



**Acrobatic Gymnastics Program Committee
May 5, 2020 * Conference Call
Minutes**

Call commenced at 1:30pm EST

1. Roll Call:

Carisa Laughon, APCC
Jessica Renteria, Athlete Rep
Sarah Thomas, NJOC
Ronda Francis, NEC
Holly King, NTC
Stefanie Korepin, USA Gymnastics Chief Programs Officer (non-voting)

2. Operating Code

The Program Committee did a final review of the updates to the Operating Code.

Recommend sending the 2020 Acrobatic Gymnastics Operating Code to the executive office for final approval.

Motion: Carisa
Second: Ronda
Vote: unanimous

With the postponement of the 2020 World Team Trials, World Championships, and World Age Group Competition, the Program Committee agreed that the current Selection Committee should continue their term, as stated in the Operating Code, to finish with the selection of the next World Championships/WAGC teams, which is anticipated to be 2021. Therefore, there will be no elections for Selection Committee this year.

***The following decisions regarding exceptions in the implementation of the 2020 Operating Code for the 2020 Program Elections took place via email on 5/7/2020 with the Program Committee members (Carisa, Sarah, Ronda, Holly & Jessica).*

The following exceptions are recommended for elections held in 2020, due to event postponements and cancellations and other effects on sports participation for the 2019-2020 season due to COVID-19.

- Adjust the start date of newly elected committee members (national and regional committees) to September 1, 2020 instead of August 1, 2020.
- Modify the criteria for eligible voters for the National Elite Committee Chair and the National Elite Committee Coach Reps to include coaches who had junior (12-18 or 13-19) or senior elite athletes registered for the 2020 World Team Trials.
- Hold elections for the three (3) National Elite Committee Coach Representatives following the election for National Elite Committee Chair.

3. Update Regarding Events, Program Positions, Current Health Restrictions and Reopening

Stefanie shared with the Program Committee the status events, such as USA Gymnastics Championships. A final decision has not been made regarding holding the event this year, but a decision is expected soon. Stefanie also shared new initiatives by USA Gymnastics to bring together experts and members of the gymnastics community to

help guide the process of returning to play and events, amid the coronavirus pandemic. Again, they hope to publish more information in the coming weeks.

The committee also initiated discussions around what events are possible this fall and early next season, what decisions must be made if other events are cancelled, and what can regions or states do in their areas.

4. FIG Acrobatics Representative

The committee discussed with Stefanie the upcoming elections for the FIG Acro Technical Committee.

**Carisa recused herself from this discussion.*

Call concluded at approximately 3:30pm EST

Respectful submitted by: Carisa Laughon, Acro Program Committee Chair