



2016 Women's Program Committee Minutes
July 7, 2016, San Jose, CA

Called to order by Committee Chairperson, Tom Koll – Noon

Mihai Brestyan – International Elite Committee Chairman
Rhonda Faehn – Senior VP of Women's Program
Cheryl Hamilton – National Technical Committee Chairperson
Annie Heffernon – Women's Junior Olympic Program Director
Terin Humphrey – International Elite Committee Athlete Representative
Claudia Kretschmer – National Xcel Committee Chairperson
Cori Rizzo – National Administrative Committee Chairperson

Reports:

1. National Technical Committee – Chairperson, Cheryl Hamilton
The Technical Committee is working on video projects and lectures for 2017 Congresses and continuing education. In May, 2016, the Technical Committee and the Xcel Committee had their first joint meeting to ensure continuity in the Xcel Program. The Technical Committee will meet in October, 2016 to continue developing the educational content and to develop a base score video for the Xcel Program.
2. National Xcel Committee – Chairperson, Claudia Kretschmer
The Xcel Program continues to grow in every Region, with Regional Competitions in seven of the eight Regions. In May, 2016, the Xcel Committee and the Technical Committee met jointly to ensure continuity in the program. The educational focus for the Xcel Program is aimed toward coaching within the Xcel Program.
3. International Elite Committee – Chairperson, Mihai Brestyan
The IEC meets during all training camps to make necessary changes and to meet the National Team Coordinator's expectations regarding rules. The newly elected Committee for 2016-2017 is Kim Zmeskal-Burdette, Mary Lee Tracy, and Laurent Landi (Donna Strauss alternate). The focus is on increasing the number of participants in the Developmental Camps in order to improve the quality of gymnastics nationwide. The committee submitted names to the WPC for consideration to the Intercontinental Judges' Course as well as the Women's Program nominee for the FIG Technical Committee.
4. National Administrative Committee – Chairperson, Cori Rizzo
The Women's Administrative Committee met in May, 2016. The minutes are posted online at https://usagym.org/PDFs/Women/Committee%20Minutes/WAC/wac_050516.pdf. A plan

is in place to ensure oversight on Regional and State spending of funds for gymnastics activities and events across the country.

5. National Junior Olympic Committee – Chairperson, Tom Koll
The Committees discussed avoiding having compulsory and optional re-certification during the same year. The current optional cycle will be extended to 2018. In 2018, all optional (Levels 6-10) judges will be required to re-test. A National/USA Brevet course will be conducted in 2018. New compulsories will be presented in 2021. There will be changes to timer-type vaults for Level 7 starting in the 2018-2019 season. RJOC, RTC, and RXC elections will take place in the spring of 2017.
6. USA Gymnastics Office Report - Senior VP of Women's Program, Rhonda Faehn
Office Report – Reported on the 2016 American Cup, 2016 Jesolo Trophy, 2016 Pacific Rim Championships, 2016 Secret US Classic, and 2016 P&G Championships and the success of Team USA. At this time, the National Team is concentrating on preparing for 2016 Olympic Games in Rio.

New Business:

1. Tom discussed the Women's Program recommendation of Tatiana Perskaia for FIG Technical position. In addition, there was discussion regarding The Women's Program recommendations for the 2016 FIG Intercontinental judges' course. The following judges were recommended for the course: Silvia Brestyan, Cheryl Hamilton, Tatiana Perskaia, Kristie Phillips-Bannister, and Chellsie Memmel (alternate).
2. Discussed Women's Board of Director's position. Kelli Hill's term is over in 2017 and Tom Koll's term ends in 2018. The criteria for the Board Member position is set by Women's Program Committee. Nominations for replacements will need to be recommended by the various committees.
3. Changes in the operating code:
Motion to accept proposed changes to the Operating Code brought forth by the various sub-committees. Refer to new Operating Code changes listed in **BOLD** for the 2016-17 season found online at <https://usagym.org/PDFs/Women/Rules/operatingcode.pdf>.
Motion: Mihai Brestyan
Second: Terin Humprey
Passed unanimously
4. Motion to add to the Operating Code under NACC responsibilities: Check Regional and State accounts quarterly.
Motion: Tom Koll
Second: Cheryl Hamilton
Passed unanimously

Motion to adjourn: Cori Rizzo

Second: Mihai Brestyan

Meeting Adjourned 1:15pm