

**NATIONAL ELITE PROGRAM COMMITTEE**  
**Des Moines, Iowa**  
**July 25, 2009**

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 pm by Gary Anderson, National PreElite Committee Chairman.

**1. Roll Call:**

Chairman	Gary Anderson
Region I	Jack Carter
Region II	vacant
Region III	Chris Burdette
Region IV	Bart Roskoski
Region V	Enrique Trabanino
Region VI	Barb Tiess
Region VII	Dina Walker
Region VIII	Kelly Pitzen

National Team Director, Martha Karolyi and International Elite Committee Chairman, Steve Rybacki addressed the committee. They gave an update of the current USA Elite Program and its structure. They explained the current workings of our semi-centralized training system and the need for this program to have current, fast and efficient representation and decision making capabilities. They also provided an outline of a suggested way to accomplish this.

The committee discussed their proposal at great length and agreed with them that our system of:

- being elected by the “general membership”,
- serving a four year term,
- operating in a Regional oriented JO system,
- having the current availability of distributing information instantly via email and the Elite web page,

have all contributed to making the existing National PreElite Committee obsolete.

Because of this, the following recommendations were made:

1. To have the representation of coaches and clubs participating in the PreElite/TOPS programs, come from an election of three representatives at the US Challenge competition each year to serve on the newly formed Athlete Development Committee. To be eligible for these positions a coach must have a current participant in the Challenge competition and must have had a participant in an Elite Classic Meet or higher within the past two years.
2. To hire four Elite Zone Administrators, who will be responsible for organizing, administering and provide information for all Elite clinics and competitions held in their Zone. Résumé’s should be collected and reviewed by the IEC who would then select these four administrators on a yearly basis.
3. To have a minimum of two national and one zone (zone to provide qualifying opportunities for compulsories and PreElite optionals only) during each elite competitive “season” (winter and summer) to provide ample opportunities for athletes to qualify into the elite program without having to do extensive travel. **(Qualification procedures are under the direction of the Athlete Development Committee who will review this recommendation for a final decision)**

The motion to dissolve the existing National PreElite Committee was made by Chris Burdette and seconded by Enrique Trabanino. The motion passed unanimously.

The motion to adjourn was made by Bart Roskowski and seconded by Barb Teiss. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gary Anderson, NPEC Chair