

MINUTES
NAWGJ NORCAL STATE GOVERNING BOARD MEETING
July 8, 2016

The Agenda and supporting public documents are available for viewing online at www.nawgj-ncal.org

9:45 P.M. Board Study Session – Call Meeting to Order – Board Meeting Room

I. Call to Order

- a. Meeting was called into order by Lori O'Dell at 9:54 pm

II. Roll Call

a. ***Board Members Present:***

PJ Slater
Melissa Marcucci
Kat Sgamba
Kathy Lopes
Donagene Jones
Jeri Foley
Lori O'Dell
Evelyn Paradis (arrived late)

Board Members Not Present:

Leesa Berahovich
Jennifer Battaglia
Roderick Radunzel

b. ***Other NorCal NAWGJ members present:***

Scott Slater
Maureen Koehler

III. Adoption of the Agenda

1. Motion- Kathy Lopes
2. Second- Jeri Foley
3. Approved

IV. Executive Session AGENDA

- i. Reading and Approval of the Previous Session's Minutes
 1. No corrections
- ii. Officers' Reports
 1. Assignor:
 - a. PJ Slater
 - Fall Compulsory Season Judging Schedule will be send out by next weekend; Judge's Cup is full
 2. Administrative Coordinator:
 - a. Melissa Marcucci
 - No business to report
 3. Education Lead:
 - a. Kat Sgamba
 - Everything went well with education of judges this year. Having them sign-up at Judge's Cup helped both interest and

commitment as well as awareness. All the new judges also practice judged at Optional Meets this last season and looked very professional at all events. There are five new Level 9 Judge's testing Level 10. The greatest factor in the success of getting both new and current judges to practice judge was the communication.

4. Education Coordinators:

- a. Bay Area- Leesa Berahovich
- Not present
- b. North- Kathy Lopes
- No business to discuss
- c. South- Donagene Jones
- No business to discuss

5. Website Coordinator:

- a. Jeri Foley
- To be discussed in New Business

6. Athlete/Community Ambassadors:

- a. Jennifer Battaglia
- Not present
- b. Roderick Radunzel
- Not present

iii. Special Committees' Reports

iv. Special Orders

v. Old Business

1. Announcements

- a. Many gyms have new parents running the meets and are wanting to know what to feed the judges
- b. NAIGC at SJSU this last year was a blast and great experience for many judges, especially some of the newer optional judges
- c. Utah Accountability for \$5000 received from NorCal last year for start-up Judge's Cup expenses-- Lori will follow up with Heather to see where/how money was spent and the outcome of their meet.

vi. New Business

1. Budget:

- a. Motion to approve annual budget and keep last year's Judges' Cup budget of \$50K

Motion- Donagene Jones

Second- PJ Slater

PASSED: Unanimously

- b. Motion to keep PJ's JC cash advance of \$1500 (same as last year)

Motion- Donagene Jones

Second- Melissa Marcucci

PASSED: Unanimously

- c. Food-- Does Jeri Foley want to do JC food? Yes. (We need to clean up the communications and inform judge's what food will be available for Friday night's session so they can better plan) Motion for Jeri to receive \$2000 for food (same as last year)

Motion- Kathy Lopes

Second- PJ Slater

PASSED: Unanimously

2. Judge's Cup Qualifier Location

- a. Edge called (Kristin S.) and asked if they can host the Judge's Cup Qualifier again. We discussed that this was an ideal location such

that the facilities were large, bathrooms were sufficient, the gym's support in running the meet was excellent, and it served as a good venue for the Sunday Skills Clinic. Motion to keep the venue the same for this year.

Motion- Kathy Lopes

Second- Melissa Marcucci

PASSED: Unanimously

- b. Linda Thorberg mentioned she would love to come back and that the format/schedule was excellent. Motion to invite Linda back (\$1000 clinician fee + judging fee + hotel/travel) and keep the same format.

Motion- Kathy Lopes

Second- PJ Slater

PASSED: Unanimously

3. September Compulsory Season/January Optional Season Practice Judging

- a. Mileage was paid for 1 meet in each season. This was very successful and everyone that did it, loved it. It takes a long time to fully become a rated judge and to be judging enough meets to pay yearly dues/education, so being able to reimburse for mileage and encourage new judges and/or judges wanting to test up to gain more experience is pivotal. Motion to open this opportunity up to all judges at any meet (some would like to practice judge at higher level competitions such as State Meets), 1 per each season, to encourage education and experience. A note was made, however, that any judge wishing to practice judge any meet needs to notify the meet director so as to plan for food, etc.

Motion- Donagene Jones

Second- Kat Sgamba

PASSED: Unanimously

4. NAWGJ NorCal Website

- a. Our current website was constructed in Dreamweaver. We did not own a license before this year. Lori purchased a one-year subscription so that her, Scott, and Jeri have access to change/update the site until we decide if we want to continue maintaining it with Auburn Electronics or host it on a different site. We have until June 1st, 2017 to decide. Discussion included Scott contacting the Washington SJD to see what they are now doing. If she is willing to help us manage our site, this might be a future option. Motion to table this discussion and any decision until more information is gathered (Scott and Jeri will take care of what needs to be done now on the site, i.e. updating the calendar of events).

Motion- Donagene Jones

Second- Kathy Lopes

PASSED: Unanimously

5. NorCal Train Away

- a. There was a conflict with the date of this event and the Region 1 Camp, thus, the NorCal Train Away had to be moved to the last weekend of October. This was announced at the NorCal meeting (after Fall Judging Availability was sent out which is why it was not included in the letter). This event needs to be put on the website. Kat also suggested putting all training events, such as TOPS, on the calendar for judges to obtain CPE credit and education opportunities. Individuals who went to the NorCal Train

Away last year said it was one of the best experiences. This year we will continue to offer CPE credit for the NorCal Train Away. The Train Away will need chaperones just like last year and food/lodging will be provided. No business needs to be voted on regarding this event.

6. Educational Stipend

- a. Motion to include USAG Membership, Safety Certification, and Background fees

Motion- PJ Slater

Second- Melissa Marcucci

PASSED: Unanimously

IV. Close of Business

- a. Meeting adjourned 10:45pm