



NATIONAL TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MEETING-WOMEN'S PROGRAM

Thursday-Sunday November 3-6, 2022
Embassy Suites-Plainfield Indianapolis, IN

Meeting was called to order by National Technical Committee Chair Linda Thorberg at 6:00 pm on November 3, 2022.

Roll Call:

Linda Thorberg	National Technical Committee Chair
Gigi Iavarone	Region 1
Jeanine Henneford	Region 2
Marilyn Blilie	Region 3
Windee Weiss	Region 4
Sue Kane	Region 5
Pat Panichas	Region 6
Jane Caruso	Region 7
Evelyn Chandler	Region 8
Connie Maloney	Women's Dev Technical Director (non-voting)
Nichole Otterson	Women's Dev Technical Coordinator (non-voting)
Christy Naik (Thurs & Fri)	Women's Dev Program Director (non-voting)
Tom Koll (Thurs & Fri)	National Dev Program Committee Chair (non-voting)
Erica Kovan-Guest Fri morn	Chief Membership Officer (non-voting)
Scott Allen-Guest Fri morn	Director of Technology (non-voting)
Jessica Dantzer-Guest Fri morn	Senior Web Applications Developer (non-voting)
Sara Clements-Guest Fri morn	E-Learning Content Manager (non-voting)

REPORTS

1. National Technical Committee Chair – Linda Thorberg thanked the members of the Technical & Xcel Committees for their preliminary work on the Xcel Base Score project. A thank you to Cookie Batsche, NAWGJ President, for establishing educational online clinics that could also be used for re-certification.
2. Welcome Windee Weiss, new Region 4 RTCC.
3. Regional reports by the RTCC's.
4. Welcome guests Erica Kovan, Scott Allen, Jessica Dantzer, and Sara Clements from the National office. They provided information on the past summer's National/Brevet exams, ongoing optional exams, and potential projects moving forward. Much appreciation for all their hard work to make this happen.

Unless otherwise noted, the following updates & recommendation for change are effective December 1, 2022

1. Update regarding judges' affiliation in the *Women's Program Rules & Policies (R&P)* and *Development Program Code of Points (Dev COP)*: A judge who receives financial compensation for critiquing or coaching more than once a month on a regular basis at a specific gymnastics club is considered affiliated with that gymnastics club. Judges must make assigners aware of affiliation.
2. Update the "racerback" type of leotard will receive an additional year grace period to allow clubs to establish compliance. All other leotards that meet the description of backless will be subject to a 0.20 attire deduction.

3. Recommendation In addition to eligibility criteria for the 2026 National/USA Brevet Course, a candidate must have a held a USA Gymnastics membership from 2022-26. To be eligible for the 2030 course and beyond a candidate must maintain a USA Gymnastics membership for 8 years prior.

Motion: Evelyn Chandler

Second: Sue Kane

PASSED

DISCUSSION

The committee discussed the following topics, but no action was taken:

1. National / Brevet Written and Practical exams and exit data
2. Items for May meeting
3. Core Course educational tracks for 2023 Regional & National Congress

ACTION ITEMS

1. A Competition Rule Modification Request is available for athletes with a permanent disability who wish to participate in the Women's Development or Xcel program. The form can be found online under Women's Program-Forms.
2. Sue Kane was appointed as the NCAA Technical liaison and will work with Crystal Chollet-Norton on rules interpretation.

The remainder of the time was spent preparing the Xcel & Development Levels 6-10 State and Regional, and Level 9-10 E/W & National Base Scores.

The next meeting is scheduled for May 15-17, 2023, in Oklahoma City, OK following Level 10 Development Nationals.

Recommendation to adjourn at 3:00 pm on November 6, 2022.