



**Program Committee Meeting Minutes
August 1, 2022
Meeting Conducted via Zoom**

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
Kyla Knights- Acrobatics Program Director (non-voting)
Alayna Davis- Acrobatics High Performance Coordinator (non-voting) (Not Present)
Marcia DeGuire – Growth & Development Representative (non-voting) (joined meeting after Growth & Development representative vote)

Meeting called to order at 9:30am EST

Awards:

Dylan Motioned: to require team awards for level 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11-16, 12-18, 13-19, and Senior Elite at State, Regional, and National Championships. The top scores from 3 different categories (WP, MP, MxP, WG/MxT, MG/MxG) from a single team will be added together. The top combined score will win the team award for that team. If a team only has 2 different categories (WP + WG for example) their 3rd score will be a 0. A team with 2 or 1 pair/groups in a category can still win the team award if their combined score is the highest.

- **2nd – Ronda**
- **Passed – Anya absent**

USA Gym Champs:

Sarah Motioned: to include ALL Elite athletes (12-18, 13-19, and Senior) in the group exhibition routine at USA Gym Champs and to add this to the Rules & Policies.

- **2nd – Ronda**
- **Passed Unanimously**

Coaching Attire:

Dylan Motioned: to allow athletes/coaches/officials to wear National Team apparel at all local, State, and Regional Competitions. It will NOT be allowed at selection events (including USA Gym Champs). Wearing National Team attire/apparel in media must be approved by the National Office. Athletes/coaches/officials wearing National Team attire at a selection event or in media advertisement without permission will be warned or asked to change into appropriate competition attire. National Team attire may not be replaced if lost or damaged.

- **2nd – Anya**
- **Passed Unanimously**

Restrictions for athletes competing in more than one pair/group:

Dylan Motioned: for athlete level restrictions (athletes competing in more than one pair/group):

- 1 Level different in the SAME position but different category (WG vs WP) = OK
- 1-2 Levels different in a DIFFERENT position (Top vs Middle/Base) = OK (even if the same category)
- Petitions will not be accepted for an athlete competing in 2 pair/groups in the same category and position regardless of level.
 - **2nd – Sarah**
 - **Passed Unanimously**

Growth & Development:

Holly Motioned: to include Growth & Development Committee representative as a non-voting member of the Program Committee.

- **2nd – Dylan**
- **Passed Unanimously – Anya Absent**

Incorrect tariff sheet penalties for level 7-8:

Dylan Motioned: to include a 0.3 penalty for level 7-8 pair groups who are using elements not declared on the tariff sheet for Special Requirement credit. Coaches may pay the appeal fee to the Meet Referee and will receive the 0.3 back on the score. The purpose of this rule is to incentivize coaches to turn in correct tariff sheets for level 7 and level 8, while not punishing the athletes for their coach's mistake. The MR will keep the money in this case, and it will go to the Growth & Development Fund.

- **2nd – Holly**
- **Passed – Sarah and Anya Absent**

Meeting adjourned 10:45am EST