



Trampoline and Tumbling Program Committee Meeting
September 21-22, 2017

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| Program Director | Dr. George Drew |
| Program Director | Jacqui Godfrey |
| Program Chair/Technical Chair | Patti Conner |
| Elite Committee Chair | Scott Lineberry |
| Athlete Representative | Austin White |
| JO Committee Chair | Peter Dodd |
| T&T Program Manager | Natalie Joachim |
| T&T Program Coordinator | Soledad Decca |
| Guest: VP Program Development | Luan Peszek |
| Guest: High Performance Coordinator | Catherine Cabral-Marotta |
| Guest: Tumbling & DMT Rep | Sergio Galvez |
| Guest: National Team Head Coach | Nuno Merino |
| Guest: Junior National Team Coach | Steven Gluckstein |

Meeting called to order at 9:15 a.m. on September 21, 2017.

1. Program Committee Meeting Overview

The current Program Director, George Drew, welcomed the committee and discussed the year in review. Drew has announced his retirement and his last day will be Oct. 6, 2017. Jacqui Godfrey was in attendance and has started as the new Trampoline and Tumbling Program Director. Drew and Godfrey will work together through Oct. 6 for a smooth transition.

2. Meeting Minutes Acceptance

Motion to accept the minutes from September 15th, 2016 and September 9th, 2016.

Motion: Peter Dodd

Second: Patti Conner

Vote: 4-0

3. Committee Reports – Year in Review

Elite Committee Review — Scott Lineberry

- Reviewed the National Team Coaches that were appointed towards the beginning of the year and their successes thus far.
- Discussed the dedication to bring the Rules & Policies in line with FIG and the work to standardize the selection processes.
- Examined the EDP Program and what needs to be done to establish more purpose/meaning for the coaches and athletes.
- Discussed the successful results from the World Games.

J.O. Committee Review — Peter Dodd

- Overview of membership numbers and trends
- Expressed needs and factors for growth and retention
- Discussed opportunities for improvement:
 - Xcel Program
 - TDC Program - what are the retention numbers
 - Standardized Scoring System – meet directors forced to find their own solutions, impossible to run events with efficiency, hesitant to bid on events, no central database for scores
 - Collecting Membership Data
 - Site selection for national events (announcing events 3-5 years in advance)
 - Consistent leadership
 - Increased education for our state and regional chairs
 - Use of technology in strategic planning

Technical Committee Review — Patti Conner

- This past year, the Technical Committee worked to develop a new Education Program
- Discussed the pros and cons of T210. The Technical Committee would like to remove the T210 requirement for all coaches in 2018 but continue to require the education for judges.
- Review the new courses that were provided this year.
- New Category 3 courses.
- Category 2 courses will focus on difficulty and chair of the Judges panel.
- New Educational Opportunities
- In the process of developing a T&T E-book. The E-book is a compilation of routine videos for Level 1-10 (Trampoline, Tumbling, Double-Mini), Code of Points, and shorthand descriptions. This E book will include “Understanding Scoring & Difficulty” and everything you need to know in one location.

Athlete Representative — Austin White

- Overview of the selection procedures in the eyes of the athletes.
- Review improvements to be made for USA Gymnastics Championships, especially in regard to timing and scheduling of competitions
- Discussed how to keep the Elite Athletes engaged, specifically the Double-Mini and Tumbling Athletes.

High Performance Coordinator — Catherine Cabral-Marotta

- This year, the base line for an Athlete Support System was introduced.

- The focus has now been shifted to setting up our athletes for the 2020 Olympics and analyzing different programs to help our program develop.
- Began collecting data and using it to determine the growth of different athletes.
- Coaches' Education – articles and sessions at national level events.

4. 2017-2018 USA Gymnastics T&T Calendar

The Winter Classic Bidding Process was introduced. A form will be developed and placed on the website for clubs who are interested in bidding to host a future event.

Discussed the need for the National Calendar to be set and posted a minimum of one year in advance.

Motion to accept the calendar as presented.

Motion: Scott Lineberry

Second: Peter Dodd

Vote: 4-0

5. Qualification for Nationals

J.O. Qualifying scores for all events

Motion to accept the Double-Mini J.O. Qualifying Scores as presented, to be released in an upcoming Technical update.

Motion: Peter Dodd

Second: Scott Lineberry

Vote: 4-0

Motion to accept the Trampoline JO Qualifying Scores as presented, to be released in an upcoming Technical update.

Motion: Patti Conner

Second: Scott Lineberry

Vote: 4-0

Motion to accept the Tumbling JO Qualifying Scores as presented, to be released in an upcoming Technical update.

Motion: Patti Conner

Second: Peter Dodd

Vote 4-0

Motion to accept the Elite Qualifying Scores as presented, to be released in an upcoming Technical update.

Motion: Scott Lineberry

Second: Austin White

Vote: 3-0

6. Automatic Qualifying for National Team and Junior National Team

Motion that the EDP Team is no longer eligible to automatically qualify to USA Gymnastics Championships (Rules & Policies Section VI: II A 12 will no longer apply to the EDP team)

Motion: Scott Lineberry

Second: Patti Conner

Vote: 4-0

7. Petition process for USA Gymnastics Championships for all levels

Motion that Senior Elite athletes have an additional requirement to have placed 1st, 2nd, or 3rd, or the top fifty (50) percent, in the same discipline at the previous USA Gymnastics Championships, to be allowed to petition to participate in the current USA Gymnastics Championships. Rules & Policies Section VI. II B 1 to be amended accordingly.

Motion that Youth, Junior, and Open Elite athletes be required to have placed 1st, 2nd, or 3rd, or the top fifty (50) percent, in the same *discipline* at the previous USA Gymnastics Championships, to be allowed to petition to participate in the current USA Gymnastics Championships. Rules & Policies Section VI. II B 2 to be amended accordingly.

