

Illinois USAG Women's Gymnastics

State Committee Meeting

Sunday, September 24, 2006

A General Planning Meeting of the USAG Women's State Committee was held at the home of Sari Engle in Gardner, Illinois. The meeting was called to order by State Chairman, Norbert Bendixen at 9:40 a.m. A quorum was present; those in attendance were:

Norbert Bendixen, State Chairman	Randy Peebles, J. O. Chairman	Randy Parrish, Level 9 – 10 Chairman
Mary Joe Roehrig, Level 8 Chairman	Cyndi Zimmerman, Level 7 Chairman	Sari Engle, Level 6 Chairman
Judy Redmond, Level 5 Chairman	Teresa Millmore, Level 4 Chairman	Wendy McGrath, Secretary
Don McPherson, Safety Chairman	Jeanne Johnson, NAWGJ Representative	Terry Theobald, Election Commissioner
Leonard Isaacs, Education Chairman		

Todd Gardiner, Elite Chairman – Unexcused Absence.

The main purpose of this meeting was to set the State Series for the 2006 – 2007 competitive season with respect to qualifying scores, entry fees and to clarify the time line for Injury Petitions. Additionally, this meeting was also set to select the NAWGJ Judges for the State Series and to award bids in the State Series.

CLARIFICATION OF STATE MEET ENTRY DEADLINE

On-line entries will continue to be available. On the final Friday of the entry deadline, the Webmaster will remove the link from the Webpage, so that no one can enter the State meet after midnight.

LEVEL 4

Motion No. 1: Taking into consideration the rising numbers at Level 4, realign the state using I-80 as the division between north and south. It was further suggested that the qualifying score for Level 4 be set at 32.00 All-Around. The Early entry fee was suggested to be \$50.00 and the Actual entry fee be set at \$75.00 for all Compulsory State Meets.

Proposed by: Randy Parrish
Passed unanimous

Seconded by: Cyndi Zimmerman

Motion No. 2: Injury Petitions will be permitted to take advantage of the Early Entry fee if the proper petitioning procedures are followed and the petition is received IN HAND by the Wednesday following the meet. This privilege will apply to all meets.

Proposed by: Teresa Millmore
Passed unanimous

Seconded by: Randy Parrish

LEVEL 5

Motion No. 3: That the qualifying score be set at 33.50 All-Around.

Proposed by: Judy Redmond Seconded by: Sari Engle
Defeated

Motion No. 4: That the qualifying score be set at 33.00 All-Around.

Proposed by: Randy Peebles Seconded by: Mary Joe Roehrig
Abstained: 1 Opposed: 2
Passed

LEVEL 6

Motion No. 5: That the qualifying score be set at 34.00 All-Around

Proposed by: Sari Engle Seconded by: Judy Redmond
Passed unanimous

OPTIONAL ENTRY FEES

Motion No. 6: That the entry fees for Levels 7 – 8 – 9 – 10 are set at \$75.00 for the Early Entry fee and \$100.00 for the Actual Entry fee.

Proposed by: Teresa Millmore Seconded by: Cyndi Zimmerman
Passed unanimous

LEVEL 7

Motion No. 7: That the qualifying score be set at 34.50 All-Around.

Proposed by Cyndi Zimmerman Seconded by: Mary Joe Roehrig
Abstained: 1
Passed

LEVEL 8

Motion No. 8: That the qualifying score be set at 33.00 All-Around

Proposed by: Mary Joe Roehrig Seconded by: Teresa Millmore
Passed unanimous

STATE SERIES MEET BIDS

As is our policy, prior to commencing with bid approval, any persons having an affiliation with a bid under consideration, were asked to leave the room.

LEVEL 5 BIDS

The following bids were considered:

1. Gym Etc. Meet Director, Teresa Millmore
2. GymNasti Meet Director, Ron Nasti
3. Oswegoland Park District Meet Director, Lorie Gregory

Motion No. 9: Moved to accept the bid from Gym. Etc.

Proposed by: Judy Redmond Seconded by: Randy Parrish
Passed unanimous

LEVEL 4 NORTH and LEVEL 7 BIDS

The following bids were considered:

1. EGGS Meet Director, Glen Marks
2. GymNasti Meet Director, Ron Nasti

Motion No. 10: Moved to accept the bid from EGGS predicated on the availability of all day Friday.

