



NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, May 11, 2026

Sheraton Oklahoma City Downtown Hotel - Oklahoma City, OK

The meeting was called to order by National Development Program Committee Chair (NDPCC) Tom Koll at 5:15 PM.

Roll call:

Region	Development Program Committee	Voting Status
National Committee Chair	Tom Koll	Non-voting*
Region 1	JD MacDonald	Voting
Region 2	Tiffany Quincy	Voting
Region 3	Rich Villarreal	Voting
Region 4	Paige Roth	Voting
Region 5	Kittia Carpenter	Voting
Region 6	Jamie Winkler	Voting
Region 7	Linda Johnson	Voting
Region 8	Brad Harris	Voting
Athlete Representative	Jaylene Gilstrap	Voting
Athlete Representative	Chae Campbell	Voting
Guests		
National Xcel Committee Chair (NXCC)		Claudia Kretschmer
Vice President, Women's Program		Annie Heffernon
Development Program Director		Christy Naik
Xcel Program Manager		Heather Ould
AAI		Andy Timm
Gotham Gymnastics		Daniel Miranda

*Casts a vote only in the case of a tie or acclamation.

1. REGIONAL NOMINATIONS FOR THE 2026 NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM OF THE YEAR

The following clubs were nominated by their respective regions and submitted for consideration to the National Development Program Committee. The final selection was made by vote of the National Committee. Regional nominations for the National Program of the Year:

- Region 1: Royal Gymnastics and Sports Academy - Tracy, CA
- Region 2: Pacific Reign - Woodinville, WA
- Region 3: AIM Athletics – The Woodlands, TX
- Region 4: Twin City Twisters - Champlin, MN
- Region 5: Queen City Gymnastics - Cincinnati, OH
- Region 6: Infinity Elite - Syosset, NY
- Region 7: Capital Gymnastics National Training Center - Burke, VA
- Region 8: Brandy Johnson's Global Gymnastics - Clermont, FL

Congratulations to the 2026 National Development Program of the Year:

Capital Gymnastics National Training Center - Burke, VA

UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED, THE FOLLOWING CLARIFICATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CHANGE ARE EFFECTIVE FOR THE 2026-2027 SEASON, SCHEDULED TO BEGIN AUGUST 1, 2026.

2. **RULES & POLICIES - MOBILITY:** Recommendation to update the mobility score requirement for an athlete to mobilize directly from Level 4 to Level 6 (skipping Level 5). The two (2) 36.00 All-Around scores may be from the current or previous season.

MOTION: Linda Johnson (R7)

SECOND: Kittia Carpenter (R5)

PASSED

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3. **RULES & POLICIES – EQUIPMENT/MATTING:** Recommendation to allow a springboard to be placed on an 8” mat for mounting purposes.
MOTION: Jamie Winkler (R6)
SECOND: Chae Campbell (Athlete Representative)
PASSED
4. **RULES & POLICIES – EQUIPMENT/MATTING – LEVEL 6/7 VAULT:** Recommendation to update the allowance of an alternate skill cushion made of softer foam (minimum of 4 ft. x 6 ft. x 8 in., i.e. Pit Pillow) being allowed at invitationals and REQUIRED at State Championships and above to include Level 6 (currently L7 ONLY). This alternate skill cushion does NOT count towards the required mat stack height but rather would be an addition once the required mat stack height has been achieved.
MOTION: Tiffany Quincy (R2)
SECOND: JD MacDonald (R1)
PASSED
5. **RULES & POLICIES – EQUIPMENT/VAULT MAT STACK – LEVEL 6/7 VAULT:** Recommendation to clarify that the Level 6/7 Vault Mat Stack does NOT have to touch the vault table and may be moved back. The base mat MUST be positioned against the vault table.
MOTION: Paige Roth (R4)
SECOND: Rich Villarreal (R3)
PASSED
6. **RULES & POLICIES – EQUIPMENT/VAULT MAT STACK:** Recommendation to amend: If using a 4-inch base mat, an additional minimum 8-inch mat is REQUIRED on the floor at the end of and touching the Mat Stack, opposite the table.
MOTION: Linda Johnson (R7)
SECOND: Rich Villarreal (R3)
PASSED
7. **RULES & POLICIES – EQUIPMENT/VAULT:** Recommendation to add the AAI Tac-10 Pro Elite vault table to the equipment list for Level 9 East/West Championships and Level 10 Nationals, **effective 2027**.
MOTION: JD MacDonald (R1)
SECOND: Paige Roth (R4)
PASSED
8. Recommendation to adopt the following motions brought forward from the Administrative Committee that fall under the jurisdiction of the Development Program committee:
 - a. **RULES & POLICIES – PETITION PROCEDURES:** Recommendation to the Development Program Committee for consideration to revise petition procedures to reflect: Any athlete who has prior competitive experience in the Development Program, competes in State Meet in an alternate program (e.g. Xcel or other organization), must submit a petition to RE-ENTER the Development Program at the level they are eligible to enter/compete.
 - b. **RULES & POLICIES - DECLARATION DATE:** Recommendation to the Development Program for consideration to allow the SAC (State Administrative Committee) to remove the requirement of determining a declaration date for the Dev program.
MOTION: Linda Johnson (R7)
SECOND: Kittia Carpenter (R5)
PASSED

