

# Men's Development Program Committee Meeting

Monday, 12 May, 2025

*Meeting called to order Monday, May 12, 2025 at 9:00 am MST, By David Klein MDPC Chair*

## **A: Opening Remarks**

### **B. Roll Call**

MDPC Chairman: David Klein

Region 1: Matt Lowry

Region 2: Mark Bogoger (via Zoom)

Region 3: Jerit Pogue

Region 4: Kevin White

Region 5: Kevin Chope

Region 6: Bob Lundy

Athlete Rep: David Willet (absent)

Athlete Rep: Eric Hoe

Athlete Rep: Zachary Granados

### **Non-Voting Members**

Men's Program Manager: Lisa Mendel

VP Men's Gymnastics: Jason Woodnick

Junior National Coaching Staff Representative: Tom Meadows (absent)

MPC Representative: Paul Sargsyan

MPC Representative: Matt Henry (via Zoom)

NGJA Representative: Paul Evatt

High Performance Director: Bret McClure (absent)

Men's Program Development Director: Raj Bhavsar

Guest: Men's Program Committee Chair: Michael Serra

Quorum is established.

## **C. Approval of past minutes**

Motion: To accept minutes of 02/04/25 Meeting.

**Motion: JERIT POGUE**

**Second: KEVIN WHITE**

**Motion passes**

## D. Reports

1. Debbie Hesse and John Deary. USAG Foundation  
New Foundation Chair, Debbie Hesse on recent re-organization of the former National Gymnastics Foundation, current fund-raising opportunities and future plans.
  
2. Kevin Chope. Men's Scholarship Committee  
Funds are currently being collected. The committee will meet next week to discuss applications and make final proposals to the USAG Foundation board for approval.
  
3. Jason Woodnick, VP for Men  
The new National Coaches Council has been named to replace the former JNCS. The first reports have come in from the NAL's with very useful information. They will be made available to the community.  
National apparel and equipment contracts are in negotiation  
Three cities are in final consideration for the new National Training Center. Funding will be the prime concern.  
Winter Cup will be a one-day event for 2026. Louisville KY, Feb 19-22, 2026  
We have had a very good 1<sup>st</sup> Q with international competition.  
Discussion regarding need for a chairman for NCC.
  
4. Andy Timm. AAI  
Thanks, the MDPC for continued support. Highlights new Vault table.  
General discussion of matting specifications for championship meets.
  
5. Raj Bhavsar, Men's Program Development Director  
First year of new program has gone well. Many changes have been introduced and assimilated rather smoothly. The D score tables were in line with competitive results.  
Discussion on "quality" of presentation at DP Nationals. The current HP plan has been a success; Our Juniors have been very successful in competition. The First Future Stars Camp will be held at Flip Fest next month. Please encourage visiting coaches to attend the workshop. The Sr exponential bonus table will be used at Qualifier and USA Championships.

## LUNCH

6. Paul Evatt. NGJA  
Elections were held and new leadership was installed. All aspects of the organization are being reviewed; assignments, web site, fee schedule, judges review.  
Discussion about structure of fee schedule working group.

Motion: To recommend an MDPC member (Kevin White) be added to the Fee Schedule working group.

**Motion: BOB LUNDY**

**Second: KEVIN WHITE**

**Motion passes**

NGJA Newsletters were well received. The newsletter format will be renewed after the manual update for 2025-26. Technical sequences updates will be in a separate document. The use of video review has gone very well. It has helped in evaluating inquiries. The new COP has been released. The US is lucky to have two members on the FIG Technical committee: Butch Zunich on PH and Steve Butcher on HB.

7. Pavel Sargsyan and Matt Henry. MPC report

The new DP manual was well-received, especially the 10.0 start value for compulsories. L9 team did very well in Canada. Paul noted that the judging at DP Nationals was excellent.

8. Jerit Pogue. DP National Track Committee

Both working groups will be meeting next week to consider manual changes/updates for 25-26 season. Please send any suggestions to Jerit asap. 10.0 change for compulsories was a big success.

Q: Target date for new manual? Raj: late summer? September 1.

### **E. Regional Reorganization update**

Mark Bogoger discusses difficulties in the new Regions 2 and 6. These are being addressed, and acceptance is increasing. Bob Lundy reports that Region 6 is coming around to the new reality. The region is on a good track. Travel is the biggest challenge for both regions. David Klein thanks Mark for leading this effort, and thanks Bob for steering Region 6 into the new era.

### **F. MDPC Charter**

Amend the charter to replace the JNCS member?

Motion: To change the charter to replace "JNCS representative" with "NCC representative".  
Representative to be selected by the NCC.

**Motion: KEVIN CHOPE**

**Second: JERIT POGUE**

**Motion passes unanimously**

### **F. Elite Team Cup 2026**

Jason Woodnick. ETC will be a one-day competition with one practice day. Thu/Fri or Fri/Sat TBD. National Team 18yo's will be considered Seniors. Individual event and AA champions will be awarded from Elite Team competition. Format 8 up 6 count.

## **G. 2025 Championship season**

### 1. Eastern and Western Championships

Both meets used A/B format and were well received. Consider colors to differentiate sides. Lisa Mendel. Encourage chairs to promote bid packet.

Raj: Should we standardize when L6JE session takes place. Also, would like to add Flexibility component to the L6JE competition. (Seventh event or with another event.)

Matt: Could this be dealt with on a regional level?

Lisa: Can send invitation to help organize L6JE camp commitments before E/W.

Discussion of allotment spots and sessions.

### 2. Developmental Program National Championships

Discussion on 'quality' of the presentation of DP Nationals. Substantial chatter on the web which was mostly negative. Stefanie will talk directly with the events team to address concerns.

### 3. Championship directives.

Directives were a good summary of rules and procedures. The same type of document will be used moving forward.

### 4. Specialist procedures.

Matt Lowry, specialist working group. Shared document with new specialist proposal.

Motion: To set the specialist qualification count at top 3 or 10% of field for 7-9JN, and top 3 or 10% of each individual age group for L10JN.

**Motion: JERIT POGUE**

**Second: MARK BOGGER**

**Motion passes unanimously**

### 5. Petition working group

Working group will look at the data and come up with recommendations.

## **H. Format Discussion**

Motion: To recommend A/B format for Development Program Nationals starting in 2026

**Motion: KEVIN WHITE**

**Second: BOB LUNDY**

**Motion passes unanimously**

Discussion on schedule formats for Development Program Nationals. Format working group will create a survey to gather schedule and format preferences from coaches and parents.

Re: allotment numbers for 2026. 2025 JE sessions lasted almost 4 hours. Recommend keeping squads to 5/5.

Discussion on February 1<sup>st</sup> declaration date.

Motion: To maintain Feb 1<sup>st</sup> registration deadline for State Championships with no level/division changes allowed for JN. Division changes are allowable for JE. Allotments will be published (or revised) after Regionals Championship entries are complete.

**Motion: BOB LUNDY**  
**Second: MATT LOWRY**  
**Motion FAILS 3-5**

### I. End of Business

Motion to adjourn.

**Motion: KEVIN WHITE**  
**Second: JERIT POGUE**  
**Motion passes unanimously**

*David A Klein*

**Date: June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025**

**Approved; David Klein MDPC Chair**

Respectfully prepared and submitted by Kevin Chope, MDPC secretary.