

NATIONAL GYMNASTICS JUDGES ASSOCIATION

GENERAL MEETING

NOVEMBER 3, 1973

U.S.G.F. CONGRESS MARRIOTT HOTEL, ST. LOUIS

Meeting called to order by Executive Director Ted Muzyczko at 8:15 p.m. He welcomed members present and introduced the new Board of Directors and Technical Committee for 1973-75.

Board of Directors

Ted Muzyczko	Executive Director
Jon Culbertson	Technical Director
Les Sasvary	Secretary
Bob Stout	Treasurer
	Regional Director East
Ken Allen	" " Mid-East
Bob Fisher	" " Mid-West
Jerry Todd	" " West

Technical Committee

Jon Culbertson	Technical Director
Bob Stout	Technical Chairman East
Bill Roetzheim	" " Mid-East
Bob Fisher	" " Mid-West
Les Sasvary	" " West
Martin Huckabee	" " at large
Don Nelson	" " "
Fred Orlofsky	" " "

Roll call showed that all officers were present with the exception of Martin Huckabee.

Jerry Todd the outgoing Secretary read the minutes of April 6, 1973 held at Eugene, Oregon at the N.C.A.A. Finals.

Jerry Wright the outgoing Treasurer gave his report about the financial status of N.G.J.A. Balance 402.28 with all membership dues still outstanding for 1973-74. They always due at the U.S.G.F. Congress. They should be forwarded to the new Treasurer - Bob Stout within 10 days!

Muzyczko spoke on patches for N.G.J.A. They will be ordered immediately following the Congress and be made available for each association. Please order from Ted.

Muzyczko reminded everyone that for championship meets a dark blue jacket, gray slacks, shirt and tie will be required for 1973-74. Bob Stout will inquire about a reasonable price and availability and will inform everyone concerned.

Culbertson will look into getting instructional cassettes.

Todd will be in charge of purchasing clip-boards or folders for judges with N.G.J.A. insignia for the most reasonable price. Muzyczko requested that all presidents should provide Sasvary with a current list of National and Regional Judges. Deadline January 1, 1974.

Culbertson described the responsibilities of a Technical Chairman within each area.

Muzyczko brought up the fact that Ken Allen is going to edit the N.G.J.A. newsletter approximately 4 times annually. Everyone should send worth-while articles to Ken.

Mucyczko announced the recipients for the Frank Cumiskey Hall of Fame Award for 1973. Winners: Fred Meyer and Jerry Todd. Congratulations. Nominations for the award should be sent to the Regional Directors with a comprehensive dossier on the individual than they should be submitted to Sasvary one month prior to N.C.A.A. Finals.

Jerry Wright, N.C.A.A. Rules Committee Western Region called for small areal changes in N.G.J.A. constitution to follow N.C.A.A. regions in order to make the selection of judges according to areas for N.C.A.A. Finals.

Ed Gagnie complemented the N.G.J.A. for the great job. He called everyones attention on 1973-74 N.C.A.A. rule changes for officials. (See N.C.A.A. Rule Book 1973-74) Asked for recommendations how should the judges be selected for N.C.A.A. Finals.

Muzyczko pointed out that N.G.J.A. should and will work very closely with the Biomechanical Task Force.

Frank Cumiskey gave his report on the First International Judges Symposium, Madrid, Spain September 11, 1973. Frank spoke at the Symposium representing the United States on changes we would like taking place at F.I.G. level.

1. F.I.G. Technical Committee should express more about Spiritual Expression.
2. F.I.G. Terminology, particularly on Pommel Horse should be re-written.
3. Vaulting rules should be simplified.
4. Eliminate timing in Floor Exercise.
5. Gymnast should be allowed to have a second vault in Competition 1 if he raise a hand.
6. Article 65 in F.I.G. Book should be re-written.
7. F.I.G. Technical Committee should know the F.I.G. Book better.
8. No. 3 second holds on Rings.
9. Zones for Vaulting should be eliminated.

Recommended that the N.G.J.A. Technical Committee survey the Nation by December 31, 1973 concerning changes. He will submit them to the F.I.G.

Frank continued his report describing the changes other countries want.

Recommendations by the Russians:

1. 2 scissors only on P.H.
2. Diomidov should satisfy the requirement for over the bars release.
3. Neutral Zone for Vaulting.
4. Should not penalize the team for monotony.
5. Risk should be appreciated more.
6. Horizontal Bar difficulty should be revised, particularly where all skills begin and terminate.
7. Music should accompany Floor Exercise routines.

Cuba wants:

1. Pommel Horse should be reevaluated from standpoint of difficulty.
2. Must find a way to eliminate the acceleration of scores by judges during competition.

Japan recommended:

1. More emphasise on R.O.V.
2. Raise bonus points for R.O.V. perhaps as much as 1.0

The meeting was adjourned at 10 p.m. by Ted Muzyczko.