

# NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF GYMNASTIC JUDGES

## GENERAL MEETING

APRIL 6, 1973

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Meeting called to order at 10:30 a.m. by President, Frank Cumiskey. He welcomed members present and explained the difficulty in getting a large representation at this meeting. He also explained about the Board Meeting held just previous to this meeting.

Roll call was taken by Jerry Todd, National Secretary. Present were Frank Cumiskey, Ted Mucyczko, Bob Stout, Bob Fisher from the Board and Jerry Wright (Treasurer), Les Sasvary (West Technical Chairman). Jim Sullivan and Jon Culbertson of the Technical Committee were not present.

The minutes were presented by Secretary, Jerry Todd. Accepted as correct. Treasurers report was submitted - all areas have paid their dues. Frank Cumiskey wondered if areas we service should not pay dues also. He felt an interest should be shown and the areas we serve should be involved in our organization. Treasurer, Jerry Wright, said he would contact these areas for possible support. Report accepted as written.

Ted Mucyczko gave his technical report. The nominations for the World Student Games were given - Fred Orlofsky and Bill Roetzheim (Mid-East) and Jerry Wright (West). Nominees must be F.I.G. card holders and be full-time school employees and not have served before. Directors will be contacting area judges to judge the U.S.G.F. finals at Penn State. The Y.M.C.A. national meet in Florida has asked for nomination of judges.

We have now reprinted our U.S.G.F. interpretations and we should make more of them available to all of the area judges. Bob Fisher suggested not reprinting old material and force more people to get the new copy. Ted explained that this will be our basic book with three or four pages to be added each year. They cost \$1.00 and many areas could give them out as part of their service included in their dues.

Jerry Wright brought up the fact that deductions were being made on the Pommel Horse for a few moves that were the same as the compulsory and that the coaches at the N.C.A.A. wanted to be sure that the deductions are being made in all areas of the country. Frank Cumiskey suggested that we present these deductions to the rules committee so that they are dispursed to all coaches.

Jon Culbertson has put together a cassette and it will be put out by Sam Bailey. Frank Cumiskey has written a new book.

The book by the Technical Committee will be out by the end of the year - hopefully by the Coaches Congress. It will be divided into six chapters (one on each event). There will also be a chapter on judging finals, compulsories (at all levels). The book will be a complete Thesqrus on how to prepare for a meet, judge, etc.

# PROPOSALS BY THE TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

- 1 - Clarification of the word use in "use of the mats". We feel that extra mats on the non-dismount side of the bar are all right.
- 2 - The N.C.A.A. Championships be conducted in Round Robin fashion with all six events going at once. Twenty-four judges would be needed. This would do away with teams competing at different times of the day.
- 3 - Judging the College Division Meet - Each area could send up to three judges depending on their finances.
- 4 - Coaches be assessed .3 for unsportsmanship each time after a warning.
- 5 - Recommend that 1973-1974 dual meets have at least two National Judges; 1974-1975 have three National Judges and 1975-1976 have four National Judges.
- 6 - Judges Director be a member of the Games Committee.
- 7 - The screening of judges a little closer for top meets. They should have  
1) At least six dual meets; 2) A superior judge test; 3) Two compulsory meets and an oral compulsory test. We could use a rating system by judges and coaches. They could take an oral test on judging finals; 4) He should judge a Conference Championship in advance. Joe Regna said these requirements would be hard to meet in some areas where there are few meets.
- 8 - Have an event coordinator at the N.C.A.A. meet to advise the judges on the floor, the coaches in the stands. Ted Mucyczko has been of great help in this capacity at this year's N.C.A.A. Final.

We would like the use of a judges director at all big meets. He would handle their housing, cars, etc. We would also like the use of a combination and difficulty judge in the finals.

## OLD BUSINESS

- 1 - The Patch for the N.G.J.A. will be finished within the next six weeks.
- 2 - Frank Cumiskey explained about elections and their procedure. Each director asks for nominations from his region for a new director. After the election, the region then nominates two people for the at large berth. The National Secretary then sends out ballots to all regional and national card holders who vote individually and by secret ballot.
- 3 - Hall of Fame report by Jerry Todd. Nominated were Jon Culbertson, Jerry Todd, Ted Mucyczko and Fred Meyer. We need a brief history outline of each of these men and then the board will decide on a recipient.

Regional Judges of the Year :

West	-	Jerry Todd	Mid-West	-	?
East	-	Jon Culbertson	Mid-East	-	?

A criteria was suggested for the Hall of Fame nominations.

NEW BUSINESS

Jerry Wright suggested the combining of the job of Treasurer and Secretary. It was decided to keep the two offices separate by a voice vote.

Bob Stout brought up proper judges dress at Championship Meets. On letters sent to Championship judges it shall read "The wearing of a dark blue coat and grey slacks is mandatory". Les Sasvary put this in motion form and it was seconded by Joe Regna. Passed.

The problems in the Georgia area and the Southeast area were brought out by Martin Huckabee. It was suggested that they maintain their own association and we would be glad to help them in representation with the S.I.G.L.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m. by President, Frank Cumiskey.