

# Texas NAWGJ Board Minutes



TX NAWJG Board Meeting  
July 19, 2008  
Oklahoma City, OK

The meeting was called to order at 8:01 P.M. by SJD, Leslie Patterson.

## **I. MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE**

State Judging Director	Leslie Patterson
District 1 Assignor	Jack Dunlop
District 2/3 Assignor	Lani Yosten
District 4 Assignor	Sharon Rhea
District 5/6 Assignor	Cathy Cormier
Secretary	Jennifer Porter

## **II. UPDATES**

The board reviewed some decisions that were previously voted on via e-mail. Platinum Gymnastics will be a new site for the 2008 All Star Texas Challenge. Alamo Gymnastics will be the Judges Cup site for the Austin/San Antonio area. The Judges Cup Entry Fee will increase from \$55 to \$60 and the Team entry will increase from \$35 to \$40. All board members are upgrading computer software on Microsoft Office and Acrobat Pro 8.

## **III. TEXAS CHALLENGE**

The 2008 TX Challenge meet date: December 6, 2008 at Platinum Gymnastics in Roundrock, TX. Leslie will begin checking on prices for additional medals and Lani will be looking into a necklace design for the Team awards. The leotards for the Texas team have already been chosen and are navy with silver stars. They will have "TEXAS" across the chest in red. June Blackman is again providing the team with warm-us for a low cost of \$30. There was some talk of increasing the entry fee for the challenge this year. After discussion, the fees will remain \$75.

## **IV. NATIONAL JUDGES CUP**

Again, the top 6 athletes at the TX Challenge will get an expense paid trip as a team to the National Judges Cup held in Kissimmee, Florida – January 2,3 & 4, 2009. TX NAWGJ will also pay expenses for 1 selected team coach and one judge. The travel allowance will be reimbursed to the gym club for each athlete "up to \$600" to include airfare, 2 nights of hotel/accommodations.

## **IV. EDUCATION**

The 2008 GAT guest clinician will be Lori Reid from Washington. Leslie and Lori have planned a great schedule of sessions for the event.

## **V. PROFESSIONALISM**

**Dress Code:** Texas USAG has adopted a coaches dress code effective Fall 2008. It is not the responsibility of the judges to enforce the dress code with the coaches, however, all of us should

be aware of any specific concerns or safety hazards and should address those with the Meet Director if necessary.

**Babies on the Floor:** For obvious safety reasons, there should never be any unauthorized children/babies on the floor. Primarily, it will be the Meet Director's responsibility to take care of any problems with this issue but, again, all of us need to be aware of any safety hazards or concerns.

#### **VI. NEWSLETTER**

The board discussed the idea of not having a quarterly newsletter because all of the general information is readily available on the website. We talked about a survey that could go out to the members asking if they would prefer to keep a newsletter or if they would be indifferent.

#### **VII. PROMOTING NAWGJ**

Leslie will post a link to the National NAWGJ website about how to become a judge.

#### **VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

There was some discussion about making changes to Judges Cup awards and Team entries. The board agreed to continue the Judges Cup Team Trophy for levels 4, 5 & 6 and also ADD Team Competition for levels 2 and 3.

Motion: C.Cormier

Keep Judges Cup Team as the top 6 scores for levels 4-6 and ADD Team competition for levels 2 & 3.

Second: L. Yosten

PASSAED: Unanimously

National Course stipends: TX NAWGJ will provide all National or Brevet judges with \$100 to offset the expenses for attending the National or Brevet courses.

Online contracts! TX NAWGJ will officially begin using electronic contracts for District and State meets. Assignors will be checking judges' credentials to make sure all CPE and membership requirements have been met before assigning any meets.

It is VERY important that both the Meet Director and the Assigning Official have a signed copy of each judge's contract. The \$25 penalty for an unsigned contract will be strictly enforced from here on out.

Pay Raise! As of August 1, 2009 judges will receive another pay increase

GAT Education Grant: Unfortunately, GAT will no longer be able to provide TX NAWGJ with the \$1000 Educational Grant that they have provided in the past. TX NAWGJ greatly appreciates their contributions and support in the past.

2008-2009 Budget: The board reviewed the profit and loss statements from the past year and reviewed the Yearly Report Form.

#### **NEXT MEETING**

The TX NAWGJ Board will meet again at the TX Challenge on December 6<sup>th</sup> in Roundrock.

Motion: To adjourn at 11:00PM

Motion: J. Dunlop

PASSED: Unanimously

Submitted by Jennifer Porter;  
NAWGJ Secretary.