior to the qualification events scheduled in their region.
- Meet directors should carefully consider the number of judging officials needed and the order of competition now required for Levels 3-6 before hosting a meet.

Respectfully submitted,
Suzi DiTullio, JOPC Chairman