

NATIONAL GYMNASTICS JUDGES ASSOCIATION

General Meeting

April 3, 1976 Temple University, Philadelphia

The meeting was called to order by Ted Muzyczko at 4 PM.

Present were: Muzyczko, Culbertson, Stout, Sasvary represented by George Beckstead, Todd, Fisher, Allen

Absent were: Bill Roetzheim, Don Nelson and Jerry Wright.

The minutes of the last general meeting held at the congress were accepted.

Ted Muzyczko spoke first and gave his information on the following:

1. Rules committee in favor of returning to the four judge system.
2. Roger Council will act on behalf of the NGJA in presenting the above topic to the coaches.
3. NGJA amendments should be proposed through your local associations and passed on to the NGJA board of directors.
  - a. In regard to the amendment of raising of dues for associations. Yet to be decided until passage of this amendment.
  - b. The other three amendments proposed by Jerry Wright were sent via his association.
4. The last issue had to deal with the state of our Association and Ted pointed out that the NGJA does not act as a power structure and that they consider themselves as a technical board.
  - a. It was suggested that the local associations follow all guide lines in a proper manner before they become regional problems.
  - b. Firmer guide lines should be set on operational procedures for the NGJA to inform local associations of current materials.  
Goal-send out a news letter to all members.  
Next task to reach individual members better.
5. Reaction to Jerry Wrights letter and proposals. Ted Pointed out that Jerry did not follow board policy.  
Board voted unanimously to censor Wright"s actions for not following board procedure. Wright did not give the Board a chance to react on the issues he presented.
6. The new code of points should be out prior to the next congress- (new interpretations)
7. The compulsories interpretations as presented at the last congress was a strong and positive step for our gymnasts.

8. The new compulsories will be presented at the next congress.

Ken Allen Ways of presenting the new national course. A new type of scoring system will be used. The written test will be taken by a punch hole system.

Culbertson represented Roetzheim. Talked of steps for new addition of rule book. First will wait to get the new code of points before putting out the new additions. Also expressed how much our compulsories as performed by our gymnasts have improved since last year and prior olympics competition.

Muzyczko Hopeful return to the four man judging system. Feels we should use competition three for dual meets and all finals. Our goal should be to make the requirements stiffer for our gymnasts in order to push them gymnastically toward international level of higher performances. Discussed the true system of open scoring as seen used at Temple.

Todd Jerry Todd gave a very thorough financial report. The NGJA presently has \$1,400.00 as of April 1, 1976. Majority of finances were used to help our gymnasts. Mailing expenses accounted for many expenditures.

Muzycko Answered the question of Don Allen regarding more monies to be used to help judges with expenses. Stout-no set policy on sending officers with expenses paid to gymnastic events. Ted-some money used for the advancement of judging on the national and international scene.

Todd National organization meets twice a year and if the officer from a local association which doesn't have the money to send him can request financial aid from the national organization. Asked for a motion to accept the financial report. Motion was passed.

Muzycko Assured the group that a news letter will be out with in six weeks. Also the association list will be sent through Sasvary.

Todd Judging Awards and nominations- requirements for Hall of fame, 40 years of age, must be a member of the judging body deadline is January 1 and should be submitted through your association president. Titled the Frank Cumiskey Award. Will be presented at the congress in November. Regional judging award- voted on by your region each year and presented at the congress.

Muzycko Asked for new business; question-credetial of high school judges? Ted-purely a local matter not national, unless you desire some help from the NGJA. International course-will be held in Van Couver, British Columbia end of April or first part of May. Need a national card to qualify.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted by  
George Beckstead