

MPC Meeting  
June 22, 2022 via Zoom

Meeting called to order by Chair, Mike Serra at 1:05pm ET

Members present:

Mike Serra – Chair & Jr Coaches Rep  
Sergei Pakanich – Jr Coaches Rep  
Justin Spring – Sr Coaches Rep  
Kip Simons – Sr Coaches Rep  
Brett McClure – High Performance Director (voice, no vote)  
Raj Bhavsar – Jr High Performance Coordinator (voice, no vote)  
Jason Woodnick – VP Men’s Program (voice, no vote)  
Mike Juszczuk – NGJA Rep (voice, no vote)

Members not present:

Randy Jepson – Sr Coaches Rep  
David Klein – MDPC Chair

I. Petitions to U.S. Classic

The MPC received two petitions for Junior athletes to compete at the 2022 U.S. Classic, from Cash Johnston and Brendan Strom. In past years of the National Qualifier (now U.S. Classic), petitions have not been submitted as there are minimal limitations to competing in this event. Therefore, no petition procedures have been created for this event.

One criterion for eligibility to the Junior session states the following:

*“Junior athletes who participated at the 2022 Development Program National Championships must have competed in the Junior Elite Division in order to be eligible to enter the U.S. Classic.”*

In the case of the two athletes who have submitted petitions, injuries had prevented them from qualifying to the Junior Elite division at the 2022 Development National Championships, and therefore, they wish to have the opportunity to compete as a JE at the U.S. Classic and qualify to the 2022 U.S. Championships.

The MPC reviewed both petitions, including medical documentation and felt that both athletes were deserving of an opportunity to qualify to U.S. Championships.

**Motion: To approve the petitions for Cash Johnston and Brendan Strom and allow them to compete in the junior session at the 2022 U.S. Classic.**

Motion: Sergei Pakanich  
Second: Mike Serra  
Passed 4-0 (1 vote not present)

II. Selection Committee Coaches Representatives

Nominations were held for Coaches Representative positions on the newly formed Senior and Junior Selection Committees. Bios and ballots have been sent to MPC members to elect the Coaches Reps for each Committee and are due to the Vice President by June 23<sup>rd</sup>. The MPC discussed the candidates and felt that all the nominees will strongly represent their coaching communities.

The nominees for the two (2) Junior Selection Committee Coaches Reps are:

- Glenn Morris
- Bob Lundy

The nominees for the two (2) Senior Selection Committee Coaches Reps are:

- Tom Buese
- Nalani Cook
- Adam Lomax
- Sam McArthur

Selection Committees will be finalized by July 1. Their first selection will be the National Team selection at the 2022 U.S. Championships.

### III. Senior National Team Selection at U.S. Championships

The MPC reviewed past National Team selection procedures from 2021 U.S. Championships and 2022 Winter Cup. The NT selection process for the 2022 U.S. Championships will have a direct tie-in with the 2022 World Championship Selection Procedures, which are currently being reviewed by the USAG Board of Directors.

Attachment A (below) outlines the National Team Selection Process being proposed by the MPC, pending final approval of the 2022 World Championships Selection Procedures.

### **Motion to Adjourn at 2:24pm ET**

Motion: Mike Serra

Second: Kip Simons

Passed: 4-0 (1 vote not present)



MPC Chair Signature

July 6, 2022

Date

## Attachment A

### National Team Selection at 2022 U.S. Championships

- I. Junior National Team Selection has been approved and posted here: [https://usagym.org/PDFs/Pressbox/Selection%20Procedures/m\\_22jnt\\_sdt\\_qual\\_0526.pdf](https://usagym.org/PDFs/Pressbox/Selection%20Procedures/m_22jnt_sdt_qual_0526.pdf)
- II. Senior National Team Selection (maximum of 20 athletes, inclusive of Senior Development Team athletes) in order of operation below:
  - a. Any athlete invited to the 2022 World Championships Selection Camp (8-12 athletes) following the World Championships Selection Procedures, which are being approved and will be posted here: [https://www.usagym.org/pages/men/pages/selection\\_procedures.html](https://www.usagym.org/pages/men/pages/selection_procedures.html)
  - b. Up to three (3) senior athletes through discretionary criteria or approved petition.

If National Team spots remain following II.a and II.b, then II.c - II.e will occur until 15 spots are filled:

- c. Up to five (5) senior athletes who ranked within the top five (5) in the all-around final results (combined two days of competition), who are not already named to the team.
- d. Up to five (5) senior athletes who ranked in the top five (5) in the 10-point program final results (combined two days of competition), who are not already named to the team.
- e. Up to the next two (2) ranked senior athletes in the 10-point program final results, who are not already named to the team

The final five (5) National Team spots will be added through II.f:

- f. Five (5) Senior Development Team athletes via selection process found here: [https://usagym.org/PDFs/Pressbox/Selection%20Procedures/m\\_22jnt\\_sdt\\_qual\\_0526.pdf](https://usagym.org/PDFs/Pressbox/Selection%20Procedures/m_22jnt_sdt_qual_0526.pdf)

### III. Discretionary Criteria

The following criteria will be evaluated using results from the 2022 U.S. Championships, including both days of competition and results from the 10-point program:

- a. Rankings within U.S. Championships results and 10-point program results
- b. D scores that are competitive with finalists from major FIG international events in 2022\*
- c. E scores that are competitive with finalists from major FIG international events in 2022\*
- d. Overall competitiveness with top international athletes

### IV. Petitions

Petitions are due to the Chair of the designated Selection Committee via email before the conclusion of the 2022 U.S. Championships. In order for petitions to be accepted for review, they must include the following:

- a. Petition form to be completed: <https://usagym.org/pages/home/pages/forms.html?#mens>
- b. Medical report/letter subject to verification by USAG medical staff (if applicable)
- c. Athlete's return to play plan/timeline
- d. Proof of medical clearance to participate or estimated date of clearance subject to verification by USAG medical staff

For petitions to the National Team, the designated Selection Committee will consider the discretionary criteria listed above as well as past results from domestic elite championships and FIG international events\*.

\* Major FIG international events include, but are not limited to the following competitions:

- World Championships
- FIG World Cups and Challenge Cups
- DTB Pokal
- Continental Championships
- Major Games (Olympic Games, Asian Games, Pan Am Games, World University Games, Commonwealth Games, etc.)