RPC Meeting September 26th & 27th 11:00am- via zoom RPC Meeting Thursday October 5th @ 11:00am via Zoom Wednesday, October 11th @ 12:00am via Zoom Friday/Saturday October 27-28 via email

Roll Call:

Suzi DiTullio, National Administrative Committee Chair
Natalya Kozitskaya, International Elite Coaches Committee Chair
Olga Kutuzova, National Judges Representative
Catherine Yakimovich, Member At Large
Serena Lu, Athlete Representative
Elizabeta Pletneva, Athlete Representative (absent)
Anna Loescher – Program Council (guest)
Jazzy Kerber- Program Council (guest)
Caroline Hunt- Vice President Rhythmic Program (non-voting)
Kaitlin Baker- Rhythmic Program Manager (non-voting)

# 1. FIG Age Division for 2024 -

1A. Proposal Amended & Approved: In response to the FIG Junior Age Division revision, USA Gymnastics will not change the Level 9-10 Junior age division for our DVP, and FIG programs. The National Team age divisions will remain in effect. All FIG international assignments will adhere to the FIG mandate where applicable.

PP-Natalya

Second-Catherine

Vote: all

#### 2. R&P Revision -

2A. Proposal Approved: to Replace the word "rebate" with "head tax" in -Section 5, Meet Director

responsibilities.

# I. General Responsibili0es

Meet Director will be accessed a \$5 per registered gymnast Head Tax, which will be paid to the Region.

### IV. Post-Compe00on Responsibili0es

- 1. The meet director will pay the <u>head tax</u> of \$5 per registered gymnast to the Region in which the competition takes place. The head tax supports all regional activities and should be applied to all events held within the region.
  - 4. A Regional Head Tax does not apply to events run by USA Gymnastics.

PP-Olga

Second-Catherine

Vote: all

## 3. USA Gymnastics DVP Classic Event-

3A. Proposal Amended & Approved: USA Gymnastics will offer a new event- Level 6-8 DVP Classic (open to bid) event in May-June.

DVP Classic: An additional national event for Level 6-8 athletes ranked after the DVP Regional Team members (gymnasts qualified to the Regional Team are not eligible).

Qualification will use the overall ranking from the Regional Championships starting from the 13<sup>th</sup> place (unless place #13 fills a Regional Team place due to a decline, etc.)

a. Event will apply the percentage to each region by Level based on the actual competitive numbers from the Regional Championships.

Level 6 - 70 competitors Level 7- 50 competitors

Level 8-30 competitors

- b. Athletes taken in rank order (no age group).
- c. Spots can be filled by next ranking athletes up until the registration deadline or in case of injury replacement no less than 7 days from date of competition.

Note: USA Gymnastics will continue to offer the Level 4-5 Classic (open to bid) event in June/July.)

PP- Catherine Second- Olga Vote: All

- 4. DVP Team distribution:
- 4A. Proposal-DECLINED: to revamping the distribution of athlete spots after the initial regional team selection for Level 6-7-8-DVP Championships
  - a. Region Teams would be reduced to 6 athletes per Level.
- b. The remaining 144 spots would be allotted to each region by percentage of actual competitors at each regional championship. (duplicates Level 9 Classic)

Note: The DVP Championship event will not change for 2024 but revisions may be made for the next Olympic cycle.

- 5. Regional Group Qualification Tournament 2023 age eligibility waiver-
- 5A. Proposal DECLINED: A gymnast turning 6yrs old during the 2024 Individual competitive season is eligible to compete in the Regional Group Qualification Tournament in the Fall of 2023.

Reminders:

Athletes born in 2018 can compete Level 3 or Xcel in 2024 once they turn 6yrs old.

All athletes competing Level 4 must be of competitive age (6yrs old) to enter the qualification tournament.

5B.

Proposal #1 DECLINED: Athletes should receive an exception for a second year in row that if they are age-eligible in 2024 but not at the time of their RQT in 2023, they should be allowed to compete.

PP-

Catherine Second- Olga Vote: Failed

Proposal #2 DECLINED: Gymnasts who are age-eligible in 2024 for their level may qualify in ANY level group at the

**RGQT.** PP-Catherine

Second-Olga Vote: Failed

Proposal #3 Approved: Gymnasts who are age-eligible for <u>Level 5/6 in 2024</u> may qualify in either a Level 5, Level 6 or combined Level 5/6 group at the Regional Group Qualification Tournament.

