

**Junior Olympic Program Committee Meeting  
State and Regional Chairman Summit  
September 14<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>, 2017  
Minutes**

*The meeting was called to order, Thursday, September 14th, 2017, @ 6:23PM EDT, by David Klein, Chair, JOPC.*

**SESSION 1**

**Opening Remarks; David Klein, Chair.**

**I. Roll call:**

Region 1: Adam Lomax  
Region 2: David Klein  
Region 3: Jarit Pogue  
Region 4: Dale Bullivant  
Region 5: Doug Burton  
Region 6: Daniel Young  
Region 7: Rich Pulsfort  
Region 8: Kevin White  
Region 9: Mark Bogoger  
NGJA Rep. – Craig Nesbit   absent  
Jr. Rep. MPC – Sergei Pakanich  
Jr. Rep. MPC – Mike Serra  
Jr. Staff Rep – Tom Meadows

Men's Program Staff: voice, no vote

Vice President of Men's Program - Dennis McIntyre  
Junior Olympic Program Coordinator - Dusty Ritter  
High performance director Brett McClure   absent  
Men's Program Manager – Lisa Mendel

**II. Approval of Past Minutes**

Motion to approve minutes, JOPC meeting, September 9-11, 2016, Indianapolis, IN.

Motion: Kevin White

Second: Jarit Pogue

Unanimous Approval

Motion to approve minutes, JOPC conference call, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2017

Motion: Kevin White

Second: Sergei Pakanich

Unanimous Approval

Motion to Approve minutes, JOPC conference call, March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Motion: Kevin White

Second: Tom Meadows

Unanimous Approval

Motion to Approve minutes, JOPC conference call, May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Motion: Rich Pulsfort

Second: Kevin White  
Unanimous Approval

### III. Reports section

1. USAG NATIONAL OFFICE REPORTS – Dennis McIntyre
  - A. Search for new President of USA Gymnastics: No official candidate
  - B. P&G Update
  - C. Athlete Registration is going well and head of any previous years
  - D. USA Gymnastics Calendar until 2020 is being completed and updated
  - E. JOPC members will lead a discussion at the state chairman summit.
    1. Best practices: Dave Klein
    2. Conflict resolution: MiKe Serra
    3. Fund raising: Adam Lomax
    4. Camps and competition: Doug Baldwin
    5. Excel: Jarit Pogue
    6. Select elite and development programming: Dan young
2. MPC report – Segei Pakanich and Mike Serra
  - A. Moving towards Junior FIG
  - B. To be in the senior division at P&G athletes must be senior age eligible
  - C. Recap of junior international competitions
3. National Scholarship Foundation report - David Klein
  - A. 21 Applicants
  - B. \$60,000 awarded during 2016-2017
4. JOPC reports
5. Future Stars
  - A. 13-year-old athletes will be discontinued in 2018
  - B. 150 athletes or less is the number of competitors that is ideal
6. JO Program Update #3
  - A. No changes in future stars to be expected with Update #3
  - B. Junior program will align with the junior FIG rules
  - C. There will be one bonus area per event that is based on the needs of the junior national team.
7. National Team Program
  - A. Change in selection process has been successful
  - B. Goals of the junior national team program
    1. Give athletes international experience
    2. Make sure junior athletes are prepared for senior team

### III. Agenda Items

1. Frank Comisky
    - Two nominees:
      1. Kevin White
      2. Paul Tikenoff
- Paper ballot called by David Klein  
Kevin White received 6 votes

Paul Tikenoff received 6 votes

Motion to except the results of the tie and award both nominees the Cumiskey awards for 2017.

Motion: Tom Meadows

Second: Doug Burton

Unanimous Approval

2. Secretary of the JOPC

Motion: the secretary of the jopc should be approved through a voting process and the term will last for three years in conjunction with the terms of the regional chairman.

Motion: David Klein

Second: Rich Pulsfort

Unanimous Approval

3. Elite Team Championship

A. ETC proposal. – Rich Pulsfort

Proposal withdrawn

B. Motion: the 2018 Elite Team Championship will be six man team, no senior athletes, with a 6-5-4 format

Motion: Kevin White

Second: Adam Lomax

Unanimous Approval

C. Athlete selection and bio information should be completed and submitted by Tuesday February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018.

4. Motion to adjourn

Motion: Tom Meadows

Second: Rich Pulsfort

Unanimous Approval

**SESSION 2:**

*Session 2 was called to order, Friday, September 15th, 2017, @ 9:00 AM EDT, by David Klein, Chair, JOPC.*

**I. Roll call:**

Region 1: Adam Lomax

Region 2: David Klein

Region 3: Jarit Pogue

Region 4: Dale Bullivant

Region 5: Doug Burton

Region 6: Daniel Young

Region 7: Rich Pulsfort

Region 8: Kevin White

Region 9: Mark Bogoger

NGJA Rep. – Craig Nesbit

Jr. Rep. MPC – Sergej Pakanich

Jr. Rep. MPC – Mike Serra  
Jr. Staff Rep – Tom Meadows

Men's Program Staff: voice, no vote

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High performance director Brett McClure absent  
Men's Program Manager – Lisa Mendel

## II. NGJA Report - Craig Nesbitt

### A. JUDGING FEE TEMPLATE

1. The word "entries" will be changed to "judgements" to keep the wording consistent. Judges will be paid based on the number of judgements, rather than the number of entries into a meet. Total numbers of judgements will be established after scratches have been accounted for.
2. Minimum judge's fees will remain at \$50
3. The words "...strongly recommended..." will be changed to "...will...".

**"The JO RTD, Regional Chairmen & local judging associations will work closely with their local coaching groups to negotiate the fees for their region/state."**

Motion to accept version 9 of the judges' fees template.

Motion: Kevin White  
Second: Mark Bogoger  
Unanimous Approval

### B. Judges honorarium for JO Nationals

Motion to accept the proposal for a \$150 increase. Judges fees will be \$1250 for the 2018 JO Nationals

Motion: Mark Bogoger  
Second: Tom Meadows  
Unanimous Approval

### C. JO Nationals entry fees

Motion to increase the JO Nationals entry fees to \$170

Motion: Tom Meadows  
Second: Sergei Pakanich  
Unanimous Approval.

### E. Potential JO Nationals sites

1. Palm Beach
2. Daytona
3. Reno
4. Snahomish county. Seattle Washington.

### F. Allotment 2018

Motion: Petitions to the JO National Championships should follow current petition requirements and in addition, athletes must document that their scores, from a minimum of two USA Gymnastics sanctioned meets during the current competitive season, would place them in the top 50% of athletes who qualified by score from their region using the published national allotment for the Level and Age Group being petitioned into.

Motion: David Klein  
Second Tom  
Unanimous Approval

Motion to include the top three event qualifiers from Regional Championships into JOs.

Motion: Kevin White  
Second: Tom Meadows  
Unanimous Approval

Mark Bogoger and Jarit Pogue are given the task of analyzing numbers of level 8 and 10 athletes to evaluate the numbers of each level allowed into JO nationals. A need for a conference call to discuss these numbers was acknowledged by Dusty Ritter.

Motion to adjourn for lunch.

Motion: Rich Pulsfort  
Second: Tom Meadows  
Unanimous Approval

#### H. New Business

Election of State Chairmen

- A. The regional chairman should break the tie unless there is a conflict of interest.
- B. Each member club gets one vote towards the elections of a state chairman.

Motion to adjourn

Motion: Kevin White  
Second: Rich Pulsfort  
Unanimous Approval

*Respectfully Submitted: Daniel E. Young, Sc.D., JOPC Secretary*