

# Men's Program Committee

## Meeting Minutes

June 29, 2001

Meeting called to order at 4:03pm Pacific by Chair, Yoichi Tomita.

### I. Roll Call

Members Present:

- Yoichi Tomita, MPC Chair. & Sr. Coaches Rep.
- Tim Daggett, Vice-Chair. for Men
- Steve Butcher, MPC Secretary & Jr. Coaches Rep.
- George Beckstead, FIG Rep.
- Kurt Golder, Sr. Coaches Rep.
- Bill Foster, Jr. Coaches Rep.
- Mihai Bagiu, Athlete Rep.
- John Roethlisberger, Athlete Rep.
- Butch Zurich, NGJA Rep. (voice, no vote), (*absent*)
- Ron Brant, Sr. National Team Coordinator (voice, no vote)
- Dennis McIntyre, Jr. National Team Coordinator (voice, no vote)
- Ron Galimore, Senior Director, Men's Program (voice, no vote)

### II. Judges Selection Update

Ron Galimore reported on the selection committee's rationale and assignments to the World Championships, World University Games, Goodwill Games, and several other international assignments. The committee was also reminded of their past motion that gave the sub-committee complete authority to make all final judges' selections. That sub-committee is made up of Yoichi Tomita, Butch Zurich, Ron Galimore, and George Beckstead.

Upcoming assignments are as follows:

- World Championships - Butch Zurich and Jim Hartung (Harry Bjerke is already assigned as an FIG technical assistant)
- World University Games - Ken Allen and Jim Hartung\*
- Goodwill Games - Dave Juszczuk and Harry Bjerke
- Pan American Championships - Steve Butcher, John Culbertson, and John Roethlisberger
- Swiss & DTB Cups - Abie Grossfeld
- Chunichi Cup - John Scheer
- Jr. Japan Invitational - Mark Williams

\*If Jim Hartung is unable to attend this competition, Dave Juszczuk, Mark Williams, and Ken Achiron will all move up the list to fill all of the vacant positions.

### III. Coach / Judge Conflict Resolution Procedures

Butch Zurich presented this document. It is intended to provide a system in which to handle problems with judges.

**Motion:** To approve the Coach / Judge Conflict Resolution Procedures with an amendment  
**Amendment:** Strike the words “No detrimental action with regards to meet selection will be taken against the judge(s), unless this is the second action taken.”  
**Motion:** J. Roethlisberger  
**2<sup>nd</sup>:** K. Golder  
**Passed:** Unanimous

#### **IV. MPC Statement to the Judges**

For:  
2001 NATIONAL QUALIFIER  
2001 U.S. NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

##### **STATEMENT TO JUDGES**

The Men's Program Committee is asking that the judges be fair and unbiased in their evaluation of all gymnasts; that they use gymnastics sense to strictly enforce the new *Code of Points*, yet, not be unrealistic in their evaluation. The Pursuit of Perfection is a guide and it should direct your attention to the level of performance that the men's program seeks. But, of utmost importance, is to show no favoritism to any gymnast or program.

**Motion:** To accept the MPC statement to the judges  
**Motion:** B. Foster  
**2<sup>nd</sup>:** T. Daggett  
**Passed:** Unanimous

#### **V. International Procedures Manual Update**

Ron Brant reviewed the draft document. This document covers all responsibilities of the men's delegation. Ron Brant would like any input submitted directly to him as soon as possible. The goal is to have this document approved by the U.S. Championships.

#### **VI. Scoring Program for the World University/ World Championships Selection**

Ron Brant announced that Dave Juszczyk has the program completed. The information provided from this program will give us more information to help in the selection of our World Championships team. He reminded the committee that this is only a statistical program. It does not provide other information such as competitive experience. The program will be tested with information from the qualifier and reviewed at the U.S. Championships.

#### **VII. Budget Update**

Ron Galimore sent a comparison document of the 2000 and 2001 budgets to the MPC members for review. Galimore will have to submit a priority list for

the men's program. We are waiting for a final budget amount to be confirmed for the men's program.

### **VIII. New Business**

In regards to the World Championships selection procedures, there was a question as to what constitutes being a competitor at the U.S. Championships. The committee clarified that it requires for the gymnast to receive a score on at least one event.

John Roethlisberger requested information on how our injured Olympians will be funded if they cannot compete at the U.S. Championships. He was reminded that the two gymnasts could be placed on the senior national team by the MPC at the conclusion of the U.S. Championships. Also, there are other emergency funds available to them or other injured senior national team members. These emergency funds are called Special Needs Grants. They are funds leftover from NCAA athletes not being able to take their full allotment of athlete support funds.

There was an update on the new vault table. The American model is still awaiting FIG approval. A Speith European model will be brought in for tomorrow's qualifying event.

John Roethlisberger submitted a proposal to distribute all unused athlete support funds to the senior national team members at the end of the funding year.

### **IX. Executive Session to Discuss Potential VP for Men's Candidates**

### **X. Adjournment**

**Motion: To Adjourn**

**Motion: B. Foster**

**2<sup>nd</sup>: K. Golder**

**Passed: Unanimous**

### **Meeting Adjourned at 5:45pm Pacific**

Respectfully submitted by: Steve Butcher, MPC Secretary

Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Ron Galimore, Senior Director, USAG Men's Program

Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Bob Colarossi, USAG President