



## RHYTHMIC PROGRAM COMMITTEE MEETING

Conducted by Conference Call - March 18, 2020 @ 11:00am

### Roll Call:

Suzi DiTullio (Chair)	National Administrative Committee, Chair
Natalya Kozitskaya	International Elite Committee, Chair
Olga Kutuzova	National Judges Representative
Elena Savenkova	Member At Large
Rebecca Sereda	Athlete Representative
Caroline Hunt (non-voting)	Senior Rhythmic Program Director
Jayne Vincent (non-voting)	Rhythmic Program Coordinator
Anna Loescher (non-voting)	Program Advisory Council

The purpose of this call was to discuss a pathway to USA GymChamps and to hear feedback from our different representatives. The RPC will reconvene within the next weeks after engaging in outreach with the rhythmic community and discuss the next course of action. We encourage athletes and coaches to use the resource page found on the USA Gymnastics website, and any other resource they find that will help keep athletes motivated and to share any of these resources with their fellow coaches and rhythmic community

- Rebecca/Athlete Rep: conducted a National team group chat. Concerns about PanAms for group and Senior athletes waiting for info about Olympic trials and USA GymChamps.
- Caroline/Program Director update: President of FIG- each international federation is responsible for reviewing and modifying pathway to the Games.
- Natasha/IEC Rep: Coaches are still hopeful that a JO Championship might happen in later summer and what modifications to National Qualification will we make.
- Olga/ National Judges Rep: Making any decision now is premature, we should wait two weeks to re-evaluate the situation.
- Elena/ Member at Large: The immediate feedback she has received from members relates to how to keep their business, how to keep the athletes motivated. Concerns with postponed events, when gyms are closed for many weeks how safe would it be to conduct an event with not enough time for athletes to really train prior.
- Suzi/ NAC Chair: NAC members and regional chairs conducted conf call and sent 3 suggestions/proposals to the RPC.

#1. Postponing JO/OPEN into late summer/Fall. Reworking the qualification if regional meets cannot be held.

#2. Offering Level 9's opportunity to compete at USA GymChamps, possibly only 2 events to determine who moves to Level 10.

#3. Using the new cycle testing as our CPE credits for 2021.

- We are encouraging all rhythmic pro members to communicate with their state chairs, regional chairs, NAC members, RPC members what they are feeling and any suggestions for sharing ideas to help our athletes and members get through this unprecedented situation.

Adjourned 12:12pm

Respectfully submitted,

Suzi DiTullio

RPC, Chair