Meeting called to order by Patti Conner at 2:00pm EDT on Thursday April 7, 2022.

Program Committee Meeting Agenda

1. **Welcome**
   All attendees were asked to disclose any actual or potential conflicts of interest based on a review of the agenda.
   - Patti indicated a CoI with item 6, and recused. Jacqui took over as acting Chair for that item.
   - Chelsea indicated a CoI with item 2,3, and 6, and recused.
   - Deanna indicated a CoI with item 2, and recused.
   - Nuno, Nicole and Alex indicated a CoI with item 2, and recused.

2. **International Assignments**
   The committee considered proposed updates to the international assignment document:
   - Additional athletes added to the Aere World Cup and Aere Cup, due to the removal of the St Petersburg World Cup from the calendar.
   - Updated process for Senior Pan American Championships, with the directives now published showing additional disciplines and changed dates.
   The committee agreed with the proposal, pending the addition of the standard coach assignment criteria to the document. It was agreed that should more coaches be available than credentials, the Selection Committee would assign from among the available coaches using that process.

   **Motion to approve the proposed changes to the International Assignments document, pending the addition discussed above.**
   - **Motion: Patti**
   - **Second: Deanna**
   - **Vote: unanimous**

3. **Judges Funding Policy for National Events**
   The committee considered the judges domestic funding process submitted by the Technical Committee.
   The committee agreed with the proposal, pending the addition of a clause addressing whether judges living close to the event should be excluded in order to better utilize the available funded positions.
Motion to approve the Judges Domestic Funding document, pending the addition discussed above.
- Motion: Chelsea
- Second: Nuno
- Vote: unanimous

4. Senior / Junior Judges Council
The committee considered the judges council membership process submitted by the Technical Committee.
The committee agreed with the proposal, with some minor amendments to verbiage not affecting the intent of the document.

Motion to approve the Judges Council Membership document, pending the amendments discussed above.
- Motion: Deanna
- Second: Patti
- Vote: unanimous

5. Judging Panels at State Championships
The committee discussed the current situation with judging panels for State Championships. The intent is to have 3 E judges on Level 5-Open and Elite panels, however this is unclear in the R&P and some states are unable to fulfill this requirement. It was agreed that states unable to provide 3 E judges should reach out to the TC for approval to proceed with 2 E judges, and that this would be granted so long as they had made best efforts.

Motion to allow State Chairs to apply to the TC for permission to seat 2 E judges for Level 5-Open and Elite at 2022 State Championships.
- Motion: Nuno
- Second: Chelsea
- Vote: unanimous

It was agreed to table this item for further discussion of ongoing panel requirements and judge recruitment, for the August meeting.

6. Judging Panels at Regional Championships
The committee discussed the current situation with judging panels for State Championships. The intent is to have 3 E judges on Level 5-Open and Elite panels, however this is unclear in the R&P and some regions are unable to fulfill this requirement. It was agreed that regions unable to provide 3 E judges should reach out to the TC for approval to proceed with 2 E judges OR to lower requirements for E & HD ratings, and that this would be granted so long as they had made best efforts.

Motion to allow Regional Chairs to apply to the TC for permission to seat 2 E judges OR to lower E & HD rating requirements for Level 5-Open and Elite at 2022 State Championships.
- Motion: Deanna
- Second: Nuno
- Vote: unanimous

It was agreed to table this item for further discussion of ongoing panel requirements and judge recruitment, for the August meeting.

7. Elections
The committee was reminded that National Committee and Regional Chair elections are coming up soon. National elections will utilize the process outlined in the approved charters. This year the EC discipline representatives are up for election.
8. **Judges Certifications**
   The committee considered the judges certification process submitted by the Technical Committee. It was agreed to table this item for the August meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 3:00pm.