Proposed by: Judy Redmond Seconded by: Randy Peebles
Passed unanimous

LEVEL 8 – 9 – 10 BIDS

The following bids were considered:

1. EnerGym Meet Director, Andy Morelle

Motion No. 11: Moved to accept the bid from EnerGym.

Proposed by: Don McPherson Seconded by: Randy Parrish
Passed unanimous

LEVEL 4 SOUTH and LEVEL 6 BIDDING CONTINUED

Motion No. 12: Bids for Level 4 South and Level 6 will remain open to the Southern region of the state (south of I-80) until October 23, 2006. If no South meets are bid, the bidding will be opened to the entire state of Illinois.

Proposed by Don McPherson Seconded by: Randy Parrish
Passed unanimous

USE OF ILLINOIS FORMAT OF REVISED CAPITAL CUP

Motion No. 13: After reviewing the pros and cons of the Illinois format with marching in the gymnasts first, when using capital cup system prior to warming up the first flight, it was decided that we should continue using it. It was also felt that other meet directors should consider using this format.

Proposed by: Don McPherson Seconded by: Randy Parrish
Abstained: 1

Passed

JUDGES SELECTION - STATE AND REGIONAL SERIES RECOMMENDATIONS

Mission Statement: Illinois will continue to base their selection of judges on the philosophy of, “the best judge for the level of the meet”, while encompassing all the professional qualifications of judging.

Motion No. 14: To accept the Professional Involvement form from Christi Kearns because we have two conflicting dates of receipt and no way to verify either.

Proposed by: Sari Engle Seconded by: Teresa Millmore
Abstained: 2 Against: 1
Passed

Motion No. 15: To accept the Professional Involvement form from Judy Redmond because information was not clear as to reason for returning.

Proposed by: Cyndi Zimmerman Seconded by: Teresa Millmore
Abstained: 2
Passed

Motion No. 16: Future Professional Involvement forms must be received in hand by the deadline or the State Committee will not consider the Judge for State meet (regional Meet assignments already follow this procedure).

Proposed by: Teresa Millmore Seconded by: Randy Peebles
Passed unanimous

Motion No. 17: If a person is being considered for a State series meet or above and that person(s) is present at the Committee meeting, that person(s) will be required to leave the room during the discussion period.

Proposed by: Teresa Millmore Seconded by: Cyndi Zimmerman
Passed unanimous

JUDGES RECOMMENDED FOR SELECTION IN THE STATE SERIES

A new protocol was established using a computer voting program that would enable all Committee members to cast their ballots privately for the number of judges needed plus the meet referee. The Meet Referee would then be chosen from those judges. In accordance with the above Motion, the judges under consideration, left the room.

LEVEL 5 STATE JUDGES

Kathy Elg (N) Meet Referee,
Sue Brosnan (N), Carrie Anderson (10), Hilary Carlson (N), Kathie Gebhardt (N), Jeanne Johnson (N), Stacey Mooney (N), Debbie Pulley (10) Billie Stone (10), *Arlene Norris (10) First Alternate, Amy Tritt (10) Second Alternate*

LEVEL 6 STATE JUDGES

Mary Krause (N) Meet Referee,
Mary Lou Ackman (N), Hilary Carlson (N), Jeanne Johnson (N), Christi Kearns (10), Cathy Peebles (10),
Debbie Pulley (10), Judy Redmond (10), Billie Stone (10), ***Paula Noe (N) First Alternate, Sharon Sargeant
(10) Second Alternate***

LEVEL 7 STATE JUDGES

Hilary Carlson (N) Meet Referee
Mary Lou Ackman (N), Sue Brosnan (N), Kathie Gebhardt (N), Mary Krause (N), Linda McDonald (N), Cathy
Peebles (10), Sharon Sargeant (10), Billie Stone (10), ***Jeanne Johnson (N) First Alternate, Mary Joe Roehrig
(10) Second Alternate***

