



**WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL ELITE COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**August 2, 2022**

Roll Call

IECC	Kelli Hill
HPSL	Alicia Quinn (non-voting)
HPTL	Chellsie Memmel (non-voting)
HPDL	Dan Baker (non-voting)
IEC Representative	Mary Lee Tracy
IEC Representative	Jess Graba
IEC Representative	Marnie Futch
IEC Athlete Representative	Jessie DeZiel
VP Women's Program	Annie Heffernon (non-voting)
Elite Development Program Director	Shelby Salmon (non-voting)

A. TOPS Report - Shelby Salmon

1. The second virtual physical abilities test run was conducted August 2, 2022. It was determined that a two-hour time frame with ten athletes per group is recommended, 60 athletes max per session. Accurate scores were submitted.
2. Information for upcoming tests will be posted this week on the USA Gym web site.
3. TOPS Judging
  - An online TOPS Judging course is in development.
  - All current Level 10 and above judges will be eligible to take the course.
  - In order to judge a TOPS competition, a judge will be required to complete the course.

B. Petitions to National Team – discussion, no action taken at this time.

C. **Update** - Recommendation:

1. A 13-14 year-old Hopes athlete who achieves the Junior qualification score at Hopes Classic must declare if she will compete in the Hopes Championships or as a Junior Elite at U.S. Classic prior to the beginning of the awards ceremony at Hopes Classic.
2. If the athlete declares that she will compete as a Junior Elite at U.S. Classic, she forfeits her qualification spot to Hopes Championships.
3. The athlete may NOT qualify to U.S. Championships from the Hopes Classic. She must achieve the U.S. Championships qualifying score at U.S. Classic.



4. If the athlete chooses to compete as a Junior Elite at U.S. Classic, she will be considered an Elite athlete and all drop-back rules to the Development Program will apply for 2022-2023.

- Page 120 from *Rules and Policies* – “Any international level gymnast who starts the first Optional event at a Classic competition is considered an Elite gymnast and may not drop back to the Development Program in the same Elite competitive year.”

Motion: Mary Lee Tracy

Second: Jess Graba

Passed

D. Recommendation to NOT apply the deduction **highlighted** below from the FIG Code of Points (Section 3, page 2, see below) at U.S. domestic competitions.

Behaviour of Coach with direct impact on the result/performance of the gymnast/team	
- Unsportsmanlike conduct (valid for all phases of the competition) i.e. unexcused delay or interruption of competition, speaking to active judges during the competition, speak directly to the gymnast, give signals, shouts (cheers) or similar during the exercise, etc.	1 <sup>st</sup> time – 0.50 (from gymnast/team at event) and Yellow card for coach (warning)
	1 <sup>st</sup> time – 1.00 (from gymnast/team at event) and Yellow card for coach (warning) if coach speaks <b>aggressively</b> to active judges
	2 <sup>nd</sup> time – 1.00 (from gymnast/team at event) Red card & removal of coach from the competition floor*
- Other flagrant, undisciplined and abusive behaviour (valid for all phases of the competition) i.e. incorrect presence of the prescribed persons in inner circle during competition and/or in the preparation of the apparatus, etc.	1.00 (from gymnast/team at event), immediate Red card & removal of coach from the competition floor*

Coaches may not speak directly to the athlete or give coaching cues during the exercise (exception – during a fall the coach may speak with the athlete per the FIG Code of Points).

Motion: Marnie Futch

Second: Jessie DeZiel

Passed

E. The IEC submitted updates to the Operating Code to the Women’s Program Committee for consideration.