

GA-NAWGJ Board Meeting

Jul. 29, 2017

At Gwyned's House

Present: Kim Joye, Cynthia Davis, Gwyned Bius, Kathlyn Skeslock, Megan Bauer, Michelle Donovan, Cathy Campfield, Stephen Conwell, Marian Dykes

Absent: Sharon Kelly, Stacey Harris

Agenda:

Call to Order: 12:58 by Kim Joye

Mission - ...to provide professional development for its members and to support and promote women's gymnastics in the United States.

Confidentiality and Conflict of Interest Forms

Reminded that we are to not discuss outside the meeting. All members signed and returned to Kim

SJD Workshop Update - Joye

General Information Added to Marian's title, "Financial Assistant. Required now to have 2 board meetings a year.

Fees increase : Judging fees increased 2 ½%

Carpool elimination, No longer required, and may have to be geographically decided. It was decided to include the following statement in update to judges at Judges' Cup

"Although we've now been given the flexibility to drive individually, please remember that meet directors also have the flexibility to request specific judges to reduce mileage costs. If driving ourselves significantly increases costs to gyms, then we may find ourselves with less meet options overall." (Credit to Michelle for wording).

Emergency Action Plan - Joye

After facing emergency situations at meets, the absence of an Emergency Action Plan has been recognized. As meet officials traveling and working away from home, there is a need to maintain emergency contact information that is easily accessible to those with us should an emergency arise. The decision was made to distribute an ICE (In Case of Emergency) card to all members at Judges' Cup to be completed and added to judging bags.

Stephen Conwell and Michelle Donovan will design a card that will provide needed information while maintaining privacy.

Long Range Plan Committee Report

Will continue to develop a long-range plan to help our members. Committee will work on plans to expand December Optional Preseason Training Camp to include a sanctioned meet with real scores on Sunday.

Director Reports

Judges' Cup: Sharon Kelly submitted her update via email

Assignor: Gwyned Bius - Will get Hard-To-Book meet list out soon

Website: Megan Bauer - The website is up and running. Please send updates/corrections as they are found.

Hospitality: Kathlyn Skeslock - Budget for Judges cup should stay the same.

Ethis/USAG Liaison/Financial Asst: Marian Dykes - nothing to report

Recognition: Cathy Campfield - discussed gifts for recognition.

Volunteer: Stacy Harris - Absent - Volunteering for regionals to still be discussed

Education/Recruiting: Michelle Donovan

- Positives: Significant interest from potential new judges (>35 in past year), gaining more judges than we lose, education resources beneficial (ex. Quizlet, practice tests)
- Areas for Improvement: Lack of formal mentoring program (judges will now be given option to request a mentor as interest has been variable in past), Low pass rate on written optional tests (will roll out variety of new ideas to target different learning styles including study guides/schedules, test-taking strategies, etc. with goal to increase engagement as well as personal accountability)
- Recertification Needs: Written practice tests by level, more practice judging online/in person opportunities, creation of study groups

2018 Recertification Plans - Joye/All

Discussed group study options with technology. Brevet/National testing with USAG congress. First-come first-serve registration with testing on Sunday morning. Earliest testing for other levels will be National Congress August 7-9. Retreat for Brevet/National will be June 9-10. Discussion on what to pay for judges and Cookie Batsche. Will need a proposal to USAG board for what they may contribute.

A motion was made to have Brevet/National judges retreat June 9-10, 2018

Motion: Kathlyn Skeslock

2nd: Gwyned Bius

PASSED

A motion was made to have Level 8/9/10 judges retreat on August 4-5, 2018

Motion: Gwyned Bius

2nd: Cathy Campfield

PASSED

What will Ga-NAWGJ provide financially to its members upon successful completion of the course/test? Reimburse amount of testing? After much discussion, it was decided that a budget should be developed to figure out costs and fees.

Michelle Donovan will develop a budget.

Kim Joye will work with Marian Dykes on communication with USAG and AAU Boards to request support for the recertification year.

When we know what financial support will be available, NAWGJ will develop a plan for each level of certification.

6/7/8 Regionals in GA

Discussed what we can do for volunteers since the meet is out of the metro area.

Approximately 6 judges needed per Session/per gym (2)

- Timers for bars, beam, floor and line judges

Cathy would like suggestions for regional judges gift. She will shop and report back.

New Business

Next meeting to be held either Thanksgiving Kathlyn weekend or Christmas Holidays

Meeting Adjourned 4:59

Board Member	Name	Date Approved
State Judging Director		
Secretary	<i>Cynthia Davis</i>	7/30/17
Assignor	<i>Gwyned Bius</i>	8/7/17
Event Director	<i>Absent</i>	
Ethics/USAG Liaison/Financial Asst.	<i>Marian Dykes</i>	8/14/17
Education/Recruiting	<i>Michelle Donovan</i>	7/30/2017
Hospitality Director	<i>Kathlyn Skeslock</i>	7/30/17
Website Director	<i>Megan Bauer</i>	7/30/17
Volunteer Coordinator	<i>Absent</i>	
Recognition Director		
New Judge Representative	<i>Stephen Conwell</i>	8/7/2017

