

Region V Committee Meeting
September 23, 2007; 1:00 – 3:30 p.m.
Indianapolis, IN

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bobbi Montanari, RACC at 1:00 P.M.

II. ROLL CALL

Present

Bobbi Montanari, Regional Administrative Committee Chairman (RACC)

Char Christensen, Regional Technical Committee Chairman (RTCC)

John Geddert, Regional Junior Olympic Committee Chairman (RJOCC)

Mary Lee Tracy, Regional Elite Committee Chairman (RECC)

Norbert Bendixen, Illinois Administrative Committee Chairman (SACC: IL)

Ed Gibson, Indiana Administrative Committee Chairman (SACC: IN)

Vicki Smith for Cap Caudill, Kentucky Administrative Committee Chairman (SACC: KY)

Douglas Rowe, Michigan Administrative Committee Chairman (SACC-MI)

Nina Dent, Ohio Administrative Committee Chairman (SACC: OH)

Hilary Carlson, Region V-NAWGJ Judging Director

Augusta Lipsey, Regional Secretary

Absent

Kittia Carpenter, Assistant Regional JO Committee Chairman

Kathy Shufflin, Past Regional Chairman

III. OVERVIEW OF REGION 5 CONGRESS

Bobbi Montanari, RACC, thanked the committee for all their hard work at the Regional Congress particularly the set up of the banquet. Concerns were presented to improve the 2008 Region 5 Congress.

- A. Bobbi Montanari will have more contact with the hotel concerning the banquet.
- B. The Regional Administrative Committee is requesting that the 2008 Region 5 Congress be held in Indianapolis and to consider the 2009 and 2010 Region 5 Congresses for the Chicago area.
- C. The RAC recommends that the 2008 Region 5 Congress be held the third or fourth weekend in September. The first two weekends are not advisable because they interfere with the beginning of the fall sessions at most gymnastics clubs.
- D. A video camera projected on a screen should be provided in the sessions where demonstrators are used so that their performance can be viewed by everyone.
- E. A local club should be assigned to be in charge of providing equipment for the sessions.
- F. The RAC discussed honoring all national champions at the Congress banquet. The procedures for including them in the banquet will be discussed at the next RAC meeting in June. The June meeting will also include determining how to get people to the banquet without telling them they are being honored.
- G. Honored athletes and coaches will eat first at the banquet.
- H. The screen at the banquet will be placed in the middle of the room for better viewing.

- I. Have more than one DVD player rather than computers available for the congress sessions so that slow motion, pause and rewind capabilities will be available.
- J. More greeters should be at the registration table. They should be helpful, positive and pleasant.
- K. Electronic versions of the sessions should be made available for purchase.
- L. Lower priced items should be provided at the auction. Items can be auctioned that are not gymnastics related. A list of the items to be auctioned should be publicized prior to the auction.
- M. Mary Lee Tracy will be in charge of publicity on the auction.
- N. Nina Dent will be in charge of the main registration table where presenters, vendors and professional members pick up their Congress information.
- O. Nina Dent will be in charge of the registration table at the banquet
- P. Norbert Bendixen will develop the trivia questions and direct and distribute the prizes for the trivia contests.
- Q. Hilary Carlson is the auctioneer.

IV. REGIONAL MEET BIDS

The Regional Administrative Committee received one bid for the Level 8 Regional Championships and two bids for the Level 9/10 Regional Championships.

Motion was made to accept the bid from Kris Kowalski of Olympic Academy of Ohio for the Level 8 Regional Championships provided that the bid be adjusted to meet the two gym requirement for the meet.

Motion: John Geddert
2nd: Doug Rowe
Passed: Unanimous

Both bids for the Level 9/10 Regional Championships were acceptable so a silent vote was conducted to choose the site for the meet. The results of the vote were as follows.

Gedderts Twistars: 5 votes
DeVeau's Gymnastics: 3 votes

The Level 9/10 Regional Championships will be held in Lansing, Michigan hosted by Geddert's Twistars.

V. INDIVIDUAL EVENT SPECIALISTS

Motion was made to allow specialists at all Regional Championships.

Motion: Char Christensen
2nd: Nina Dent
Passed: Unanimous

VI. FALL NEWSLETTER

October 1st is the deadline for Bobbi Montanari to receive articles for the Fall Newsletter.

VII. HALL OF FAME

The Region 5 Hall of Fame proposal was presented to the RAC. The proposal was reviewed and changes were made. The proposal will be rewritten and presented for approval to the RAC by E-mail. The inaugural class of the Region 5 Hall of Fame will be inducted at the 2008 Region 5 Congress Banquet.

VIII. JUDGING RECOMMENDATIONS

Char Christensen presented a list of all the judges that have participated or will be participating in the 2007 regional camps. After some discussion by the committee members that are not judges the following judges were recommended to represent Region 5 at National Championships.

Level 10 Junior Olympic Championships (listed alphabetically)

Kittia Carpenter
Char Christensen
Augusta Lipsey
Sandy Oldham

Level 9 East Championships (listed alphabetically)

Hilary Carlson
Nina Dent
Judy Kemp

Alternates (listed in rank order)

1. Donna Trevethan
2. Nancy Gibson
3. Judy Dobransky
4. Carole Liedtke

IX. USAG RULES & POLICIES

The RAC discussed recommending to the USAG national office that late fees be increased the closer the entry is received to the meet date. Norbert Bendixen will write a proposal to USAG and present it to the Regional Administrative Committee for approval.

The RAC will recommend to the USAG national office that changes to the Rules & Policies be supplied to the SACC's by June 30th so that the state Rules & Policies can be published on a timely basis.

X. NEW BUSINESS

The next meeting of the Regional Administrative Committee will be on June 12, 2008 at 3:00PM in Indianapolis. Ed Gibson will make arrangements for the meeting.

Clinician recommendations for the 2008 Region 5 Congress should be E-mailed to Bobbi Montanari.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 3:30 PM

Respectfully Submitted 9/25/07
Augusta A. Lipsey
Regional Secretary