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Illinois USA Gymnastics Women's Committee Minutes
Monday, February 22, 2021

A general meeting (Go To Meeting) of the Illinois USA Gymnastics Women's Committee was held on Monday, February 22, 2021. Norbert Bendixen called the meeting to order at 800a.

In attendance:

Norbert Bendixen, Illinois USA Gymnastics State Administrative Committee Chairman
Cyndi Zimmerman, J.O. Chairman
Ron Nasti, Elite Chairman
Shane Sanders, Level 9/10 Chairman
Sari Engle, Level 8 Chairman
Nick Becker, Level 6/7 Chairman
Andy Morreale, Level 4/5 Chairman
Brad Tubbs, Level 3 Chairman
Cindy Morano, Xcel Gold/Platinum Chairman
Jessica Holtz, Xcel Bronze/Silver Chairman
Don McPherson, Safety Chairman
Mary Lou Ackman, Secretary
Michael Regula, Legislative Liaison (Non-Voting)
Linda McDonald, NAWGJ Representative (Non-Voting)

Level 9/10 Regionals

The Regional Committee Meeting was held and changes were made to some of the regional meet hosts and sites. These changes will be posted in the regional minutes. Regionals will be in person (live). Char Christensen has informed the Level 9/10 Regional judges that they will potentially need to be available four full days, Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday; April 15-18. This is also a possibility at ALL Regionals.

There was much discussion about Covid protocol in other states hosting regional and national meets, our gymnasts traveling to other states for regionals/nationals and what their plans are to keep our gymnasts and their families safe. Norbert is looking into these details.

Regional Meets

For State Virtual Meets, there will be a petition process to qualify to Regionals. This process has not been finalized. For all Illinois State Meets, the meet directors are required to contact Cyndi Zimmerman with their meet protocol including, number of gymnasts per session, number of spectators per gymnast and cleaning/disinfecting process.

A committee of the five meet directors will meet to go over a consistent awards presentation plan for each state meet to follow the Covid guidelines set by the state and counties.

Live streaming of each state meet will be left up to each meet director, so that they can ensure streaming will be cost effective. Mike Regula will ask Luis Sanchez, Gawk Photography his availability for each state meet. Luis is a suggested option but any service that works for the meet director can be used.

2021 National Championships

National Championships will be in Daytona Beach, Florida. The current plan is to have two days of competition with three sessions a day. There will be no welcoming party, but a zoom type welcome/information meeting.

New Compulsory Routines and State Congress

Since the national office has not finalized information for the compulsory workshops, it was decided to wait until we have confirmed information before we decide on any workshops/congress in Illinois. Everyone agreed that we need to have some type of workshop whether it is virtual or small groups in multiple gyms, keeping in mind Covid regulations. Norbert will send out an email for a mid-March meeting to revisit this topic.

Level 4 State Meet

Level 4 State Meet only has 342 gymnasts to date. A motion was made for the Level 4 State Meet that if the number of gymnast entries is not above 400, the meet director will be allowed to use one floor and a strip as opposed to two full floors.

Motion: Sari Engle Second: Andy Morreale

12 in Favor; 1 abstained

Motion Passed.

Subsequent to this meeting the numbers has surpassed 400 Athletes. This will be re-evaluated before each state meet.

Regional Leotards

In regards to regional leotards, a motion was made to offer a regional leotard to the gymnasts at our cost (including shipping).

Motion: Cyndi Zimmerman Second: Ron Nasti

All in Favor

Motion Passed.

Waiting on National Office in regards to randomization of gymnasts within squads in their rotations at State Meet. Will teams be allowed to rotate together.

Tabled Items:

New Compulsories Workshop in 2021.

2021 State Congress.

Meeting adjourned by Norbert Bendixen at 950a.

Minutes submitted by: Mary Lou Ackman

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Mary Lou Ackman, Secretary

Norbert Bendixen

Norbert Bendixen Illinois State Chairman