

**Men's Program Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**Teleconference**  
September 19, 2019

Mike Serra called meeting to order at 1:02pm EST

**Roll Call**

**Members Present:**

Mike Serra –Chairman/Junior Coaches Representatives  
Sho Nakamori – Athlete Representative/MPC Secretary  
Sergei Pakanich – Junior Coaches Representative  
Randy Jepson – Senior Coaches Representative  
Karl Ziehn – Senior Coaches Representative

**Present, Not Voting:**

Brett McClure – High Performance Director  
Dusty Ritter – Men's JO Program Coordinator  
Mike Juszczuk – NGJA Representative (Voice, no vote)  
Lisa Mendel – Men's Program Manager

- I. Discussion around the next individual who will fill the athlete representative position within the MPC. Brett is looking for potential candidates who might be interested in filling the role
- II. Discussion around the replacement of the Senior Coaches Representative position within the MPC. Karl Ziehn will be stepping down due to his move to Switzerland with his family. Kip Simons who previously filled the role is interested in jumping back in to serve out the rest of the term.

**Motion: To accept Kip Simons inclusion onto the Men's Program Committee upon receiving Karl's resignation letter, and Kip's letter of intent.**

**Motion: Karl Ziehn**

**Second: Sho Nakamori**

**Passed: Unanimously**

- III. Discussion to include Justin Spring as Board of Directors Representative within the MPC meetings to serve as a conduit between the MPC and the BOD.

- IV. Discussion on how we would like to address US athletes competing internationally in a self-funded capacity.  
**Motion: Approve Grant Breckenridge and Akash to compete at the Sokol Invitational in Czech Republic. These athletes must be self-funded, wear non-Team USA uniform, be in good standing with USAG, and have active FIG licenses**  
**Motion: Randy Jepsen**  
**Second: Sergei Pakanich**  
**Passed: Unanimously**
- V. Discussion regarding Winter Cup qualification and entry numbers for the 2020 edition.
- VI. A special mention brought up by Randy Jepsen towards Dennis McIntyre for his tenure and tireless efforts towards the men's gymnastics community.
- VII. Adjournment  
**Motion to adjourn at 1:58pm EST**  
**Motion: Randy Jepsen**  
**Second: Sho Nakamori**  
**Passed: Unanimously**

Respectfully submitted by Sho Nakamori, Athlete Representative/MPC Secretary

*Sho Nakamori*  
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