

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS JUDGES  
NATIONAL GOVERNING BOARD MINUTES  
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA  
JANUARY 7, 2012

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Evelyn Chandler at 8:40a.m. on January 7, 2012. The President gave a short welcome and presented the agenda with a copy of the proposed budget attached.

The following members were in attendance:

President – Evelyn Chandler

Vice President - Mary Lee Martin

Region 1 – Cindy Lord

Region 2 – Ann Heppner

Region 3 – Leslie Patterson

Region 4 – Barbara Tebben

Region 5 – Hilary Carlson

Region 6 – Pat Panichas

Region 7 – Bonnie Synol

Region 8 – Sheila Ragle

National Judges Cup Director – Patty Shipman

National Website Director – Judy Hoeflerlin

Secretary/Treasurer – Betty Sroufe – excused

REPORT AND ACTION ON PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE OPERATING CODE

The Chairman of the Constitution Committee proposed changes to the Operating Code and some beginning changes to the Election Code. These changes will be attached to the minutes as Exhibit A. The changes included reformatting the Constitution, Operating Code and the beginning of the Election Code for a more uniform presentation of the documents. Many of the other items changed were suggestions that were made to the Constitution Committee by the Board after our meeting in Las Vegas.

After discussion on the proposed changes, the following motion was presented:

Motion: To approve the changes and the formatting as presented by the Constitution Committee.

Motion: Hilary Carlson

Second: Cindy Lord

Passed: Unanimously

REPORT AND ACTION ON ONLINE REGISTRATION OF MEMBERS

Patty Shipman investigated several online registration companies and presented to the board a company that offers a package that we could try out and make sure it will offer a service to meet our needs. The company is Wild Apricot and can be found on the internet at [www.WildApricot.com](http://www.WildApricot.com). The request for online membership registration came from discussion of the National Governing Board and the State Judging Director meetings in Las Vegas in June of 2011.

After the presentation and much discussion, the following motion was made:

Motion: I move that we proceed forward using Wild Apricot as our online membership company. We will start using a small sample to test access and usability. Our expectation date for beginning operation will be July 1, 2012.

Motion: Sheila Ragle

Second: Bonnie Synol

Passed: Unanimously

As part of the presentation, Exhibit #2 will be attached to the minutes.

#### APPROVAL OF THE 2011-2012 BUDGET

In the absence of the Secretary/Treasurer, Evelyn Chandler presented the proposed budget. A copy will be attached as Exhibit #3. After the discussion of the budget, a motion was made.

Motion: I move to accept the current proposed budget through October 31, 2012.

Motion: Leslie Patterson

Second: Barbara Tebben

Passed: Unanimously

After the approval of the budget and the online registration, members decided that since this is a major change in how we have been operating, it would be appropriate for a committee to take a more in-depth look at how we can best serve our members.

Motion: I move that we establish a policy and procedures review committee consisting of Pat Panichas, Hilary Carlson, Cindy Lord and headed by Mary Lee Martin who will report to the Board with possible changes and recommendations on how we can better serve our membership.

Motion: Bonnie Synol

Second: Ann Heppner

Passed Unanimously

#### APPROVAL OF THE COMMITTEE FOR THE STATE HANDBOOK FOR NATIONAL WEBSITE

For the record, the President requested approval of the committee that was formed at the SJD Meeting in Las Vegas in June 2011.

Motion: I move to approve the State Handbook Resources Committee to compile samples of information that could be included in State Handbooks. The committee members are: Leslie Patterson, Georgette Dupke, Mary Ann Wallace and Maureen Blair. Leslie Patterson will chair the committee.

#### APPROVAL OF THE TIMELINE/PROCESS FOR THE ELECTION OF APPOINTED BOARD POSITIONS

To clarify the timeline and process for the election of the Website Director, the National Librarian and the National Judges Cup Director, the Constitution Committee presented new information for the Election Code. The process will begin April 1, 2012 with Directors to take office July 1, 2012. The process for all directors will be published on the NAWGJ Website. A copy of the process for each Director will be filed as exhibit #4 with these minutes.

Please note that this process was passed with the entire report from the Constitution Committee. It was passed unanimously.

#### UPDATE ON REQUESTED INFORMATION CONCERNING TERM LIMITS FOR NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

The President was requested to report back to the National Governing Board on information regarding Non-Profit Organizations and the requirement for term limits. The President reported that in the research that she could find, Term Limits are not a requirement for Non-Profit Organizations.

The meeting ended with the following updates:

1. Information on the NAWGJ Uniform – The President contacted Land Ends about the uniform. She found that anyone that ordered a Black uniform can return it for the Navy uniform. Navy is the official color of the uniform. She also asked that people order from the NAWGJ Website instead of just ordering from Lands End. The NAWGJ Website has information about how to order a uniform. Currently, men's judging jackets are on back order.
2. The NAWGJ Insurance – The President also investigated concerns in regard to the NAWGJ Insurance. As the discussion advanced, more questions were asked so the President will contact the company with more specific questions and report back at the next meeting of the board.
3. The dates for the Summer Board Meeting in Las Vegas for National Board Members and State Judging Directors were clarified. The State Judging Directors will meet all day Saturday ( June 23<sup>rd</sup>)and again on Sunday morning (June 24<sup>th</sup>). The National Board Members will arrive on Wednesday (June 20<sup>th</sup>) for Committee meetings on Thursday, the Board meeting on Friday, plus Sunday at noon until we finish.

The contract for the hotel in Las Vegas has not been signed. The President will notify everyone when this is completed.

4. President Chandler reminded everyone of the process for the JAS-National Assigner that was approved at the National Board Meeting in Las Vegas in 2011.

Applications will be sent out March 15, 2012 by the President. Applications are due back to the President by May 1, 2012.

The process will be on the NAWGJ Website.

5. The President reported that she had met with Kathy Kelly and USA Gymnastics personnel in November. Various issues were discussed but the main purpose was to assure the USA Gymnastics personnel that NAWGJ will continue to be a vital professional organization that totally supports the sport of gymnastics in the United States. In addition, Evelyn submitted the appropriate papers to qualify NAWGJ as a "Registered Business" with USA Gymnastics. This allows the national, regional and state officers of NAWGJ to host a USA Gymnastics Sanctioned Meet.

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The President asked for any additional items that needed discussion. It was discussed that the State Judging Directors have asked for guidelines on how to spend the State Account monies wisely. Hilary Carlson and Mary Lee Martin will work on this for a presentation at the State Judging Directors Meeting in Las Vegas.

The 2014 Symposium was briefly discussed with the idea that it would be discussed at the Summer Board Meeting in Las Vegas in June.