

Region 6 Board Meeting
March 27, 2024

Board Members: Chair; Craig Thibaudeau, Darren Morace (MA state chair), Danilo Gattei (RI state chair), Tom Greet (CT state chair), Lorenzo Macaluso (JNCS), Sean Monaco (Judge rep vote), Debbie Naka (JNCS), Michael Ouellette (NH state chair), Joe Zullo (ME state chair), Dan Young (VT state chair), Bill Challahan (Judge rep voice no vote), and Rich Ellis (Judge rep voice no vote)

Meeting called to order: 9:35pm

Members present: Craig, Darren, Debbie, Tom, Sean, Mike, Dan, Danilo, Lorenzo

Non-members present:

Members absent: Billy, Rich, Joe

Meeting Agenda and Notes

1. Regional Championships
Craig gave an overview of regional championships and what can be expected.
 - A. Rosters (will be sent to gym clubs by April 1st)
 - B. Rotation Schedules (First draft will be sent on April 1st with final draft being sent April 5th)
 - C. Schedule of Events at Regionals (posted on the region 6 website)
 - D. Gym Set-up and layout ***update* We will have the Arena for all sessions! Awards will take place in the team's practice gym. Will be dressed up nicely.**
 - E. Staffing Needs (volunteers, food staffing, administration)- Darren and Western Mass is helping with volunteers and Steve and Suffield gym is taking care of the food for weekend
 - F. Athletes (491 in the reservation system as of the registration and scratch close date)
 - G. Registration Revenue (479 athletes x \$145= \$69,455 and 12 athletes x \$165= \$1980
Total Registration Revenue: \$71,435)
 - H. Other projected revenues (estimated \$20,000 from the door and kick back of t-shirt sales)
 - I. Projected Expenses (\$51,420 from the final budget 2-9-24)
2. Easterns and DP National Championships
 - A. Qualification Procedures released on 3/27/2024 (find the document on Region 6 website- Regional Championships)
NEW- any JN athlete who scores within .15 of the final allotment spot will also attend Easterns/DP Nationals (all qualifying levels, all-around only)
NEW- any JE athlete who scores within .5 of the combined JE score OR final allotment spot will also athlete also attends DP Nationals (all qualifying levels, all-around only).
 - B. Petition Information included within the Qualification procedures (3/27/24) **(Version 4 has been released and is on the Region website- Regional Championships)**
 - NEW- Doctor's Note (DO or MD only)
 - **Pay attention:** Petition form needs to be received before regionals if not attending.

- **Pay attention:** Petition form needs to be received by end of regional championships if an athlete gets hurt during the event AND documentation by doctor within 48 hours after championships are complete.
- C. Information for Coaches Document (posted on Region 6 website- Regional Championships)
- Clubs will have until end of day on Monday 4/15 to register their athletes into Eastern Championships and DP National Championships- NO exceptions.
 - Coaches/clubs must go through the whole registration process, including payment.
 - Petitioned athletes are still registered by the deadline. Yes for a refund if denied.
3. Recognition Awards at Regional Championships
- A. Jon Redmon Service Award (action item)
 Nominees: Tom Greet, Tom Fontecchio
 Dan made a motion to approve the nomination of Tom Fontecchio
 Tom seconded the motion
 Vote: 7 yes, 2 absent
 Motion: approved (Craig will order plaque and get in touch with Tom F.)
- B. 2024 Hall of Fame Class (action item)
 Nominee: Bob Donahue
 Danilo made a motion to approve the nomination of Bob Donahue to the 2024 Hall of Fame Class
 Darren second
 Vote: 7 yes, 2 absent
 Motion: approved (Craig will order plaque and get in touch with Bob D.)
- C. Graduating Seniors
 Gift: Embroidered Jacket and certificate- 27 seniors
- D. Academic All-American
 Lisa is mailing all the AAA certificates- we will line the guys up in their respective session at regional championships to recognize their academic all-American accomplishment
4. Reorganization Updates
- A. Regional Chair Election
- Election process will be completed by USA Gymnastics across the country.
 - In the future, they want us to go back to holding our elections.
 - State Chairs will receive an e-mail with voting instructions (assuming the weekend of April 5-7 as that is when most regions hold their championships)
- B. Regional Team Selection Process
 Approved Document – Regional Championships gives points for the Regional team (posted on the Region 6 website- Reorganization)
- Dunkan offered to work on creating a spreadsheet for this ahead of regional championships.

C. Regional Championships 2025

Next order of business is in process. Discussions of 2025 championships with One optional championships (combined with a North or South compulsory) and one compulsory championships.

- Tom all for an allotment for regionals, especially with the significant increase in numbers. Sean agreed.
- Dan said you must make money so allowing more athletes can be beneficial.
- Craig added that the numbers will be high for the combined region (e.g., 230 Level 7 athletes) so having an allotment might be necessary
- Members agreed that we will likely need an allotment of some kind. The reorganization committee will receive this recommendation from the R6 BOD

5. New Business – none

Tom motion to adjourn the meeting

Dan second

Meeting adjourned at 10:42pm

Respectfully submitted,

Craig Thibaudeau
Region 6 Chairman