Region 7 Committee Meeting Minutes

June 15, 2017

Sheraton Inner Harbor Hotel, 6:30 pm.

Present: Jen Bortz (RACC), Myra Elfenbein (RTCC), Linda Johnson (RJOCC) , Jane Caruso (RXCC), Bonnie Synol (RJD), Cleo Washington (DE), Steve Garman (VA), Adam Bowman (WV), Donna Guenther (PA), Jay Barrows (MD)

Absent: Brant Lutska (NJ)

Agenda Items:

1. Review of regional congress schedule and logistics
   1. Shirts, jackets, leotard sales, Friday night wine and cheese, Saturday Taste of Region 7.
   2. Help will be needed at registration at 7:30 am
2. Review of financial statement
   1. The Region is in good shape financially. We had a very expensive year with the unknown numbers associated with the Level 8 Regional support increase, including leotards, athlete and coach t-shirts and judges fees, in addition to re-stocking with new coach’s shirts for Eastern Championships and Nationals.
   2. ***Motion by Donna Guenther (PA) for the Region to provide a training leotard for L9 Eastern qualifiers, and 1st alternate. Second by Cleo Washington (DE).***

***Unanimous, Passed***

* 1. ***Motion by Donna Guenther (PA) to drop apparel for the second alternates at JO Nationals and L9 Eastern Championships. Second by Cleo Washington (DE). Unanimous, passed***

1. RJOCC report:
   1. Please look for the most recent updates to the JO Program through the JO Update provided online.
2. RACC report:
   1. Some important changes to R & P:
      1. Discussed that a verbal warning to someone on the competition floor acting inappropriate/abusive must be documented on the sanction.
      2. Coaches may not spot while wearing a hard cast. They may be on the floor but may not assist with a skill.
3. RTCC report:
   1. A recommendation was discussed between the Committee for L10 Nationals judges assignments and recommendations for L9 Easterns. Myra will contact each judge to check for availability.
   2. ***Motion by Linda Johnson (RJOCC) to accept the list of judges as discussed by the Region 7 Administrative Committee, and to move forward with contacting these judges to check availability and interest. Second by Jane Caruso (RXCC).***

***Unanimous, passed***

1. RXCC report:
   1. Jane discussed the growth of the Xcel program in the region, and reviewed the 2017 Region 7 Xcel Invitational. A lot of positive feedback was collected by participants along with a request for a championship meet and not just another invitational.
   2. ***~~Motion by Donna Guenther (PA) to add an Xcel Regional Championship to the regional calendar. Second by Jane Caruso (RXCC).~~***

***~~Motion did not pass, 2 in favor, 6 against.~~***

1. Discussion about the 2016 L8 regional championship, and feedback on the competition format.
2. ***Motion by Donna Guenther (PA) to increase the qualifying score to L8 regionals to a 35. Second by Myra Elfenbein (RTCC). Passed, 5 in favor, 2 abstain, 1 against.***
3. ***Motion by Jay Barrows (MD) for a Saturday state team competition at L8 regionals, top 8 per state regardless of age division. Second by Steve Garman (VA).***

***Unanimous, passed (further details to come after Committee meeting in August)***

1. ***Motion by Adam Bowman (WV) to adjourn. Second by Jay Barrows (MD). Meeting adjourned at 9:45pm***