



Xcel Committee Meeting  
Crowne Plaza Hotel, Indianapolis, Indiana

Chairperson Claudia Kretschmer called the meeting to order at 5:10 pm on Monday, May 20, 2019. Additional meeting held on Tuesday, May 21.

Roll Call

Region 1	Jill Preston
Region 2	Dianne Palmer
Region 3	Louise Janecky
Region 4	Megan Robinson
Region 5	Nancy Gibson
Region 6	Gail Caspare
Region 7	Jane Caruso
Region 8	Elaine Wulf

1. Claudia presented a review of the philosophy behind the Xcel program, as well as the importance of basing decisions on this philosophy.
2. Each Regional Chair gave a brief review of the Xcel program and its progress in their respective Region. RXCCs will track the number and types of "D" skills being performed by Diamond Division gymnasts during the upcoming season. They will also track the number and types of Yurchenko vaults performed. The quality of the performance will also be noted.
3. Claudia gave a report from the Administrative and Joint Junior Olympic/Technical meetings; refer to the respective minutes of the May 2019 meetings.
4. **GENERAL**
  - a. Team awards – *Rules and Policies* states these should be done separately for each Division. However, if a state does not have enough gymnasts in one or more Divisions to have a team competition, Divisions may be combined for Team awards. The Xcel Committee suggests that the State Administrative Committee Chair must request permission for this change from the Regional Administrative Committee Chair.
  - b. Recommendation to change the wording in *Rules and Policies*, page 61, II, B, 3 to match the new Junior Olympic Program description of placement of IES gymnasts on events: All Around competitors as well as Individual Event Specialists (IES) gymnasts should NOT be required to start on more than one event, unless there are scratches that reduce the total number of competitors in the squad to less than four (4) athletes.  
Motion: Dianne Palmer  
Second: Loui Janecky  
PASSED



- c. Recommendation to adopt the new Junior Olympic Program ruling regarding markings on the Vault runway must be Velcro or tape. Chalk lines will not be permitted. Refer to the Junior Olympic/Technical Joint minutes, May 2019.

Motion: Megan Robinson

Second: Elaine Wulf

PASSED

- d. Recommendation that Junior Olympic Level 7 gymnasts may enter Xcel in either the Platinum or Diamond Division.

Motion: Nancy Gibson

Second: Jane Caruso

PASSED

## 5. VAULT

- a. New Silver Vaults were discussed. Reports were that they were well-received and safely performed. Many gymnasts are competing one of each vault

- b. The Vault Rules Chart (*Xcel Code*, page General-3 and Vault-1) under Silver Vault-Timing for Warm-ups will be corrected to read "Guaranteed **2** warm-up vaults"

- c. ~~Recommendation to add to the Platinum Vault Chart, the Yurchenko entry vault with repulsion off to the feet, or with half (180°) or full (360°) twist off.~~

Motion: Jill Preston

Second: Loui Janecky

1 In favor; 6 Opposed; 1 Abstention

DEFEATED

- e. Recommendation to remove Vault 2.301 - Handspring on – Salto forward tucked off vault from the Diamond Vault Chart.

Motion: Nancy Gibson

Second: Megan Robinson

PASSED

## 6. BARS

- a. Recommendation for Platinum Division to allow 7.309 Pike sole circle to handstand (no turn permitted) and 6.304 stalder backward to handstand (no turn permitted) to receive "B" Value-Part credit and receive Special Requirement credit.

Motion: Elaine Wulf

Second: Loui Janecky

PASSED



## 7. FLOOR

- a. Recommendation to add c. to *Rules and Policies* page 73, III.L.2.: Floor music must be downloaded onto a mobile device for competition to avoid interruptions/failure to play/errors. Accessing music via cellular or internet connections is not allowed. Streaming music using wi-fi will not be allowed.

Motion: Gail Caspare

Second: Dianne Palmer

7 In favor; 1 Abstention

PASSED

Meeting adjourned at 3:30 on Tuesday, May 21, 2019.