

NATIONAL ELITE PROGRAM COMMITTEE
Conference Call
February 1, 2006

The meeting was called to order 11:00 am by Gary Anderson, National Elite Program Chairman.

1. Roll Call:

Chairman	Gary Anderson
Region I	Jack Carter
Region II	Brad Loan
Region III	Chris Burdette
Region IV	Greg LaFleur
Region V	Mary Lee Tracy
Region VI	Barbara Tiess
Region VII	Jen Bundy
Region VIII	Toni Rand
WPD	Gary Warren

2. Changes in the TOP program for 2006

Recommendation to make the following changes to the TOP program for 2006.

- TOP General
 - Any age eligible Hopes division athlete (10 or 11 year old) that scores a 32.00 in compulsories at the US Challenge will automatically qualify to the National TOP Testing.
- TOP Testing
 - Eliminate Pull-ups
 - Replace with Cast Handstands
 - 10 casts (scoring is same as previous Pre Elite Physical Abilities test)
 - National Testing
 - Combine Beam Acro (70%) and Beam Dance (30%) into one Beam score
 - Combine Floor Acro (70%) and Floor Dance (30%) into one Floor score
 - Beam National Testing
 - Mats may only be stacked to the level of the bottom of the beam.
 - Spotting at National Testing
 - If an athlete is spotted on a skill at National Testing, the deduction will be up to 1.0 for the spot.
 - Weighting of National Testing Scores
 - 9 year olds – 60% skills – 40% physical abilities
 - 10 year olds – 70% skills – 30% physical abilities
 - 11 year olds – 80% skills – 20% physical abilities

Additional changes in skills will be reviewed at the February National Team Training Camps and a proposal will be put forth to the committee by March 1.

Motion: Jennifer Bundy
 Second: Chris Burdette
 PASSED

3. Elite Judges

The committee agreed that only FIG Brevet Judges will be used to judge Optional competitions at the Elite Level. The committee also agreed that USA Brevet and higher rated judges may be used to judge the Elite Compulsory competitions.

4. Number of athletes qualified to the Pre Elite Camp from the US Challenge (National Training Squad)

Recommendation to accept the following breakdown as the number of athletes qualified to the Pre Elite Training Camp from the US Challenge:

- 4 – 13-14 year olds
- 4 – 10-12 year olds (Hopes Division)
- 8 – Open slots from all age divisions to be determined at the US Challenge by the National Team Coordinator and the Chairman of the National Elite Program Committee and in consultation with the Women's Program Director. Four of those slots USAG will pay all expenses and 4 slots will be at their own expense.

Motion: Toni Rand
 Second: Jack Carter
 PASSED

Meeting adjourned 12:00 pm.

Motion: Brad Loan
 Second: Mary Lee Tracy

