

# Georgia USA Board Meeting

## Sunday, June 17, 2008

### Buford, Georgia

Present: Peggy Simpson, Brock White, Gwyned Bius, Drew Davis, Judy Miller, Michelle Pomerantz, Chris Calvert, Jacobo Giron, Sheila Ragle, Becky Oppenheimer

Guests: Marian Dykes, Jon Aardema, Sharon Doyle

Absent: Dennis Hayden, Patty Horak, Kim Wood

Peggy Simpson, Georgia Chair, called the meeting to order at 11:15 a.m..

1. Confidentiality Forms – The Board members who had not yet signed this form were given a copy and then, after signing, returned to Peggy.
2. Compulsory State Meets:

Team finals will be held at Level 5 and Level 6 State as they were last year. Level 2 will compete with Level 6 and Level 3 will compete with Level 4.

Sheila Ragle suggested looking at putting Level 3 with 6 and 2 with 4 in the future; this will be studied and discussed.

State Meet Sites:

Level 5 – Gymnastix (Gwyned/Judy)

Level 3 and 4 – Dream It (Gwyned/Chris) passed 5 for, 4 against

Level 2 and 6 – GAA (Gwyned/Chris)

As was true last year, for a state meet to be held, there must be a minimum of 24 qualified and entered.

Gate fees: Child Under 3 – free  
Children Under 12 - \$4 in gym or at another facility  
Adults - \$8 in gym and \$10 at another facility  
Senior Citizens (over 65) - \$4 regardless  
These are maximum guidelines

Entries: Per individual, \$65 in gym, \$75 at another facility.

Team: \$60 for meet entry and \$60 for team finals

Team finals – 6 will compete and 4 will count for team score – 8 teams (no change from last year).

4 scores will count to qualify to team finals as well at Level 5 and 6 –  
For Level 2, 3 and 4, only 3 scores will count (same as last year)

Qualifying scores to all compulsory meets – 32.00 AA two times

Qualifying date deadlines:

Level 2 and 6            November 3, 2008

Level 5                    November 10, 2008

Level 4 and 3            November 17, 2007

The Meet Entry Deadline will continue to be 3 weeks prior to the state meet.

Meet Entry Date – Level 2 and 6            October 27, 2008

Meet Entry Date – Level 5                    November 3, 2008

Meet Entry Date – Level 3 and 4            November 15, 2008

For all compulsory levels, the gymnast must compete in three meets at the compulsory level prior to the state meet from August 1, 2007 to the qualifying deadline for that. There will be a petition process in place as well.

3. Apparel – the apparel will remain the same as in 2007-08 with a charity to be chosen by the gymnasts. Last year \$5,000 was donated to Cure Childhood Cancer,

The USA Prep Opt state team will get a warm-up leotard and TOPS gymnasts will get warm up leotards. All Level 8/9/10 Regional Qualifiers will get a leotard from the state; coaches for the Level 8 team will get apparel.

4. There will be a GA-USAG/GANAWG clinic held at Tucker Rec on August 2. Clinicians will be Pam Evans, David Pomerantz, Stacey Harris and Marian Dykes. We will ask the AAU Board to help pay clinicians; the GA-USAG will fund up to \$5,000 (Judy/Drew).
5. TOPS – Testing will be held at GGA on 6/14 and 7/12. We will provide money for someone to attend that National Tops Testing when no Georgia athletes attend.
6. The Judges Cup will be held January 3 and 4 in Florida; Georgia will not send a Level 7 team in the coming 2008-2009 year.

7. Optional Event Specialists at the 2009 Optional State Meet must have scored 8.5 at two sanctioned meets on her chosen event(s) (Judy/Gwyned).
8. USA Prep Optional Gymnasts will qualify for state with 32.00 scored one time (Sheila/Michelle)
9. The Georgia USA Board will continue paying national entry fees for Level 9's qualifying to Easterns and Level 10's qualifying to Nationals.

10. Optional State Meet Sites:

Level 7/Prep Opt – Atlanta Gymnastics Center

Level 8/9/10 – Georgia All Star Gymnastics at Kell High School

Entry fees for Optional State will be \$75 in facility, \$85 out of facility (Judy/Michelle)

Qualifying Date for 8/9/10 State – March 16, 2009

Qualifying Date for Level 7/Prep Opt State Meet – March 23, 2009

Meet Entry Deadline for 8/9/10 State – March 9, 2009

Meet Entry Deadline for Level 7/Prep Opt State – March 16, 2009

Peggy submitted the financial report. Chris Calvert reported that she has requested that her fee for hosting Safety Certifications go back to the State – so far, this is not the case. Jon will look into this.

11. The Charles Fund has \$2,765 left in it. Jon will ask the family if any out-of-pocket expenses have not been addressed; let the family decide what to do with the excess left over.
12. Coaches' attire at state meets will once again be addressed. The coaches are asked to be dressed professionally with no hats, flip flops or jeans. Drew will bring this up at the August state clinic and coaches will be privately and individually counseled at state meets.
13. At some meets the coaches' credentials are not being checked. It was again cautioned that because of background checks, members should submit their payment for 2008/09 at least two months before the expiration date.

Jon will create a new GA-USAG website before the end of the summer.

The next Board Meeting will be Friday, September 5 at Roswell Rec Center.

Brock White  
GA-USAG Secretary