Region 2 Committee meeting Saturday August 25, 2012 Leading Edge, Everett Washington

Meg Doxtator - RACC Linda Mulvihill – RTCC Laurie Reid - RJOCC Martha Dunn – SACC Alaska Marian DeWane – SACC Idaho Pam Zak – SACC Hawaii (phone) Josh Burnham – SACC Montana Phil Sappington – SACC Oregon Patty Gable – SACC Washington Guests: Dianne Palmer – Xcel regional representative Ann Heppner – NAWJG Region II

Call to order Meg Doxtator 12:30 pm

Xcel Report

Dianne Palmer reported that the new Xcel rules are up on the Inland Empire Web Site. Links to that site will be put on the Region 2 site. She would like all states to report possible number of gymnasts and clubs with Xcel programs to her so she can develop a contact list for the region. The Washington rep, Taryn Harris has already done this for Washington.

- Currently, States get to decide awards, numbers of judges per panel and ratings of the judges.
- Warm-up times: Bronze 30 seconds, Silver 45 seconds, Gold 1:00 minute, and 1:30 for Platinum and Diamond.

<u>Amendment to minutes</u> – The "minimum of 8 gymnasts per state" will only be in effect if there is a Level 8 Team competition at Regionals.

Motion: Martha Dunn Second: Patti Gable **Motion approved**

<u>Financial report</u> – Meg discussed how to create a financial report that can be placed on state web sites based on the new financial reporting procedures from the National Office.

Camps – Laurie Reid is working on fall training camps

• Super camps: Washington at Emerald City; Oregon camp at MAC or OGA both on Oct. 27-28. Local coaches will be used to run events.

• High Tech –at OGA on November 3-4. Marvin Sharp is a definite clinician and the Geddarts are possible. High Tech camp will start at noon on Saturday: there may be an additional judges meeting Saturday morning.

Regional judges can fulfill obligations with one of the following three educational events: National Congress, Regional Congress, or High Tech.

Future possible Regional realignment was discussed and a variety of plusses and minuses were considered. The discussion concerns the possible inclusion of NorCal in Region 2. The National Administrative Committee will be involved in any decision that impacts the regions.

Technical committee report –Linda reported the level 7 bars course (J311) is up on the website and beam should be up soon. The committee is also working on the new code.

- Specific materials to assist judges and coaches are completed.
- The national and brevet courses will be on line. Working towards- Practical and written on July 19th at local testing sites. Retesting for current National and Brevet judges will be open book, new national or brevet must test closed book. One re-test opportunity will be available. Technical symposiums will be online. New JO code will be available April 2013.

Dates: Compulsory Master clinics will be held in Orlando, Fla. and Reno, Nev. in June, (Reno June 7-8); Region 2 will be hosting a new compulsory workshop June 28, 29, 30 at Naydanov in Vancouver, WA. This will be in conjunction with Region 2 Congress. All states are planning new compulsory clinics as well.

<u>Judges selection</u>: Current Regional Judges Selection is based on the following formula: 4 Washington, 4 Oregon, and 2 from each of the other states. For JO Nationals we send 4 judges - 2 for the Jr. and 2 for the Sr. competitions. Three judges are typically assigned to Westerns.

Judges selection this year will be by e-mail vote as not all states had reported their judges slate to Linda by the deadline.

NAWGJ: Ann discussed the judge of the year choice: 2012 Genie McElroy. A Regional judge's symposium will be held memorial weekend. It will include test taking strategies: So far the clinicians include Linda Mulvihill, Cindy Lord, Ann Heppner. It will be held in the Olympia area.

International Trip – There was no trip this year. Brian Muenz has set up the trip for next year. It will be to Costa Rica the last weekend in May.

Bids 2014 – Call for bids for 2014 Regionals. Due date is Nov 1st. Bids will be discussed and awarded on Nov. 3. Level 8-10 Regionlas will be April 11-4, 2014 and *may* be combined with Level 6, 7, Xcel Regionals if space allows. Bids will also be accepted for a separate Level 6, 7, Xcel Regional Championships with an alternate date of April 25-27 if they can not be combined.

Motion to hold a Level 7 and Xcel regional meet two weeks after L8-10 Regionals in 2014 (April 25 – 27) with 2 judge panels. Xcel will be Gold, Platinum and Diamond levels only with format to be decided by regional board at a later date.

Motion: Patti Gable Second: Laurie Reid **Motion approved.**

Amendment to the above motion: to include level 6 at Regionals in 2014, to be combined with the level 7 and Xcel divisions above. Motion: Marian Dewane Second: Linda Mulvihill Motion approved (e-mail vote)

Next meeting: Nov 3rd Saturday in the evening at OGA during High Tech.

Pam Zak has a new e-mail: pamzpex@gmail.com

Meeting adjourned 2:00 pm