

Technical Committee Minutes. September 25, 2019

Present: Holly King

Trisha Leveque

- Holly gave Acro Companion (AC) update. She had a conference call with the creators and discussed their vision and how the USA can benefit. We are looking at ways to merge AC into our JO program.
- Discussion was made regarding USA Brevet judges traveling internationally. There are several areas of concern including opportunities for everyone, club meets vs. Team USA meets and the need for judges to travel with clubs even though the application process has become more relaxed. Concern is raised regarding the decrease in the need of judges vs. clubs just paying penalties. We will reassess after this season.
- Workshop agenda is being created to include ideas and brainstorming for the new quad.
- Material is being updated to present to the Regional Judging Clinicians at the workshop.
- L6 MX cannonball: question was raised that the Code/skills are different than the videos. Reference was made that a Tech Update was made regarding this but could not be located. Will address with JO committee to revisit.
- Comment was made about Level 9 and up tariffs. Now that they are encouraged to start using AC, would it be appropriate to NOT check these tariffs prior to competition? Suggesting we try this at the beginning of

the season for all locals and revisit BEFORE State Championships. May extend if all goes well.

- Hoping to have recert test online this season. Holly working on it. Everyone will still attend a live judges course but would then take their test online. Also looking into putting the first year practical exam online.
- Jeff O. just sent the National audits and they will be looked at and forward to judges that attended.
- Buddy system to be used for newly upgraded State judges. To help create proper etiquette prior, during, and after competitions.
- We are working on updating this season Acro Calendar as far as competitions, judges courses and athlete camps.
- Discussion was made regarding credit for skills. It has been expressed in the past to give credit whenever possible, to the benefit of the athlete but is this really the best for TEAM USA and what we want to teach/coach them? Will discuss this subject more at the workshop.
- We would like to establish an instructor/clinician list in coordination with the Growth and Development Committee. These individuals will be upper level/experienced judges AND coaches. This will help utilize help in the areas that are less populated with acro. We can schedule judges courses, athlete camps and a competition all on the same weekend to help save money and get a lot accomplished in one trip.

Meeting was adjourned. Next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, October 30 at 6:15pm