

Georgia USA Board Meeting

Sunday, December 2, 2007

Roswell Rec

Present: Peggy Simpson, Marian Dykes (non-voting), Gwyned Bius, Michelle Pomerantz, Kim Wood, Sheila Ragle, Becky Oppenheimer, Kim Wood, Patty Horak - Drew Davis (late)

Absent: Dennis Hayden, Chris Calvert, Brock White (Calvert/White Sent proxy), Judy Prestigiacomio, Jacobo Giron

Invited Guest: Marian Dykes

Peggy Simpson, Georgia Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:11 p.m.

1. Apparel Report – Michelle Pomerantz , Judy Prestigiacomio talked to CURE, also a pediatric AID's foundation for possible charity donations – we could possibly do as we did last year (Camp Sunshine and Children's HealthCare). Peggy Simpson added that the optional gymnasts should decide the charity. She suggested we send a brochure explaining this program to the clubs when the schedule for the optional state meet is mailed. Perhaps we could make a DVD to be accessed on the GA-USAG website.

Motion to send money to Children's HealthCare and CURE as potential recipients for donation, which would be selected by optional athletes at the 2008 State Meet - (Patty Horak), seconded by Kim Wood, **passed unanimously**.

2. The 2008 USA Prep Opt State Meet will be held with Level 7 State at Ultimate using regional qualifying rules.
3. 2008 State Meet Dates

Becky Oppenheimer mentioned that there are 5 weekends in November 2008 so we should hold Level 5 and Level 6 before Thanksgiving . There was discussion and the following dates were passed unanimously::

Level 6	November 15-16, 2008	Patty Horak, 2 nd Kim Wood
Level 5	November 22-23, 2008	Patty Horak, 2 nd Kim Wood
Level 4	December 6-7, 2008	Michelle Pomerantz, 2 nd Becky Oppenheimer

There was discussion about Level 4 team finals. Becky Oppenheimer suggested that it's important to let all clubs know why we didn't hold team finals this year – there are more and more Level 3's competing and Level 4's are really too young to understand the team final concept; they are also the first to get tired!

4. State Meet Event Specialists – it was suggested that the gymnast score 9.0 two times, but this might be too low. What levels could use event specialists? If a gymnast didn't qualify to state, could she qualify on one or two events?

Patty Horak, Becky Oppenheimer and Kim Wood will work on guidelines for event specialists and report to Peggy Simpson by December 15, 2008.

5. National Entry Fee –
Motion by Michelle Pomerantz that the USAG Board will pay entry fees for all Level 9 and Level 10's for Level 9 Easterns and Level 10 Nationals. Drew Davis seconded – **Passed Unanimously**
6. Judges' Cup – Discussion and the Board decided to postpone a decision until later in 2008.
7. Senior Gifts – Kim Wood volunteered to chair a committee for selection of gifts – Marian Dykes suggested A-One as a potential source.

The next Board Meeting will be Friday, May 30th at a site to be named later.

At the May Board Meeting, we will discuss:

- ✓ Moving the qualification date and meet entry date to the same weekend
- ✓ State Meet Site assignments will be made at this meeting.

Gwyned Bius motioned for adjournment; Sheila Ragle seconded. Meeting adjourned at 4:07 p.m.

Gwyned Bius for Brock White
GA-USAG Secretary