

WOMEN'S PROGRAM NATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING Via ZOOM Thursday, April 30, 2020

Meeting was called to order by Cori Rizzo (NACC) at 4 PM on Thursday, April 30, 2020.

Roll Call:

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NACC	Cori Rizzo	Christy Naik – JOPD
Region 1	Evelyn Paradis	Connie Maloney – JOTD
Region 2	Marian DeWane	Annie Heffernon – VP WAG
Region 3	Kim Lauderdale-Stepanek	Erica Koven – VP Membership
Region 4	Rick Nelson	Cheryl Jarrett – Congress
Region 5	Dave Stiles	Li Li Leung – President/CEO
Region 6	Kathy Ostberg	Stefanie Korepin – CPO
Region 7	Jennifer Bortz	Kim Krantz – VP Athlete Health & Wellness
Region 8	Deb Kornegay	Tom Koll – NJOCC
NACC – Incoming	Jennifer Krause	Cheryl Hamilton – NTCC
		Claudia Kretschmer - NXCC

 Cori Rizzo – National Administrative Committee Chair Cori welcomed the committee and thanked everyone for their commitment to the Women's Program.

- Li Li Leung President/Chief Executive Officer, USA Gymnastics
 Li Li thanked the committee for being the backbone of the organization during these unprecedented
 times. She asked the committee for any suggestions on items to be added to the COVID-19 resources
 page, and also informed them that a #GymAgain video was made available for all members to share to
 spread the campaign messaging.
- Erica Koven VP Membership, USA Gymnastics
 Erica touched base on the opening of the new season, as well as the different opportunities and
 challenges that will come with that. While there is no set date yet, more guidance will be provided later
 in May. Members can expect to see minor changes with the registration process for the 2020-2021
 season.
- 4. Cheryl Jarrett Congress Architect/Member Services Cheryl addressed the committee to express her appreciation for all of their time, effort, flexibility, ideas, and communication with their membership while having to adjust 2020 educational events. Even with the changes that have been made, Regional Congresses are close to being finalized and event announcements can be expected by the end of May.
- Tom Koll National JO Committee Chair Tom provided a summary from the JO Committee meeting that took place on Monday, April 27, 2020. The Women's Program Service Award for 2020 was discussed, and Tom requested that all suggestions be sent to Christy Naik – <u>cnaik@usagym.org</u>.
- 6. Cheryl Hamilton National Technical Committee Chair Cheryl asked the committee for input on the backless leotard effective date, as the Technical Committee is trying to be mindful of the current climate for the athletes, coaches, clubs and leotard manufacturing companies when deciding to implement these changes. The Technical Committee will meet for their annual meeting on Saturday, May 9, 2020.



- Claudia Kretschmer National Xcel Committee Chair Claudia provided an update on the current Xcel participant numbers. The Xcel Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 5, 2020.
- 8. Kim Krantz VP Athlete Health and Wellness, USA Gymnastics Kim discussed the projects her department is currently working on. As clubs slowly re-open, one of the department's top priorities is to put together guidelines on athlete training to avoid physical injury, as well as supporting mental health during this time.
- Stefanie Korepin Chief Programs Officer, USA Gymnastics Stefanie thanked the committee for all of their support of USA Gymnastics. She also provided an update on the event planning and rescheduling for all programs for 2020/2021, as well as answered the committee's questions regarding the current status of mediation.
- 10. Discussion about allowing USA Gymnastics member athletes living on Department of Defense bases in other countries the opportunity to obtain qualifying scores and to compete into state, regional, or national competitions. Multiple issues arose during the discussion, including a lack of information regarding athlete numbers, unknown amounts of active DOD bases that could potentially be interested in participating, and no current criteria established for the assignment of athletes to states or regions. Due to these factors, this item has been tabled until additional research can be completed.
- 11. Discussion regarding the "next athlete eligible invitation" plan for JO Nationals, which is currently stated in the *Women's Program Rules and Policies*, page 89.H.2.a.2). This proposal would have applied in 2020 and will apply to 2021 JO Nationals.
- 12. Discussion concerning injury petitions for 2021. Similar to the JO Committee, the Administrative Committee would like to stress the importance of flexibility for athletes in the 2021 season. As such, all injury petition procedures for State and Regional Championships will be adjusted in the Women's Program Rules and Policies to reflect the 2019 season as the "previous season".
- 13. Discussion regarding current refund policies for cancelled State or Regional meets. The language "or other event beyond the control of the meet host" will be added to the already established cancellation policy from the *Women's Program Rules and Policies*.
- 14. Discussion concerning the status of industry guidelines for reopening gymnastics clubs was addressed by Kim Krantz – VP of Athlete Health and Wellness at USA Gymnastics. Working together with a council of multi-discipline medical staff, club owners and coaches, the Athlete Health and Wellness department at USA Gymnastics is working to compile industry best practices to release to the community within the next couple of weeks.

Meeting Adjourned 5:55 PM, Thursday, April 30, 2020.