PP-Natalya

Second-

Catherine Vote:

Passed

# 5C. Regional Qualification Awards:

Proposal Approved: revise Regional Group Qualification Tournament Awards: L4 Synchronized, Level 5 Floor and Level 6 Floor Groups will be awarded 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> place each Level and Age Group (RGG: Child, Junior, Senior). Additional awards or breakdown of age groups is allowed and at the discretion of the meet director.

**PP-Catherine** 

Second-

Natasha Vote:

4/1

- 6. State and Regional Championship Event timeframe and dates -
- 6A. Proposal Approved with Amendment: State and Regional championships should be conducted in 2 or 2.5-days to avoid missing additional school days. When using Friday as half day, the meet cannot start before- 2:00pm
- 6B. Proposed Dates Approved: for 2024 Regional Championships for Level 6-7-8-

April 13-14 hosted for regions- 2, 3, 5. April 20-21 hosted for regions- 1, 4, 6.

\*When a Regional Championship cannot fit into 2 or 2.5-days, Regions may conduct additional regional meets to accommodate all competitors. Suggestion: Level's 7/8 and Level 6's & Groups.

This additional meet can be combined with other levels or another region.

5A & 5B PP-Olga

**Second Catherine** 

Approved-All.

7. Charter for NAC – restructure of the NAC committee to come into compliance:

7A. Proposal Approved: to restructure including Six Regional Chairs having 3 voting Administrative Zone Reps, including 3 Technical Zone Reps (voice/no vote), with 2 voting Athlete Reps to meet the USOPC mandate.

PP - Olga

Second-

Catherine Vote:

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#### 8. Level mobility rule-

8A. Proposal DECLINED: to allow athletes to skip up to two levels, the current rules allow athletes to skip one level after completing the competitive season.

PP-Catherine Second-

none No

vote

# 9. Move the state of Nevada into Region 2-

9A. Proposal Approved: To relocate the state of Nevada into Region 2 starting July 2024 to help redistribute the total numbers of active athletes.

PP Catherine Second Suzi Vote: All

#### 10. Qualification Procedures for Elite Qualifier in 2024

10A. Proposal Approved: Elite Qualifier Qualification Process for all current Level 9-10 athletes will not change for 2024- PP- Catherine

Second-Suzi Vote: All

10B. Qualification Procedure to Gym Champs in 2024-

Proposal Approved: remove the level distinction (level 9 or level 10) from the field of athletes advancing into National Championships

- a. Top 25 JR & 25 SR from Elite Qualifier advance to Elite Gym Champs (no change)
- b. The remaining available places in rank order JR & SR <u>regardless of level distinction</u> will advance to JR National Championships and SR National Championships.

PP-

Catherine Second- Suzi Vote: All

- 11. Removing the competitive Level title for FIG athletes-tabled
- 12. R&P Section Judging Officials

12A. Practical directives for Judges- sent to the Judges Task Force

12B. Judges CPE credits-

Proposal Approved: To remove the yearly CPE credit requirement for all DVP & FIG

judges. PP-Olga Seconded- Catherine Vote: All

Respectfully submitted: 10/31/2023

Suzi DiTullio, RPC Chair Zone 3, Administrative Rep. USA Gymnastics R4, Regional Chair

### Dec 4th, 2023 Working Meeting Minutes Zoom 12:00-1:10pm

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# Coaches' Reminders for appropriate Behavior at competitions.

Warmup behavior- disturbing and boarder line rude. Level of Verbal discussion when presenting athletes on the carpet or after routine level of verbal reprimanding in public or within area of on deck Entry and Exit should be without incident or distraction to the next athlete.

# Judges TASK FORCE formed to address Chapter 4 revisions.

DVP coordinator vs Head Judge/Meet referee assignment. Head Judge expectations - behavior. Solicitation and conflict of interest update National events selection process-Judges Log needed only for upgrade of a judge's rating.

### **All Program Meeting**

Organization of presentation Assignment of presenters

Respectfully submitted: 12/4/23 Suzi DiTullio, RPC Chair Zone 3, Administrative Rep. USA Gymnastics R4, Regional C