

National Elite Program Committee
Rochester, New York
May 14, 2004

The meeting was called to order 8:00 pm by Gary Anderson, National Elite Program Chairman.

I. Roll Call:

Chairman	Gary Anderson
Region I	Derick Moellenbeck
Region II	Brad Loan
Region III	Michael Harris
Region IV	Greg LaFleur
Region V	Mary Lee Tracy
Region VI	Daile Van Patton/Tony Retrosi
Region VII	Jen Bundy
Region VIII	Tony Rand
EPM	Gary Warren

II. Opening remarks

Gary Anderson opened the meeting by welcoming the new incoming Regional Elite Chairman from Region VIII, Toni Rand. He also informed the committee that Tony Retrosi is resigning his position as Region VI's Regional Elite Chairman.

Gary stated that at the recent Administrative Board meeting, it was discussed that the TOP position is an appointed position and should not be an elected position. The Regional TOP position is appointed by the Regional Elite Chairman.

III. Regional Reports

Each Region gave a brief regional report of events that took place in their region concerning the elite program. All Regional Chairmen indicated that the Pre-Elite program has worked well with in their region. It proved to be a very positive experience and a good developmental program into the elite program.

IV. Qualification score change for the 2005 season to the Challenge

Recommendation the following changes qualification scores be made for the 2005 season.

TOP Compulsory – 31.00
 Junior Pre-Elite Optional – 32.00
 Motion: Jen Bundy
 Second: Tony Retrosi
 PASSED

V. National Qualifiers

Recommendation to the IEC that 6 National Qualifiers be offered throughout the nation and the qualifiers sites be awarded by September 1, 2004.

Motion: Mary Lee Tracy
 Second: Toni Rand
 PASSED

** The IEC voted to have six National Qualifiers for the 2004-2005 season.*

Recommendation to the IEC that a Regional Elite International Qualifier be permitted to be held on the same date as a National Elite Qualifier.

Motion: Mary Lee Tracy
 Second: Toni Rand
 PASSED

** The IEC voted to allow International Regional Qualifiers on the same weekend as the National Qualifiers, however, the Qualifier cannot be in conjunction with an Invitational competition*

VI. 2005 Calendar

The committee recommends that there be an American Challenge for the 2005 season. If the IEC votes to not have an American Classic for the 2004-2005 season then the NEPC voted to allow the American Challenge to be held in conjunction with an Invitational meet.

** The IEC voted to have an American Classic for the 2004-2005 season and therefore the American Challenge will be held in conjunction with the American Classic*

VII. National Elite Compulsory Program

Recommendation the following changes be made in the National Elite Testing Program

All landings – must land on feet, no deduction for up to 3 steps backward. (.3 deduction for a fall)

Beam 2nd pass changed to: 180 split jump connected to a 180 sissone' (2 foot take off with any foot position) ; one or two steps to a 180 switch split leap; one or two steps hold releve' position on one leg 2 seconds with free leg in optional position; followed by third pass beginning with the back walkover.

Beam dismount – clarification, mats must be stacked to the within 6 inches to the top of the beam.

Floor and Beam – clarification, 180 degree switch-leap MUST be with straight legs and not a stag switch-leap.

Floor – 2nd pass, delete “optional entrance” and add **2-3 steps or** chasse' to the cat leap full.

General Comments/Judging Guidelines:

Replace bullet point #6 with, “Up to 3 steps upon landing on vault, bars and beam dismounts are allowed with NO penalty.”

Replace bullet point #7 with, “In order to encourage dynamics, falls on ANY dismount, connection or element will receive a 0.3 penalty.”

Motion: Tony Retosi

Second: Derick Mollenbeck

PASSED

Meeting adjourned 11:00 pm.