2019 Women’s Program Committee Minutes  
August 10, 2019 - Kansas City, MO

Called to order by Committee Chairperson, Tom Koll – 7:00pm

Annie Heffernon – VP of Women’s Program  
Christy Naik – Women’s JO Program Director  
Kelli Hill – International Elite Committee Chairperson  
Cheryl Hamilton – National Technical Committee Chairperson  
Claudia Kretscher – National Xcel Committee Chairperson  
Cori Rizzo – National Administrative Committee Chairperson  
Kayla Williams – International Elite Committee Athlete Representative

Reports:

1. National Technical Committee – Chairperson, Cheryl Hamilton  
The Technical Committee is putting together core courses, and proofing of the 2021 JO Compulsory Book. Together with the Xcel Committee, the Technical Committee is working on an Xcel judging course.

2. National Xcel Committee – Chairperson, Claudia Kretscher  
The Xcel Committee held their annual meeting in May following the Junior Olympic National Championships. In cooperation with the Technical Committee, the Xcel judges’ course is in the development stage. Regional Xcel committees are being formed, with subcommittees a possibility in the future.

3. International Elite Committee – Chairperson, Kelli Hill  
The International Elite Committee has completed the following projects in 2019:  
   - Updated the Operating Code (minutes from 8/16/18)  
   - Updated to the judge selection criteria  
   - Updated to TOPS Program and Elite Compulsories  
   - Awarded bids to host National Qualifiers.

4. National Administrative Committee – Chairperson, Cori Rizzo  
The Women’s Administrative Committee met in May 2019. The minutes are posted and can be found on USA Gymnastics’ web site. The committee continues to work with the gymnastics community to resolve any administrative issues that arise. Cori noted that the State and Regional Administrative Committee workshop immediately following the conclusion of National Congress in Kansas City.
5. National Junior Olympic Committee – Chairperson, Tom Koll
Tom reported on the progress of the 2021 Junior Olympic Compulsory project. The committee is currently working on proofing the deductions, while the text and pictures are complete. The filming for the new routines will take place in November. Tom also discussed the compulsory master workshops, which will take place the first two weekends in June of 2021.

6. USA Gymnastics Office Report - VP of Women’s Program, Annie Heffernon
Annie discussed the Women’s Program leadership structure and responded to committee members’ questions surrounding the program. No changes were made at this time.

7. Athlete Council Report — Kayla Williams
Kayla discussed the athlete rep selection procedures. Suggestions were received from members of the WPC regarding athlete participation to scheduled meetings; Kayla will report back to athlete council suggestions from WPC.

8. The Hall of Fame Committee Report – Future recommendations to the Hall of Fame Committee will be provided upon instruction from the Board of Directors. At this time, there is nothing to report.

9. Recommendation to the Women’s Program Committee to accept the following changes to the Operating Code:

   a. On page 1, update ARTICLE I – STRUCTURE: to read:
      i. The Women’s Program is composed of the Women’s Program Committee (WPC) and its sub-committees. These sub-committees are charged with specific Women’s programs and are as follows: Administrative Committee (AC), Junior Olympic Committee (JOC), International Elite Committee (IEC), Technical Committee (TC), and Xcel Committee (XC). They function as per the Operating Code and the Duties and Responsibilities.

   b. On page 1, update ARTICLE 11 – MEMBERSHIP to read:
      i. An individual who holds current paid membership, safety/risk management, is U.S. Center for SafeSport Core Course trained and has passed background checks shall be deemed a Professional member. This individual must be a minimum of 18 years of age and shall receive a membership card stating that they are a Professional Member with full voting privileges. Junior Professional members do not have voting privileges.

   c. On page 9, update SECTION A – NATIONAL OFFICERS.4 to read:
      i. Nominations for National Officers—Women’s Program Committee Chairman (WPCC), National Administrative Committee Chairman (NACC), International Elite Committee Chairman (IECC), National Junior Olympic Committee Chairman (努OCC), National Xcel Committee Chairman (NXCC), and the National Technical Committee Chairman (NTCC) - shall be solicited by the Women’s Junior Olympic Program Director by email in
January or February of the election year. Solicitation of nominees shall include a list of criteria.

d. On page 27, update VIII.G. to read:
   i. Conduct the annual state meeting of Women's Program Professional members, when necessary.

e. Remove all reference to Technique Magazine in Operating Code.

Motion: Cori Rizzo
Second: Claudia Kretschmer

New business:
   1. Discussion regarding communication with the National Office. The committee stressed the importance of providing quality service to the member base.

Motion to Adjourn: Kayla Williams
Second: Kelli Hill
Meeting Adjourned 8:56 pm.

Stefanie Korepin
10/24/19