

Minutes from the NY Gymnastics State Board Meeting on Sunday, Oct 13, 2024

Larry Goldsmith – State Chair

Gary Gregory

Matt Towers

Jamie Winkler

Sharon Sparling

Val Stoughton

Mary Spadaro - bereavement absence

Robin Harper

Al Drozdowski

Gail Caspare

Barry Coss

AJ Banker

Dana Marion

Steve Swider

The state board met through a zoom meeting beginning at 7:30 PM.

The State Chair discussed the current finances of NYS Gymnastics. It is my goal and the goal of the State Board to give back to the NYS gymnastics community.

The following were discussed previously and reviewed at this meeting:

NYS Gymnastics will pay to provide lunch for the coaches at the Level 9/10 Regional Championships for both days of the championships - cost \$850 per lunch - total \$1,700.00

NYS Gymnastics will pay the entry fee for the New York State gymnasts who qualify for the Level 9 Eastern National Championships and the Level 10 DP National Championships - cost of approximately \$12,000.00

NYS Gymnastics will be offering the Paul Spadaro Memorial Scholarship to honor our former state chairman and to provide a senior gymnast or gymnasts an amount to be determined by the subcommittee of the NYS Board. The scholarship will follow the thoughts of Paul Spadaro that

gymnastics develops the athlete in many ways - in the gym and in the classroom as well. Details of the scholarship will be provided by the subcommittee.

The subcommittee will consist of:

- Jamie Winkler
- Robin Harper
- Al Drozdowski
- Matt Towers
- Gail Caspare

Motion by Jamie Winkler: To provide a gymnastics scholarship to a graduating senior who will continue gymnastics in college, but has not received a gymnastics scholarship. Coaches will nominate their athlete.

Second: Robin Harper

Motion by Val Stoughton to form a subcommittee to provide the details of the Paul Spadaro Memorial Scholarship.

Second: Sharon Sparling and Al Drozdowski

Election Buddy is the voting platform that USA Gymnastics requires the state to use for the voting of the judging officials for the state championships.

The total number of votes received were 114 votes. There were 56 votes from judges and 58 votes from coaches.

The coaches on the committee were given the results of election buddy. The judges from the committee were recused and the committee spent a great deal of time placing the officials on each of the state championships. The committee follows the voting results from election buddy but also tries to allow new judges opportunities to judge at the state championships.

This is a complicated and difficult process with the goal being the best officials on each state championship while still offering judges opportunities.

Many thanks to the committee for this difficult process and to Steve Swider for documenting the google spread sheet of the judging officials.

Respectfully Submitted by Larry Goldsmith -State Chair

Committee meeting ended at 10:10 PM