



**Program Committee Meeting Minutes
July 13-16, 2022
Meeting Conducted in person
Birmingham, AL**

Program Committee members in attendance:

Sarah Thomas- Program Committee Chair
Ronda Francis- National Elite Committee Chair
Holly King- National Technical Committee Chair
Dylan Maurer- National Development Committee Chair
Anya Grafov- National Athlete Representative
Grace Vonder Haar- National Athlete Representative (via phone)
Kyla Knights- Acrobatics Program Director (non-voting)
Alayna Davis- Acrobatics High Performance Coordinator (non-voting)

Holly Motioned: Braces/wraps don't need to be approved by the Program Committee for use in USA competitions. Braces/wraps will still need to be approved for international competitions.

2nd – Dylan

Passed Unanimously

Dylan Motioned: Appeals may be placed up to 10 min after end of the session. Rankings and awards will not be final until the conclusion of the appeal process.

2nd - Sarah

Passed Unanimously

Holly Motioned: Jury of appeal fees will go to the general Acro fund at USA Gymnastics for all competitions.

2nd - Ronda

Passed Unanimously

Grace Motioned: to include level 7 in Future Stars.

2nd – Anya

Passed Unanimously

Dylan Motioned: to remove the bonus system (+0.3 per bonus element) from score in competition. Continue to use the bonus system as an educational tool for coaches and for athlete selection purposes.

2nd – Holly

Motion not Passed

Ronda Motioned: Age groups at Nationals (USA Gym Champs) will be the same as the age groups used regionally. Any categories that have 16 or more pair/groups registered will be split in half (or as close to half as possible) by random draw.

Levels	Age Group 1	Age Group 2	Age Group 3
Levels 2-4	8U	9-10	11+
Level 5	9U	10-11	12+
Level 6	10U	11-12	13+
Level 7	11U	12-13	14+
Level 8	12U	13-14	15+
Level 9	13U	14-15	16+
Level 10	14U	15-16	17+

2nd – Anya

Passed Unanimously

Holly Motioned: to no longer have judges review tariff sheets prior to competition for level 9+. Acro companion is used at these levels, and edits to tariff sheets will not be allowed. Bonus elements will be declared on a separate sheet similar to a minor change form and reviewed by the DJ, CJP, and MR. Any edits to tariff sheets for level 9+ athletes will result in a warning or sanction violation.

2nd – Ronda

Passed Unanimously

Holly Motioned: Prior to use in sanctioned competition, scoring systems must be approved by the Program Committee.

2nd – Dylan

Passed Unanimously

Sarah Motioned: For development levels 2-10, if a pair/group competes a level 3 times at one level, that pair/group cannot be moved down one or more levels. If a pair/group needs to be moved down one or more levels after competing together at a level 3+ times the coach must send a petition to the Program Committee. International Track athletes (11-16, 12-18, 13-19, Senior Elite) may move between the international track levels freely in the US. Note: Athletes will not be allowed to move down a level for international competition if they have competed that level at a continental championship or World/WAG championship.

2nd – Anya

Passed Unanimously

*****Grace was not present for the following motions/votes.**

Ronda Motioned: to raise the minimum difficulty for 13-19 combined routine from 125 to 135 and raise the minimum difficulty for Senior combined from 165 to 180.

2nd – Holly

Passed Unanimously

Ronda Motioned: to include Blocks competition at Nationals (USA Gym Champs) for Xcel Blocks level Silver, Gold, Platinum, and Diamond.

2nd – Dylan

Passed Unanimously