LEVEL 8 STATE JUDGES

Jeanne Johnson (N) Meet Referee,
Mary Lou Ackman (N), Sue Brosnan (N), Hilary Carlson (N), Linda McDonald (N), Stacey Mooney (N),
Debbie Pulley (10), Sharon Sargeant (10), Billie Stone (10), ***Cathy Peebles (10) First Alternate, Judy
Redmond (10) Second Alternate***

LEVEL 9 AND 10 STATE JUDGES

Paula Noe (N) Meet Referee,
Mary Lou Ackman (N), Carrie Anderson (10), Betty Axelson-McClelland (N), Sue Brosnan (N), Hilary Carlson
(N), Kathy Elg (N), Kathie Gebhardt (N), Jeanne Johnson (N), Judy Johnson-Durr (N), Christi Kearns (10),
Mary Krause (N), Linda McDonald (N), Stacey Mooney (N), Arlene Norris (10) Sandy Oldham (B), Susan
Uhlir (10), ***Sharon Sargeant (10) First Alternate, Betsy Ellis (10) Second Alternate***

LEVEL 8 – 9 – 10 REGIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS

Mary Lou Ackman (N), Carrie Anderson (10), Sue Brosnan (N), Hilary Carlson (N), Kathy Elg (N), Jeanne
Johnson (N), Linda McDonald (N), Sandy Oldham (B)

PARTNERS IN GYMNASTICS and STATE RECOGNITION BANQUET

Motion No. 18: That July 26 through 29, 2007 be first pick of date for the Illinois State Congress (Partners in
Gymnastics) and the State Recognition Banquet. Should no suitable site be available that weekend, the
alternate date of July 19 through 22, 2007 will be used.

Proposed by: Judy Redmond Seconded by: Randy Parrish
Passed unanimous

Motion No. 19: That the Education Chair (Leonard Isaacs) becomes a prominent member of the Partners in
Gymnasts committee and that every Illinois USAG State Committee member is responsible for their own area.
Cyndi Zimmerman accepted the position of Head Chairman. (NOTE: Following the meeting Cyndi turned in
her resignation. She felt that since she had such an important roll in running the Banquet, that one or both of the
jobs would suffer if she spread herself too thin.)

Proposed by: Judy Redmond Seconded by: Teresa Millmore
Passed unanimous

Discussion: That a marketing flier be inserted in every coaches State Meet packet as a reminder of Illinois State Congress. Sari Engle volunteered to be in charge of the creation and implementation of the form.

Bids for Illinois State Congress: All bids for the state Congress should be received on or before November 1, 2006. Bids should be filled out and sent to Norbert Bendixen using the bid form which will be added to the Illinois USAG website October 1, 2006.

NEW BUSINESS

NEW WEB ADDRESS

Because of the continued use of the Illinois USAG Women's State website by more and more of its Professional Members, it has become apparent that we need to have a stand alone address. Changing to our own IP address will enable us to implement the use of data based programs that might allow us to add the following benefits in the future:

THIS WILL BE DONE gradually please continue to use Region5.com/Illinois until otherwise directed

- PayPal money grab
- Names and leotard sizes to be downloaded and sizes changed
- Other credit card payment options
- Coaches shirts on entry forms
- Score data research

Motion No. 20: That Cyndi Zimmerman is allowed to set up an alternate website using the domain name of ILUSAG.com and putting a link forwarding users to this new site from the current website Region5.com/Illinois.

Proposed by: Randy Peebles
Passed unanimous

Seconded by: Judy Redmond

ILLINOIS JUDGES REPORT and JUDGES and COACHES EVALUATION FORMS

Jeanne Johnson submitted an excellent form titled ILLINOIS JUDGES REPORT. This form encompasses pertinent information regarding judge's availability, experience, judging education and additional education. The need for this type of form was discussed and general acceptance was agreed upon. For use by the Judges in the 2006-2007 season. The committee will use this form as input for Judge Selection 2007-2008 season

Further, Jeanne Johnson is working of a Judges Evaluation form and a Coaches Evaluation of Judges form. It was not determined when these might become available.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:32 p.m. CST

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by:

Wendy McGrath, Secretary

ILLINOIS STATE USAG WOMEN'S COMMITTEE