Regional Board Meeting April 16, 2009 White Fish, Montana

Members present Meg Doxtator – RACC Linda Mulvihill – RTCC Laurie Reid – RJOCC Tammy Monette – Alaska SC Pam Zak – Hawaii SC Denny Allen – Montana SC Wendy for Marian DeWane – Idaho SC Kristen Wemm – Oregon SC Kim Thompson for Patti Gable – WA SC Ann Heppner – NAWGJ Regional Chairman

The meeting was called to order at 8:15 p.m.

Election Results Laurie Reid was re-elected as the RJOCC

JO Update

Laurie would like the state chairmen to either elect or appoint a state representative from each state to serve on a Regional JO committee (1-2 meetings per year). The representative would be responsible for helping Laurie plan clinics, camps, congress, etc. She would like to have the committee set by National Congress with the first meeting at Regional Congress

Suggested Dates for Camps: High Tech 11/7-8 Super Camp 1 (WA) 9/12-13 Super Camp 2 (OR) 9/19-20

Discussion was held on how to provide training for outlying states. Laurie passed out a survey to be completed by Professional Members while at Regionals. The new compulsory music will be available in May/June. Discussion on selection criteria for judges at Regionals.

RTCC Update

Randy Lau from What's Up Gymnastics in Hawaii is currently our only elite who has qualified to Championships.

National Testing happens this summer.

Linda clarified the current process of judge selection in our Region.

RACC Update

We have a new webmaster and are hoping to use the web site to improve communication. www.usa-gymnasticsregion2.org

Regional Championships Update

Moving the Level 8 qualifying percentage to 70% gave us 190 athletes. Our goal is 180. Discussion about moving back to the 65% was tabled until after the meet. Specialist Qualification: 8.5 on one event will qualify a gymnast to regionals provided that they have met their state requirements to be a specialist. Specialist are outside of the percentage number that qualify to regionals.

NAWGJ Update

Ann thanked the board for giving the Level 8 State Team competition to NAWGJ control. There was some discussion on how to best run the competition Her annual NAWGJ meeting will be in mid-June. NAWGJ is producing educational videos that the SJD's will have to distribute All optional level judges are re-testing this yer.

Several judges are retiring.

Old Business

The Board decided to pay the entry fee for all Level 10 gymnasts who qualify for JO Nationals in lieu of an international trip this year.

Linda Mulvihill will attend an invitational meet in Antigua, Guatemala as the Meet Referee. We will also let all Region 2 gymnasts know about the meet if they wish to attend on their own.

Regional Congress will be hosted by Auburn Gymnastics, October 9-11.

Discussion on Regional Team Fees. Will be revisited at August meeting after State Chairmen poll their states about how we should alter or update the Regional Team Fees

Any financial benefit from the Regional Board will not be given to any team that has not met their financial obligation to the Region this year, 2009. Motion: Laurie Reid Second: Tammy Monette Passed

Any financial benefit from the State board will not be given to any team that has not met their financial obligations to the State.

Motion: Laurie Reid Second: Denny Allen Passed

Coach/Judge of Year

Current method of determining the regional coach of the year, 1 name is submitted from each State Board then Regional board picks from those 6.

Call for bids for 2011 Regionals – deadline is August 1.

Adjourned 10:05 p.m.

Minutes taken by Wendy Smith