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.

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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