

# Men's Development Program Committee Meeting

Tuesday, Mar 21, 2024, via Zoom

*Meeting called to order Tuesday, Mar 21, 2024 at 12:33 EDT, By David Klein MDPC Chair*

## **A: Opening Remarks**

Many big items today so we need to watch the time. Keep comments brief please.

## **B. Roll Call**

MDPC Chairman: David Klein

Region 1: Tim Klemnauer

Region 2: Eli Richardson

Region 3: Jerit Pogue

Region 4: Dale Bullivant

Region 5: Kevin Chope

Region 6: Craig Thibaudeau

Region 7: Bob Lundy

Region 8: Kevin White

Region 9: Mark Bogoger

Athlete Rep: Joseph Buselmeier (Absent)

Athlete Rep: Eric Hoe

Athlete Rep: Alexander Castro-Perez

Athlete Rep: Alexander Kotnik (Absent)

## **Non-Voting Members**

Men's Program Manager: Lisa Mendel (Absent)

VP Men's Gymnastics: Jason Woodnick

Junior National Coaching Staff Representative: Tom Meadows

MPC Representative: Paul Sargsyan

MPC Representative: Sergei Pakanich

NGJA Representative: Peter Wieging

High performance Director: Bret McClure (Absent)

Men's Program Development Director: Raj Bhavsar

## **C. Reports**

None.

## **D. Regional Chair Elections**

Procedure will be standardized and added to charter. New States will vote in new Regions this year. USAG will administer elections this year only. Going forward regions will handle the process. Do we want a neutral party to handle vote going forward.

**Motion: To accept the election procedure dated 2/29/24**

**Motion: Kevin White**

**Second: Tim Klemptner**

**Motion Passes**

### **E. 2024 Qualification Procedures Document**

#### **Allotment Tables**

There was discussion on how the number of JE allotment numbers were determined and are we leaving kids at home? 60 has always been the number and when petitions are added, sessions are full. Also, the qualifying score 'window' will sweep in additional athletes as well.

Timeline for publication and/or setting scores needs to be clarified and this will be a discussion for the May meeting.

#### **Procedures**

Do the State Championships criteria need to be in the document if it is published after the State Championships take place. Yes, for JE at least. Should/could it be published earlier, with allotment tables added later. State Championships info will remain in the document. We need to set parameters for Tech Sequence competition at State Meet.

### **G: PETITIONS**

There are issues with petition procedures that could potentially create problems. Specifically, the use of scores from a past season. Does a doctor's note "show readiness"? Recommends using only current season scores, except for a TS score from last season. This has been discussed with counsel. With Coach, Doctor and Parents in agreement, risk has been mitigated. How does 'readiness' apply to the junior program. Counsel's understanding is that this does not apply. Can readiness be determined for such a large group of athletes? Note, previous year score allowance is only for L10 athletes.

Discussion:

We shouldn't be determining readiness. There are many scenarios where an athlete may have to use older scores. Displacing another athlete is not a factor. Do we need something quantifiable to show readiness? Should we raise the 50% criteria? We need to have a completely different criteria for JE, would accept TS or Opt scores from previous season. We should tend towards greater participation. We had this discussion in May. The decision was made. Legal is ok with it.

**Motion: Amend the document petition percentage to top 25%**

**Motion: Jerit Pogue**

**Second: Kevin Chope**

**Motion Fails**

**Motion: JN L10 must use scores from the current season. JE may use a TS and optional score from previous championship season.**

**Motion: Kevin White**

**Second: Kevin Chope**

**Motion Fails**

Question: Does the score range window (.15, .5) also apply to petitions?

Answer. No. Must use the fixed 50% standards.

### **H. Competition Rules**

L10 Sr will use Sr FIG rules with DP matting exceptions.

Clarify which bonus table is used by each group.

### **I. Awards**

Should we add a JE L8 and L9 Regional Team Award?

This is a ProScore question. Would need to be hand entered. Labor intensive.

Consensus is not to have JE L8 and L9 Regional Team award.

### **J. OTHER TOPICS**

We will reconvene Tuesday March 26<sup>th</sup> to consider 2024-2028 Optional Program and proposals from the Format Working group

**Motion to adjourn at 2:47 p.m.**

**Motion: Bob Lundy**

**Second: Tim Klempnauer**

**Motion Passes**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Date: March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024**  
**Approved; David Klein MDPC Chair**

Respectfully prepared and submitted by Kevin Chope, MDPC secretary