# FL NAWGJ State Committee Transition Meeting via ZOOM



# Meeting was called to order by State Judging Director, Patricia Lydon, at 6:45 PM on July 23, 2024. Roll Call:

Current Board Members	Present (Y/N)	Past Board Members and other guests:	Present (Y/N)
Patricia Lydon: SJD	Y	Toni Rand: USAG Florida State Chair	Y
Susan Monahan: Assigner-North/Central and past SJD	Y	Carol Curley: past Assigner-North/Central and AAU Team Florida Assigner	Y
Stephanie Ovdiyenko: Assigner-South	Y	Sharyn Strickland: past Assigner-South	Y
Arika Hoyt: Education & Clinic Chair	Y	Susan Lomas: past Mentorship Chair	Y
Marci Kaplan: Ethics & Professionalism Chair	Y	Kevn McNamara: past Volunteer Coord.	Y
Aimee Sparkman: Mentorship Chair	Y	Pam Sherwood: past Ethics Chair	N
Sophia Tracy: Judges Cup Coordinator	Y		
Jenn Ynestroza: Media Specialist	Y		
Jill Bosack: Volunteer Coordinator	Y		
Jen Boval: Secretary	Y		

#### Announcements for all in attendance: Patricia Ι.

- A. Introductions and recognition of past board members
- B. Transition Procedures
  - 1. Patricia will set up individual transition meetings for each position.
  - 2. Hard-copy records will be transferred, and electronic records will be shared via Google drive.
  - 3. Confidentiality forms will be sent to former board members so that they can provide guidance and mentor new board members as needed.

# C. Summary Financial Report

- 1. Susan Monahan filed the quarterly report at the end of April. The next quarterly report is due August 20th.
- 2. The reports and supporting documents will be uploaded to the Google drive for transparency.
- D. N1/B1 Update (new National and Brevet subdivisions)
  - 1. The one-time retro credit form (due 12/31/24) is for those who were in certain volunteer positions between 2013 and 2021. Guidelines and maximum credits are listed on the form.
  - 2. The Activity Involvement Form is a work in progress, so Patricia recommended that judges keep checking it for updates.
  - 3. There will likely be a test involved to reach C1 rating, and the pay scale has still not been announced.
  - 4. Evelyn has compiled guidelines and answers to common questions, which will be emailed.
- E. USAG Committee report: Toni Rand
  - 1. NAWGJ will continue to be the assigner for USAG competitions.
  - 2. The State Committee meeting is Friday, 7/26/24. On the agenda is State meet judge selections. Toni briefly explained criteria, and said it will be posted on the website.
  - 3. Travel Guidelines: The only expected change involves clarification about single rooms. She will propose that shared rooms should be with other judges or people associated with the meet instead of with family or friends.
  - 4. At the State Committee meeting, a plan will be discussed to give opportunities for more judges to gain experience judging higher levels at invitationals. This is because some of our experienced

- judges will be retiring in the coming years.
- 5. Level 7 Florida Team at National JC in January Toni will propose that individual invitations are given to Level 7 gymnasts based on their all around score.

## Outgoing board members were excused.

### II. Unfinished business and Reports: Patricia

A. SJD Workshop report from 3 days in St. Louis, MO

The NAWGJ Mission is to provide professional development for its members and to support and promote women's gymnastics in the US.

- 1. Arika and Patricia have discussed the need to provide more educational opportunities for our members, in line with that mission.
- 2. Since there are available funds in this year's budget allocated for education, Patricia suggested that Arika attend Regional Symposium in September to collaborate with others and explore ideas to further this cause. There were no objections.
- B. Financial Report \$44,465.95 current balance
  - 1. The financial report was shared and will be accessible to board members on the google drive. The Profit and Loss spreadsheet was shared as well.
  - 2. Jen B.I will act as a financial assistant to review and sign-off on quarterly financial reports before they are sent to the National Office.
- C. Expense reimbursement for Board members The form will be available on the google drive. Patricia reminded us to save receipts.
- D. Communication / Newsletter / Social Media Updates will be coming once Patricia is settled into her position.
- E. By-laws, Cannons & Professionalism Reminder to go to the national website to review Cannons and By-laws and explore SJD Resources on the site.
- F. Google Drive: Jen B
  - 1. A share drive has been created as a hub for this committee. All board members will have viewing/editing privileges, and can add documents/forms to share with other board members.
  - 2. Jen asked everyone to send her a gmail address for access to the share drive. She will assist anyone who needs help using and navigating the drive.
- G. General Membership Meeting via Zoom set for 8/29/24. Some board members will present information at the meeting, to be determined.
- H. 2024-25 Season statistics (Stephanie/Susan/Patricia)
  - 1. There are 898+ contracts to assign for 88 meets on the calendar
  - 2. Meet Directors have requested specific judges for over 50% of regular season meets.

#### Assigning

- 1. AAU Team Florida has elected to do their own assigning, with Carol Curley as the assigner. Once NAWGJ has completed assigning meets on a weekend, AAU Team Florida will begin assigning.
- 2. NGA meets will be assigned by NAWGJ. The judges who are assigned will be asked to get an NGA membership if they accept the assignment, and will not be penalized if they do not accept.
- There are currently unwritten assigning policies that will be discussed by Patricia (SJD) and the assigners (Susan and Stephanie). A 'Best Practices' working document will be shared with FL NAWGJ membership.
- J. Education Report: Arika
  - 1. The State Clinic is this weekend (7/27-28). USAG Board and NAWGJ are combining efforts. There are more sessions with judges and coaches together than in previous years.
  - 2. Future clinics (Fall Brush-up sites) Last year, Brush-up clinics brought in \$327 profit. There were 5 locations and 52 judges who participated. A short discussion ensued during which Marci suggested incorporating live athletes and covering all levels at each location. Arika suggested that we send her an email with feedback and suggestions.

#### K. Judges Cup

- 1. FL Judges Cup: Sophia An email has been sent out to request volunteers.
- 2. National Judges Cup Volunteering is handled by Evelyn Paradis at the National level. Patricia offered our assistance.
- L. Website updates: Jenn Y. Jenn asked that we send her information that should be included on the website and/or Facebook. If we email her before Sundays, the information can be included in Facebook

posts for the following week.

**III. Open Discussion -** Marci has been getting calls from coaches about the Level 7 National Judges' Cup team. Patricia said that Toni will be coordinating it, and that questions should be directed to her.

#### IV. New Business

A. Proposal to continue to donate the \$5 received from each member's NAWGJ membership dues to the RJD to help with her budget.

Motion - Susan Monahan Second - Marci Kaplan

B. Proposal to open a Certificate of Deposit, which is around 5%, on a portion of the money sitting in our account. Patricia proposed that \$20,000 be transferred into a CD with Bank of America for a 7 month period.

**Motion - Arika Hoyt** 

Second - Aimee Sparkman

The next Board Meeting is scheduled for Monday, 10/28/24 on Zoom.

Meeting adjourned at 8:28 PM.