Minutes from Regional Congress State Board Meeting

State Board discusses the choice of Plan A to combine state meets to allow the Level 6 athletes to compete in the new regional championships. The date for the L6 Regionals is earlier than last year (April 19-21 this year) and we must have an earlier state meet as a result.

State board positions – There was an opening for a position on the board. The state newsletter opened a time for USAG members to run for the position. Only had one person ran for it. AJ Banker is now a member of the NY State Board – Congratulations AJ.

Steve Swider was also up for election as the XCEL Representative on the board. No one ran for this position, and Steve was re-elected to this position. Congratulations Steve.

Welcome to AJ Banker to the board and welcome to Steve Swider -both elected by the membership and are voting members.

We discussed the number of sessions from last year at all levels to make sure that this years combination of state meets will work.

Each member gave their opinion on the new schedule.

There was a proposal for there to be 16 judges for the Level 8-10 state meet and to have 8 judges for the Level 6-7 state meet. This was not approved due to the fact that all levels competing are regional qualifiers.

There was a discussion as to where to feed the judges and to also have separate award areas. Barry does not feel it will be a problem

A concern was there are 32 iPads needed. Gary and Jamie both mentioned that they have extras.

Jamie Winkler made a motion to approve the new proposed schedule of combining state championships.

Motion was second by Sharon Sparling

Vote was unanimous from the board

A discussion was held of the budget and the monies involving NYS Gymnastics. NYS Gymnastics is very healthy financially.

The declaration date to determine which level the athlete will compete that year is again Feb. 1

Food allowances for the state championships was discussed. A motion was made for \$1000 per day for the larger state meets and \$800 for the smaller meets. If there are additional expenses, the meet host would bring these additional expenses to the SC for consideration.

Calendar -

August 15 – sites go out for bid for the state championships Sept 5 – Deadline to submit a bid to host a state championship

Oct 2 – Start of judges vote for state meet through 'Election Buddy'

Oct 16 – Vote ends for judges for state meets

Oct 23 – State board meeting at 9:00 PM (Coaches only – judges are recused from call) to vote for judges on the state championships. This will be determined from the google spreadsheet of the results of the membership voting for who they wish to be each state meet.

Score verifications – The board discussed the verification of scores for the state championships. The process will be to upload a spreadsheet of USAG numbers who obtained a certain score to qualify to states.

**the requirement for host a state qualifier is to follow all of the requirements, as well as, to publish all scores on 'meetscoresonline'.

DP/XCEL Club of the Year -sub committee was formed to discuss the criteria to determine the club of the year. Subcommittee is the judges on the board – Val Stoughton, Mary Bakke, Gail Caspare and Sharon Sparling.