



INTERNATIONAL ELITE COMMITTEE

Minutes – Huntsville, Texas
January 9&10, 2005

Committee Chairman	Steve Rybacki
Coaches Representatives	Al Fong Kelli Hill Yevgeny Marchenko Donna Strauss
Athlete Representative	Larissa Fontaine (phone report)
National Team Coordinator	Martha Karolyi
Sr. Dir. Women's Program	Kathy Kelly
Elite Program Manager	Gary Warren

I. WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS SELECTION PROCEDURES

The committee discussed the proposal drafted in the fall and made final amendments were made to the document.

Recommendation to accept the 2005 World Championships Selection Procedures as amended.

Motion Hill
Second Marchenko
PASSED

II. CALENDAR

Some minor changes were made to the calendar based upon the information that we received.

Recommendation to accept the calendar as amended.

Motion Strauss
Second Fong
PASSED

III. JUDGING ISSUES

The committee discussed the judging issues and made the following recommendations.

Recommendation that effective immediately, New Element Evaluations will be sent to Steve Rybacki, Chairman of the IEC. Steve will work with the Apparatus Leader on the appropriate event.

Motion Fong
Second Marchenko
PASSED

Recommendation that four Apparatus Leaders be identified to serve as a 3rd judge at the elite competitions and assume other duties as outlined.

Motion Strauss
Second Hill
PASSED

IV. QUALIFICATION METHODS TO THE 2005 USA CHAMPIONSHIPS

The committee discussed other methods for athletes to qualify to the 2005 USA Championships this year with only one Classic Meet and made the final recommendation.

Recommendation that the following methods will be used to qualify to the 2005 USA Championships:

- The Olympic Training Squad (9) are directly qualified.
- Top 14 All Around Athletes from the Junior and Senior Division at the US Classics
- Any athlete who achieved her appropriate qualifying score while on assignment at an international competition from Aug 2004 to Aug 2005.
- Any athlete who achieves their qualifying score at any

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verification camp from Aug 2004 to Aug 2005 while performing full sets on competition equipment.

**Motion Marchenko
Second Strauss
PASSED**

V. CAMP ETIQUETTE

The committee asked that camp rules be written and distributed to all coaches at the summit and at each training camp in an orientation meeting.

VI. WOMEN'S PROGRAM SUMMIT

The committee will present the agenda items to the body of national team coaches at the January training camp. Committee assignments were made.

VII. FINANCIAL ISSUES

Kathy presented the balance sheet to the committee for the IEC controlled funding. The committee instructed Kathy what to do regarding the current equipment issues at the ranch and regarding new equipment that will be necessary for the new gym addition.

In order for the Olympic Team Members to retain their funding, it will be necessary for them to attend the February training camp. No criteria are necessary for the readiness. The committee will review the standings after February to make decisions on the funding issues.

