

PA/DE NAWGJ STATE COMMITTEE MEETING

January 24, 2024

8:00 pm

1. Welcome
2. Routine Business
 - a. Reading of the last committee meeting minutes by Jeannie. With no corrections, motion made by Sara and seconded by Abby to approve the minutes as read. All in favor and motion passed.
 - b. Update of mileage to \$0.67 per mile
 - c. CONUS hotel reimbursement rates up \$9 to \$107 per night.
3. New Business
 - a. 2024 PA/DE NAWGJ Budget – Linda/Amy
 - i. The current budget does not include a line item for the service banquet and will need to be voted on once additional information is received.
 - b. Western Critique - Sara
 - i. Date of 2024 critique: October 5, 2024
 - ii. Sara has a site confirmed at Butler Gymnastics.
 - iii. Linda explained the bid process for all events and Sara is to get comparative bids and a budget for next meeting.
 - c. Report Card Meet & Level 7 Qualifier – Marcy
 - i. Recap of National Judges Cup in Chicago
 1. Sent 12 gymnasts the State team coming in 6th in the country and the All-Star Team placing 3rd in their session. We did have one Floor event Champion.
 - ii. Next year's date: November 16-17, 2024.
 - iii. Abby will be taking over this event from Barb and will be getting bids and budget together for our next meeting.
 - iv. Recap: The number of athletes did decrease from last year at the critique, but the number increased for the 7 qualifier.
 - d. Judges Cup - Laurie
 - i. Overview: almost \$8,000 profit. This is down from last year although there were 87 less participants making the total entrance fees received significantly less.
 - ii. Budget for next year is in the process as well as getting additional location bids.
 - iii. Date for 2024 Judges Cup will be December 13-15th.
 - e. Raffle Update – Connie
 - i. Tickets are still being sold with Jan being the highest seller so far.
 - ii. The ticket will be drawn sometime in the middle of March.
 - iii. Plan to gather the ticket sales at the Pink Meet
 - iv. Reminder: If you sell \$250 worth of tickets you will receive 1 credit towards the 4-year cycle testing money. The person selling the winning ticket will also receive a \$50 educational gift certificate.
 - f. Education – Anne/Deb
 - i. Discussion regarding offering “in-person” CPE’s for those who cannot attend Region 7 Congress with possible 1-2 in-gym clinics. Part presentation and part gymnast demonstration live vs video.
 - ii. Ideas for 2024:
 1. 3-4 virtual ones as we have done in the past: Compulsory, Optional, Xcel, new judge.
 2. Other virtual topics suggestions
 - a. 6/7 Vault with scoring being erratic although top performing is still winning.
 - g. Years of Service Banquet
 - i. Friday July 12, 2024 at Regional Congress
 - ii. Proposed time of the event- doing evening as we are now having “Lunch and Learn” sessions.

- iii. Once information is confirmed a "Save the Date" invite will be send via email to our members with location, time, and cost.
 - iv. Formation of committee to assist Mary Ann
 - 1. Requesting at least one from the east and one from the west. Debbie volunteered for the west representative and MaryAnn request someone in the Harrisburg area who can be the go to in-person representative.
 - v. Discussion regarding hotel vs local restaurant. Our focus will be to find a restaurant instead to be more cost effective.
 - vi. Board vote will be required as banquet not in the current budget.
 - h. GymJas
 - i. A concern was raised by a member regarding transparency of entire year schedule including every judge's assignment location and event. Long discussion entailed with both positive and negative concerns. Motion made by Sara to keep GymJas as it is due to potential privacy and safety concerns. Motion seconded by Anne. All is favor and motion passed.
 - i. PA State Clinic
 - i. Linda is working with PA USAG committee in talking with Carla regarding a possible joint venture with them. Current PA State Clinic is July 20-21, 2024 with the training focus on coaches with input from judges.
 - ii. Also working on a possible other time as this clinic is the week after Regional Congress.
 - j. Postcards
 - i. To be placed at the State meets and Regional Congress with event dates including the Western Critique, Report Card/Level 7 Qualifier and Judges Cup to increase participation.
 - ii. To be given to all senior athletes at their State Meet about the process of becoming a judge.
 - k. New Judges- Jean
 - i. Tester administrators are to notify Jean when new judges pass a test so she can connect with them and assist in the process.
 - ii. Discussed possible scholarship opportunity for those new judges whom cannot afford to do Regional Congress as they have expenses but do not get the meets yet with their lower rating.
4. Motion to adjourn meeting made by Abby and second by Kathy. Meeting adjourned at 9:35pm

Respectfully submitted,

Jeannie Lippert
Secretary/Webmaster