

National Association of Women's Gymnastics Judges – Southern California

SoCal NAWGJ Board Meeting

July 30th ,2023

Meeting called to order at 6:02pm by April Brandon, Co-State Judging Director

I. Roll Call:

Board members in attendance

April Brandon and Emily Wensel-CO State Judging Directors

Jaime O'Neil- Administrative Assistant/Webmaster/Social Media

Olivia Beltran- Financial Coordinator

JD MacDonald- Judges Educator

Briana Hetrick- Assigning Coordinator

Crystal Gunter- Events Coordinator

Natalia Barclay-Events Committee

Kenya Tyler-Secretary

Coral Hajducko- Assigning Committee

Jamie Hastings- Assigning Committee

Absent: Vicki Neuman- New judges coordinator

Brittany Tom Sun- Assigning committee

Old Business

1. Confidentiality- All members submitted the confidentiality contract and we reviewed that everything discussed in board meetings is confidential between board members.
2. Motion- Approval minutes from previous board meeting May 21, 2023

MOTION: Crystal Gunter
SECOND: JD MacDonald
PASSED

3. Thanks to our board members leaving the board for their service- Deanna Hanford, Jami Pillasch, and Kristin Alexy
4. Reports
 - a. Membership Updates- (April Brandon)
 - i. Currently we have 72 members that is a fairly low number for us, we have about 64 members that are currently judging.
 - ii. New Judges- We have several people that just test online now that the compulsory test is available that way, that is why we created a new position- New Judges Coordinator (Vicki Neuman) To reach out to the new judges and help them get set up.
 - iii. Fall Meet Cancellations- 2 Fall meets have been cancelled- Firestorm and Precision
 - a. Banking Balance and Deposits (Emily Wensel)
 - a. The Current balance in our bank account is \$107,187.87 and we have nothing outstanding as of now.
 - b. Assigning- (Briana Hetrick)
 - a. CPES- We have about 15-20 people that have not submitted their CPE records, most that haven't submitted are not judging, just a few outstanding that have been judging currently
 - b. Assigning- Briana Hetrick is the new director of assigning and on her committee will be Jamie Hastings, Coral Hajducko and Brittany Tom Sun. Most of the fall meets have been assigned and will be sent out soon. There are a few meets NGA judges will be needed this year as well.
 - c. Events- flyers (Crystal Gunter) – Crystal has created the flyers for Judges Cup and Base Score and will send to Jaime to put up on the website.

New Business

5. Website- (Jaime O'Neil) We have several new board members and if the new Board members could take a picture in your NAWGJ Jacket on a white background or wall preferably so Jaime can upload photos onto NAWGJ SOCAL site that would be great. Also Jaime will upload the base score and judges cup flyers to the website when she has them and update the calendar with meets and events
6. Education (JD MacDonald)- We will work on any upcoming clinics for new judges. We will offer testing after national/regional congress in October and maybe one in December if there is interest. 24 judges registered for National congress from SoCal. Also we will need to redirect new judges emailing to Vicki from now on.
7. There is a New mitigation form to avoid conflict of interest for multiple positions held at a meet. Briana will send the form to meet directors. There is also a new form Briana will send to meet hosts asking about what mileage requirement they might have for

providing rooms to judges. We are thinking of 45 miles as a guideline but the meet hosts can tell Briana what they would like. Also there was discussion about flying vs driving to meet and the guidelines from Rules & Policies.. if judges choose to drive then they would only be reimbursed for the cost of the flight and not the most expensive flight. Briana will let judges know any restrictions from meet hosts and then judges can decide if they want to judge the meet.

8. Brianna stated October 7th & 8th could be difficult finding judges both meets based in San Diego area. Also January 5th-7th because of the Zootastic meet needs for NGA Judges
9. National/Brevet Course. National rating will soon be divided into 4 participation rating levels. There will be More details soon to come.
10. **BASE SCORE CLINIC** – Crystal will be working on the Base Score Flyer and will send it to Jaime to post on the Website. Base Score will be in person at the Culver City Hilton on December 3rd. This will be a Regional clinic and judges can receive CPE. Theresa will be presenting and Tammy Parsons, Gigi Iavarone, and possibly Shane McIntyre helping. The Base Score Clinic will focus on defining roles at meets, be focused on optional judging, and level 6/7 vaults. We will do service awards during lunch. The lunch will most likely plated to keep cost down. Social judges will be charged \$40 to attend. JD proposed retractable green flags as a gift idea. If any other board members have gift ideas they should send them to April & Emily.
11. **JUDGES CUP**- The theme of the meet will be safari. Judges cup flyer has been done by Crystal and will be posted on the website by Jaime. Everyone on the board will need to work at least 2 out of the 3 days. Estimated start time Friday afternoon around 4pm. Set up will be Friday morning. We will have the building for the competition and the open air breezeway for the Awards and hospitality. Judges Cup will be at the Orange County Fairgrounds with similar set -up to the 2023 optional state meet. We already have 300 gymnastics registers. Optionals and excels will get feedback- We Will critique gymnasts and have forms available. We will still have the march in contest and will possibly need 3 banners for the winner for each day. Each Board member will be responsible for an area of the meet.. example- decorations, hospitality, etc.. April will create a format for what is needed e.g. music, table cloths, etc.. Judges should be picked appropriately for the level 7 session due to qualifying for national judges cup.
 - A. For outside Vendors there will be a %15 minimum that they will pay back to us. . Gold medal photography wants to handle photos for judges cup but wanted to do it with no fee or 10% pay back. April will respond back with 15% or we will not use them. Possibility of T-Shirt vendor with our logo by Northwest Designs and JD will inquire.
 - B. Emily brought up the idea of selling Fahalo Bracelets. They can go with the safari theme of meet and can sell at meet. A percentage of all sales goes to the wildlife foundation.
 - C. Concessions will be handled by the fairgrounds.

D. Parking will be \$12 and that is handled by the venue and geos to the venue, we will find out about deliveries, drop offs etc.

We will probably need to have board meetings about once a month to prepare for judge's cup and the base score clinic.

Next Meeting will be August 20th, 2023 at 6pm

April Brandon adjourned the meeting at 7:01pm