

**Junior Olympic Program Committee Meeting**  
**Conference Call**  
**Tuesday, March 05, 2013**  
**Minutes**

*The meeting was called to order, Tuesday, March 5, 2013, @ 9:04am, PST, by Dave Klein, Chair, JOPC.*

**I. Roll Call**

Reg 1 – Paul Tickenoff  
Reg 2 – David Klein, Chairman JOPC  
Reg 3 – Gil Elsass  
Reg 4 – Dan Coon, Secretary  
Reg 5 – Bob Witmer  
Reg 6 – Steve Randall  
Reg 7 – Rich Pulsfort a, entered the call later  
Reg 8 – Kevin White  
Reg 9 – Brandy Wood  
NGJA Rep. – Dean Schott a  
Jr. Rep. MPC – Kelly Crumley  
Jr. Rep. MPC – Hideo Mizoguchi  
Jr. Staff Rep (interim) – Tom Meadows  
Athletes Representative – Kevin Tan

Men's Program Staff: voice, no vote

Men's Program Director - Dennis McIntyre  
Junior Olympic Program Coordinator - Dusty Ritter  
National Team Coordinator - Kevin Mazeika a

Tim Klempenauer sat in on the call.

**II. Qualifying Process To JO Nationals**

- **Supporting Document.** This document explains the rationale behind the new proposal for the qualification process into JO Nationals.

Dennis; appreciate all work gone into documents, approach is reasonable and good.

Dave; do we want to go forward with Dusty's proposal? If the athlete tracked to the Elite Division has fulfilled the requirements; competed TS at State and Regional Championships, then with the Elite Division taking 36-42 qualifiers, can the athlete opt out or is he required to compete in the top 36-42? Document covers background on the subject:

- canvased the community
- procedure expands the opportunity
- opting out presents more problems and would permit avoidance of making decisions on the competition floor
- 36-42 guarantees a quality field

- listened to a lot of people, viewpoints more straight forward and tended toward this being the better way to go.

When do they declare? On the entry form to J.O. Nationals after Regional Championships. This is where they opt out.

**Motion: Accept the proposal with the declarant at Regional Championships on the J.O. Nationals entry form, that the athlete will remain eligible to compete Technical Sequencing and in the JE track. There is no opt out after that declaration.**

**Motion: Kevin White**

**Second: Paul Tickenoff**

**Passed: Unanimous**

### **III. Target Numbers for JO Nationals**

- **Supporting Document – PDF – V7 2013 Regional State Counts 030213 Setting the Allotments**
- **Supporting Document – Word Document – V7 Recommended Target numbers 2013**

These documents show, in a table format, what the proposed target numbers are for each of the 4 age groups. It also shows the allotment numbers for each region by age group. Decision needs to be made as to whether or not these are the actual numbers that we want to see at JO Nationals this year for each age group. Need to keep in mind that these numbers do not include any possible petitions or event specialists. As a reminder we did approve to eliminate the Multi-Event Specialists and to increase Single Event Specialists from Top 3 to Top 5 at Regional's.

Starting point of max number of what we could handle efficiently, numbers higher than in the past. Comprehensive and thorough review of all numbers:

- came up with medium number within the time schedule,
- middle ground compromise was setting allotment number between 660 & 750,
- these JO numbers work by virtue being manageable,
- petitions would boost number to 735.

Numbers do achieve goals, counts high in Level 8 & 9, quality at upper levels seems to be pretty high.

### **IV. Qualifying Scores**

- **Supporting Document – Word Document – JO Nationals Qualifying Scores with Rationale (Pro)**
- **Supporting Document – Word Document – V7 Recommended Target numbers 2013 (Con)**

We need to decide if we want to establish qualifying scores in addition to the allotment for each of the age groups, or do we want the allotment, alone, to determine the number of athletes that qualify to JO Nationals?

Allotment: eliminates judging bias, numbers are 'set'. Level 8 rules are new; risky to put a score out for Level 8.

Qualifying scores: high on purpose, keeps door open for people on the bubble.

**Motion to eliminate Qualifying Scores for 2013 JO National Championships.**

**Motion: Dave Klein**  
**Second: Gil Elsass**  
**Passed: Yah=7, Nay=3, Abstain=1**

**V. Target Number of JE's for 2<sup>nd</sup> Day of Competition**

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Need to decide if the target numbers of athletes moving on to the JE Division and competing the Technical Sequences is what we want for each of the age groups.

36 or 42 final count? 6 of one half a dozen of the other, same number as used in the past?

**Motion to adjust the JE#'s for Level 10; 15-16 & Level 10;17-18, from 36 to 42.**

**Motion: Kevin White**  
**Second: Tom Meadows**  
**Passed: Unanimous.**

**VI. GK re ; Regional attire;** agreement with GK for special regional shirt AS, AM, AL, all who qualify for JO's, . Regional Chair will specify # and sizes for region.

**VII. Single event specialist,** Level 10 only, place top 5 on event, only compete on event you qualify on. No event specialists on 8's & 9's.

**Motion to adjourn, 10:56AM, PST**

**Motion: Tom Meadows**  
**Second: Kelly Crumley**  
**Passed: Unanimous**

**Respectfully submitted:**

**Daniel Coon**  
**Secretary, JOPC**

