

Junior Selection Committee Minutes
Meeting via Zoom
December 10, 2025

Meeting called to order by Chair, Amanda Stroud at 12:07pm Central Time.

Members Present:

Glenn Morris – Coaches Rep

Bob Lundy – Coaches Rep

Steven Lukasik – Athlete Rep

Amanda Stroud – Athlete Rep and Chair

Raj Bhavsar – Development Program Director

Brett McClure – High Performance Director (voice, no vote)

Jason Woodnick – Men’s Program VP (voice, no vote)

The purpose of this meeting is to review selection procedures for the 2026 Junior international assignments. Junior international assignments for 2026 are as follows:

- DTB Pokal Team Challenge (March in Stuttgart, GER)
- Grizzly Classic (March in Calgary, CAN)
- Jr Pan Am Championships (June in Rio de Janeiro, BRA)
- Berlin Junior Team Cup (July in Berlin, GER)
- Youth Olympic Games (November in Dakar, SEN)

The committee discussed age transitions between 16, 17, and 18-year-old FIG categories and the resulting impact on rosters for 2026 assignments. The DTB Pokal competition in March will be used primarily as a preparatory meet for 16 & 17 year old National Team athletes who are eligible to compete in the Youth Olympic Games pipeline. The Youth Olympic Games (November 2026) are limited to FIG 16 & 17 year-old athletes only. FIG 18-year-olds on the Junior National Team will focus on Pan Am Championship selection.

The group reviewed the integration of competition results, video submissions, and use of discretionary criteria to ensure the strongest athletes in the appropriate age categories are selected for each assignment.

Motion: To approve the following selection procedures for 2026 Junior International Assignments that will be based off 2026 Elite Team Cup/Winter Cup Results. The committee reserves the right to determine the need for video submission from eligible athletes after the members of each region’s ETC Team are known.

DTB Procedure - Five (5) Team Members and one (1) non-traveling replacement athlete - only 2026 FIG 16 and 17 year-old Junior National Team Members will be eligible for DTB Selection, as follows:

Automatic Selections:

- **The all-around Champion from 2025 US Championships in the 16 year-old division.**
- **The top two (2) highest ranked FIG 16 or 17 year-old National Team members in the 2026 Elite Team Cup all-around results.**

Discretionary Criteria and/or Video Submission:

- **The fourth and fifth team members will be selected using discretionary criteria and/or video submissions**
- **The non-traveling replacement athlete will be selected using discretionary criteria and/or video submissions**

Grizzly Classic Procedure - Five (5) Team Members - only 2026 FIG 16 and 17 year-old Junior National Team Members will be eligible for Grizzly Classic Selection.

Automatic Selections:

- **The three (3) highest ranked FIG 16 or 17 year-old National Team members in the 2026 Elite Team Cup all-around results, who have not been named to the DTB Team. The non-traveling replacement athlete for DTB is eligible for selection to Grizzly Classic.**

Discretionary Criteria and/or Video Submission:

- **The remaining two (2) team members will be selected using discretionary criteria and/or video submissions**

Junior Pan Am Championships Procedure - Directives are not yet available - only 2026 FIG 18 year-old Junior National Team Members will be eligible for Pan Am selection.

Automatic Selection:

- **The all-around champion from the 2025 US Championships in the 17 year-old division.**
- **The two (2) highest ranked FIG 18 year-old National Team athletes in the all-around from 2026 Elite Team Cup or Winter Cup. Athletes competing in Winter Cup will have Junior Exponential Bonus applied to their scores (after the competition) to be ranked properly with ETC athletes.**

Discretionary Criteria and/or Video Submission:

- **Any remaining team members and replacement athletes will be selected using discretionary criteria and/or video submissions after the directives for the event have been published.**

Motion: Amanda Stroud

Second: Raj Bhavsar

Passed: 5-0

Due to unknown rosters for ETC/Winter Cup, it is yet to be determined if the use of video submission will be included in this process. A full list of participants for each competition should be available in early February.

The remaining meets on the 2026 Junior International calendar include Berlin and Youth Olympic Games. Selection Procedures for those assignments will be decided at a later date.

Meeting adjourned by Chair, Amanda Stroud, at 1:33pm Central Time.

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Junior Selection Committee Chair

1/7/2026

Date