

USAG Region II Board Minutes

9/9/2011 6:20 pm at LEGA

Present:

- Meg Doxtator - RACC
 - Linda Mulvihill - RTC
 - Martha Dunn- Alaska SACC
 - Marian DeWane - Idaho SACC
 - Pam Zak - Hawaii SACC
 - Lizzie Dolan - Montana SACC
 - Phil Sappington - Oregon SACC
 - Patti Gable - Washington SACC
 - Ann Heppner – NAWGJ representative
 - Guest: Diane Palmer Excel representative – tenskira@gmail.com (left after presentation)
- Excused:
- Laurie Reid - RJOCC

Meg called the Meeting to order.

Xcel Report: Dianne Palmer and Lizzie Dolan will give background on the new Xcel program tomorrow in a Recreation presentation – presently we have rec-OP in Idaho and eastern Washington 14 years, last 7 as Inland Empire. Oregon is starting a program, Hawaii will start once rules are in place, Montana is starting a program, western WA does it's own program but have 200 prep op, and Alaska has no rec- op as of yet.

Approval of the minutes: Motion was made to accept the minutes from the April 14, 2011 meeting.

Motion: Martha Dunn

Second: Lizzie Dolan

Motion passed

Financial Report: Meg discussed the report and how well we had done with camps.

Motion was made to use extra funds to pay Level 9 entry fees for Western Nationals if possible.

Motion: Marian DeWane

Second: Pam Zak

Motion passed

RTC Report: Linda Mulvihill -- the technical committee is working on creating a set of videos with scripts that can be used for judges training throughout the country. The hope is that this will be available for sale in the near future. So far there have been many good comments on the presentations from the project.

Elite update: Linda Mulvihill – Region II has no elites at this time. There are several TOPS gymnasts though in the region. Justin Howell is our Zone elite representative (we are Zone 1).

Western and National Judges update: Linda Mulvihill - a discussion was held on the proposed judges.

Motion was made to approve the judges recommendations as written.

Motion: Patti Gable

Second: Phil Sappington

Motion passed.

NAWGJ report: Ann Heppner - discussed the number of judges per state between 2007 and 2011, nonprofit status, and how states can choose to use NAWGJ to procure judges. A request was made for NAWGJ to get a patch to sell so judges can put it on their own navy suit.

Region 2 International trip Report: Meg – we spent \$5,000 this year. Linda requested Greece for next year's trip. Options are being looked into including Costa Rica.

New business – Proposed date for Regional Congress 2012 is August 24-26 at LEGA, keeping in mind that National Congress will be in San Jose the last week of June. Consider looking into a facility in southern WA or northern Oregon for the new compulsory workshops in 2013. We are requesting June 22 and 23, 2013 as our 1st choice for Congress and new routine training.

Pacific Rim Championships have been announced for next March in Everett, Washington. This will be the last international competition for US athletes before the Olympics. The meet is the Friday, Saturday, Sunday weekend before the state meets.

State reports:

Alaska – Had a clinic in the summer and will have another in October.

Hawaii- The year went pretty well, and the state voted to move the fall state meet to a week before Thanksgiving instead of the week after. Every team this year is participating in NAWGJ assigning.

Idaho – The national office ruled on a border club who no longer runs a satellite in Boise. 360 is now a Washington Club. Level 9 Western Championships in 2012 will be held in Boise at Quest Arena.

Montana- Still has 3 clubs who have not paid their head tax. So far there has been no coaches education in the state but the board did approve using Dan Alch for their 2012 camp. They are also looking at other ways to raise money such as charging to host meet, adding \$5 to state meet fee, using conference calls to spend less on meetings. Meg will be going to the Region 2-Montana training camp in October.

Oregon- They had a good state clinic. They charged \$25, had free beer and wine, and the facility was donated.

Washington- This year they had low attendance at the state clinic so they will be adding \$5 to the state entry fee to go to state.

The next meeting will be at OGA on April 12, 2012.