



2015 Women's Program Committee Minutes August 15, 2015, Indianapolis, IN

Called to order by Committee Chairperson, Tom Koll – 7:30am

Claudia Kretschmer
Cori Rizzo
Cheryl Hamilton
Annie Heffernon
Rhonda Faehn
Mihai Brestyan
Absent: Athlete Representative

Reports:

1. National Technical Committee – Chairperson, Cheryl Hamilton
The Technical Committee is working on video projects and lectures for 2016 Congresses and continuing education. The committee will meet in November, 2015 to continue developing the educational content. NAWGJ and the Technical Committee are working to recruit new judges.
2. National Xcel Committee – Chairperson, Claudia Kretschmer
In 2015, the Xcel Committee made very few changes to the Xcel Code of Points. In order to gain consistency across the country, education for coaches and judges is a priority for the committee.
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 committee is working on Selection Procedures for the 2016 Olympic Games. The 2016 Elite National Qualifiers have been awarded. The number of participants in both the Hopes and Developmental Programs continue to increase.
4. National Administrative Committee – Chairperson, Cori Rizzo
There are three new Regional Administrative Committee Chairpersons – Region 2, Marian DeWane, Region 4, Rick Nelson, and Region 7, Jen Bortz. There are proposed changes to the Operating Code regarding election procedures. Regional Chairs have requested at least one national team staff member to present at Regional Congresses and more online judges training.

5. National Junior Olympic Committee – Chairperson, Tom Koll
Tom discussed Luan Peszek’s new position at USA Gymnastics as Vice President of Program Development and how it will impact the Junior Olympic Program. She will serve as the liaison between USA Gymnastics and the NCAA.
6. USA Gymnastics Office Report - Senior VP of Women’s Program, Rhonda Faehn
Office Report – Reported on Pan American Games and the success of Team USA there. At this time, the National Team is concentrating on preparing for 2015 World Championships and the 2016 Olympic Games in Rio.

New Business:

1. Tom discussed the Women’s Program possible recommendations for FIG Technical position. In addition, there was discussion regarding The Women’s Program recommendations for the 2016 FIG Intercontinental judges’ course.
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.
Motion regarding State and Regional Chairpersons’ financial responsibility and communication.
Recommendation from the Technical Committee to change the eligibility for Technical Chairpersons. (see the Operating Code).
Motion: Cheryl Hamilton
Second: Mihai Brestyan
Passed unanimously

Motion to adjourn: Claudia Kretschmer
Second: Mihai Brestyan
Meeting Adjourned 8:50am