Motion: Patti Conner

Second: Peter Dodd

Vote: 4-0

Motion that Level 10 athletes be required to have placed 1st, 2nd, or 3rd, or the top fifty (50) percent, in the same *discipline* at the previous USA Gymnastics Championships, to be allowed to petition to participate in the current USA Gymnastics Championships. Rules & Policies Section V. I E 4 c ii to be amended accordingly.

Motion: Patti Conner

Second: Peter Dodd

Vote: 4-0

8. Mobility Requirements

J.O. Mobility Scores for all events

Motion to accept the Double-Mini J.O. Mobility Scores as presented, to be released in an upcoming Technical update.

Motion: Patti Conner

Second: Peter Dodd

Vote: 4-0

Motion to accept the Trampoline J.O. Mobility Scores as presented, to be released in an upcoming Technical update.

Motion: Patti Conner

Second: Scott Lineberry

Vote: 4-0

Motion to accept the Tumbling J.O. Mobility Scores as presented, to be released in an upcoming Technical update.

Motion: Patti Conner

Second: Peter Dodd

Vote: 4-0

Motion to accept the Elite Mobility Scores as presented, to be released in an upcoming Technical update.

Motion: Scott Lineberry

Second: Austin White

Vote: 3-0

9. Instatement for all Elite Levels

Due to safety concerns, all athletes entering the trampoline and tumbling program must follow the trampoline and tumbling mobility requirements.

Motion that all athletes entering the trampoline and tumbling program must follow the trampoline and tumbling mobility requirements as per Rules & Policies Section V. I D 8.

Motion: Scott Lineberry

Second: Patti Conner

Vote: 4-0

10. Timeline for Elite Mobility Approvals

Motion that the Elite Mobility request must be filed at the latest, 72 hours before the competition begins, at the requested level.

Motion: Scott Lineberry

Second: Peter Dodd

Vote: 4-0

11. Discussion regarding mandatory or optional video at national events. USA Gymnastics may do video, however this is at USA Gymnastics' discretion and is not compulsory.
12. Summary of the HUGS T&T Program. HUGS T&T is a program for athletes with special needs and stands for Hope Unites Gymnastics with Special Needs Athletes. This program has recently been proactive in adding Trampoline and Tumbling as an offered discipline:

Motion to accept a HUGS T&T program which will live with the other HUGS programs in the Gymnastics for All discipline.

Motion: Patti Conner
Second: Peter Dodd
Vote: 4-0

13. Routine Recommendations
Discussion regarding routines from this past year.

Motion that any Elite Tumbling athlete may execute one double salto at any point during a pass without penalty. In a pass in which a double salto is executed at any point in a pass other than the eighth skill, then the athlete may use a single salto as the eighth skill of the pass without penalty.

Motion: Patti Conner
Second: Peter Dodd
Vote: 4-0

Motion to increase the bonus award from 1.0 to 3.0 for any Senior Elite female, Open Elite, Junior Elite and Youth Elite tumbling athlete for executing a double salto in a pass other than the eighth skill.

Motion: Scott Lineberry
Second: Peter Dodd
Vote: 4-0

Motion to include in pass requirements for all Tumbling Elite Levels, a minimum of four saltos in each pass.

Motion: Patti Conner
Second: Scott Lineberry
Vote: 4-0

Meeting adjourned for the day at 5:33 p.m.

Meeting begins the following day, September 22, at 9:08 a.m.

14. Education

Beginning in 2018 the T210 course will be mandated for judges and will no longer be mandated for coaches.

15. Elections

Conversation of creating Program Standards for elections.

Motion to include in the Rules and Policies Section II under Vacancies -- in the event a member of the Program Committee resigns or is terminated, the Program Director will appoint an interim member, with the approval of the Program Committee, until the election process is complete.

Motion: Patti Conner

Second: Peter Dodd

Vote: 4-0

16. Membership

Redrawing Regional Lines

Discussion on the relative number of athletes within the current T&T Regions. There are challenges with the number of athletes in Region 3, relative to other regions. Proposed that some states currently in Region 3 be reallocated into smaller regions. Colorado would move to Region 1, Kansas to Region 4, and Arkansas and Louisiana to Region 5.

Regional Chairs of all regions affected have been engaged, and have expressed no concerns.

Rationale for the proposed change effective January 2018:

- Region 3 is experiencing difficulty completing their Regional Championships within 4 full days. The region has expressed concern with either extending the current championships to more days, or running two Regional Championships which are broken down by level.
- The change will enable all regions to be similar in numbers and therefore greater consistency across the country.
- Growing smaller regions so that they are more able to support their athletes and gain national success.
- Smoother and more consistent growth across all regions.

2017 numbers before and after the proposed change:

| | Before | After |
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| Region 1 | 1,255 | 1,362 |
| Region 2 | 1,706 | 1,706 |
| Region 3 | 2,579 | 1,987 |
| Region 4 | 1,500 | 1,776 |
| Region 5 | 1,031 | 1,263 |
| Region 6 | 1,026 | 1,026 |

Patti Conner abstains.

Motion that Colorado moves to Region 1, Kansas moves to Region 4, and Arkansas and Louisiana move to Region 5 to be effective January 2018.

Motion: Peter Dodd
Second: Scott Lineberry
Vote: 3-0

17. New Rules and Education
Code of Points

Motion to accept the Trampoline, Tumbling and Double-Mini 2017-2020 J.O. Code of Points, which will be formatted as an e-book and sold online.

Motion: Patti Conner
Second: Peter Dodd
Vote: 4-0

Motion to adjourn meeting at 2:57 p.m. on September 22, 2017.

Motion: Patti Conner
Second: Peter Dodd
Vote: 4-0