



**Region 7 Administrative Committee Meeting
College Park, MD
June 25, 2015**

Meeting was called to order by Jen Bortz at 6:00pm.

Roll Call:

RACC	Jen Bortz
RTCC	Myra Elfenbein
RJOCC	Linda Johnson
RXCC	Jane Caruso
SACC DE	Cleo Washington
SACC MD	Jay Barrows
SACC NJ	Brant Lutska
SACC PA	Donna Guenther
SACC VA	Steve Garman
SACC WV	Adam Bowman
Women's JO Program Director	Annie Heffernon

1. Region 7 Congress report, Brant Lutska – over 550 registrants attended. The schedule for the weekend was administered and discussed.
2. Region 7 web site update is in process. The committee is reworking the Region 7 logo to follow the new branding guidelines.
3. 2016 Regional Bids: The results of the Regional Survey concluded that respondents are 2:1 in favor of combining Level 9 and 10 into one weekend of competition.
4. Motion to award the 2016 Level 9/10 Region 7 Championships to World Class Gymnastics in Virginia.
Motion: Jay Barrows
Second: Steve Garman
In Favor: 7
Opposed: 2
Passed
5. Motion to award the 2016 Level 8 Region 7 Championships to Centre Elite in State College, PA.
Motion: Donna Guenther
Second: Jane Caruso
Passed unanimously



6. RJOCC Report – Linda Johnson
 - a. The Region will continue to pay entries to Championship meets and to provide apparel for athletes and coaches
 - b. Motion to approve the revised Region 7 All-Star qualification procedure, as stated below in Addendum, effective for the 2016 All Star Team.

Motion: Linda Johnson

Second: Jay Barrows

Passed unanimously

- c. Motion – Effective 2016: To qualify to High Performance Camp, the athlete must achieve a minimum of a 36.00 at her Championship Meet (JO Nationals or Eastern Nationals). Open spots will be filled by inviting additional athletes according to rank order by score achieved at their Championship meet.

If a gymnast who has qualified to JO Nationals or Eastern Nationals is injured after the regional meet, and is unable to compete in her Championship meet, she may petition to High Performance (to the RJOCC) if she meets the following criteria:

- Scored a 36. AA in the previous year Championship meet and/or
- Scored a 36.5 AA at the current year regional meet

Motion: Linda Johnson

Second: Myra Elfenbein

Passed unanimously

- d. The Team 7 Edge clinic following Level 9/10 Regionals will no longer be on the calendar and will not count towards Regional Meet requirement. An organizational meeting for JO Nationals will be offered if time permits in the Level 9/10 Regional Schedule.
 - e. Motion: Regional Championship Gate Fees – \$10/day adults, \$5/day 6-14yr, 5yr and under free, senior \$8.00/day, athletes competing in the competition - no admission charge.

Motion: Steve Garman

Second: Donna Guenther

Passed unanimously

7. RXCC Report – Jane Caruso reported Xcel Program growth both in the Region and nationwide.
8. RTCC Report – Myra Elfenbein – There will be additional online courses will be available for CPE.
9. RACC Report – Jen Bortz reported on the Clubs Care Guide and the introduction of the USA Gymnastics Legislative Advocacy Program.



10. NAWGJ Regional Judging Director – Bonnie Synol announced the newly elected and incumbent NAWGJ SJDs.

RJD:	Bonnie Ann Synol – bysnol61@yahoo.com
MD SJD:	Linda Ostrove – lostrove@yahoo.com
NJ Co SJD's:	Leslie McPeck – mcpeekrl@gmail.com Kelly Gaston – karaokekelly704@aol.com
PA Co SJD's:	Terry McGirk – tmcgirk@aol.com Marcy Blitz – m.blitz@comcast.net
VA SJD:	Diane Berry – Berrydb1@aol.com
WV SJD:	Alison Clausen – amclausen01@gmail.com

Meeting adjourned 8:45pm.

Addendum

2016 Region 7 All-Star Team

Eligibility

Eligibility for the 2016 Region 7 All-Star team will be based on the following criteria:

1. Eligibility Score: The following formula is used in ranking gymnasts from JO Nationals for eligibility for the 2016 All Star Team:
 $(\text{Regional Score}) + (2 \times \text{National Score}) = \text{Qualification Score}$

The top 8 scoring (qualification score) gymnasts, **all age groups combined**, will be eligible for the 2016 Region 7 All Star traveling team (8 total).

In the event of a tie, the tie will be broken by awarding the slot to the athlete with the highest All Around Score at JO Nationals. If there still is a tie, the tie will be broken by the highest individual event score at JO Nationals.

2. Graduating seniors, or gymnasts competing in college (student athletes,) are not eligible to travel with the All-Star Team. Any positions earned by graduating seniors or student athletes will be automatically designated as "Wild Card" slots.



3. All gymnasts must be U.S. citizens at the time of qualification to be eligible for the All Star Team. Any positions earned by non-US citizens will be designated as “Wild Card Slots”.
4. Wild card slots will be awarded by taking the next highest scoring athlete (qualification score), all age groups combined. Three alternates (non-traveling) will be named using the next 3 highest scoring athletes (qualification score), all age groups combined, after all eligible traveling team members are determined.
5. All gymnasts will be required to have a U.S. passport at the time that travel plans are confirmed and tickets purchased. Any coaches with non-US passports will be responsible for arranging appropriate travel visas or documents, and producing photocopies, prior to the confirmation and purchase of airfare.
6. Any athlete who has failed to abide by the Behavioral Guidelines on previous All Star trips/training camps is ineligible for future All Star teams. **All athletes are expected to abide by the USA Gymnastics Code of Ethics and the athlete responsibilities outlined under Athlete Membership at all times before and during the All Star Trip.**