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RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE WOMEN'S PROGRAM COMMITTEE (WPC)

The following items are recommendations to the Women's Program Committee (WPC) for consideration. All recommendations submitted to the WPC are subject to review. The WPC has the authority to approve, change, or reject any recommendation, in full or in part, as it sees fit.

9. **OPERATING CODE/DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM COMMITTEE CHARTER:** Recommendation to the Women's Program Committee (WPC) to:
- Add to responsibilities of the Development Program Committee (DPC) responsibilities: Determine annually the National Development Program of the Year.
MOTION: Rich Villarreal (R3)
SECOND: Brad Harris (R8)
PASSED
 - Add to the responsibilities of the RDPCC: Bring forward annually their respective Regional Program of the Year to determine the National Development Program of the Year.
MOTION: Tiffany Quincy (R2)
SECOND: Jaylene Gilstrap (Athlete Representative)
PASSED

RECOMMENDATIONS TO USA GYMNASTICS

The following items are recommendations to USA Gymnastics for consideration. All recommendations submitted to USA Gymnastics are subject to review. Implementation of any recommendation is contingent upon formal approval by USA Gymnastics. USA Gymnastics has the authority to approve, change, or reject any recommendation, in full or in part, as it sees fit.

10. **RULES & POLICIES – LEVEL 9 EASTERN/WESTERN CHAMPIONSHIPS:** Recommendation to USA Gymnastics to remove the training day from Level 9 Eastern/Western Championships and to add Individual Event Specialist sessions. This motion is approved for implementation in 2027, with the committee continuing to work through and finalize the specific format, qualification procedures, and operational details for the new sessions.
MOTION: Paige Roth (R4)
SECOND: Jamie Winkler (R6)
PASSED

DISCUSSION

The committee discussed the following topics, but NO ACTION was taken:

- Review proposal from Region 6 member.
- Review National Club Of The Year - Leaderboard Point System proposal brought forward by Daniel Miranda of Gotham Gymnastics.
- Explore options of bringing in Level 9 and 10 alternates after the competition has begun on the first event. Additional communication with ProScore on logistics is needed to better understand feasibility.
- Expected enforcement of required equipment at L9 East/West and L10 Nationals.
- Uneven Bars set up at sanctioned events – Individuals setting up equipment not in alignment with manufacturer specifications.
- Use of carpet bonded foam from L10 training day as supplemental floor padding for cement floor.
- Tension meter on bars
- Increased coach injuries from setting Uneven Bars recently.

ACTION ITEMS

- Equipment specification chapter in R&P – discrepancies to be corrected in consultation with outside equipment professional.
- The committee would like to ask AAI to consider adding the below to the equipment list for Level 9 East/West and Level 10 Nationals, effective 2027:
 - Mount Trainer mat - for mounting on Uneven Bars and Balance Beam
 - 7x10x8 inch mats - Vault and Beam

At 9:03 p.m., a motion to adjourn was made by Chae Campbell, seconded by Jaylene Gilstrap, and carried.