

Texas NAWGJ Committee
August 30, 2022
Pre- GAT Conference Call

Board Members Present:

Bonnie Crawford (SJD)
Jack Dunlop (District 1 Assigner)
Denise Coats-Lauriat (District 2/3 High School)
Amy Heidel (District 2/3 Assigner)
Kevin Freeman (District 2/3 Assigner)
Stephanie Bell-Turner (District 4/7 Assigner)
Erika Franklin (District 5/6 Assigner)
Jennifer Porter (Secretary)
Tracy Brewer (Event Coordinator)
Tiffany Schwartz (Treasurer)



Call to Order: Bonnie Crawford 8:32pm

Conflict of interest/confidentiality agreements have been issued and returned as of date.

Approval of last meeting minutes.

MOTION: To accept the minutes from the last meeting

Motion: Erika Franklin

2nd: Stephanie Bell-Turner

PASSED

OfficerStatus Updates:

TXNAWGJ s now in legal terms a “committee” instead of a board.

The finance reports for the quarter are due at this time. Reimbursement requests have started to roll in. A few judges have been added to the list. We are grateful for everyone stepping in to help with the compulsory season. We hope to add more judges as the season goes on and will be offering testing as needed in the various areas. We want to encourage NEW judges to get experience at the middle school meets when possible.

It is vital that judges are keeping their information and availability updated in GYMJAS. Communication between the meet directors and the judges is key when updates and changes are made. The more information, the better. We are doing everything possible to send frequent news blasts and monthly newsletters.

We are prepping for GAT. The speaker gifts and the member gifts are ready. There is also a plan in the works for new Judges Cup medals and outfitting Team Texas at National Judges Cup. There will be lots of fun and exciting competitions and volunteer opportunities/experiences to end 2022 and coming up in the new year.

We had significant discussion on coming up with a more formalized process for practice judging requirements. There are a variety of options and a lot to consider. We have some very creative ideas and possibilities. We will continue this discussion at GAT.

NEW:

There are new pay rules for judges. The “break” is no longer deducted. Payment is from report time which is still 30 minutes prior to march in until the last judgement.

FALL time is .45 seconds AFTER a medical evaluation is complete

Testing:

All areas of the state will be offering testing opportunities as needed. Check the calendar for a date and location near you.

Texas Judges Cups September 30-October 2, 2022:

Entries are rolling in. We have new medals this year. Each location will offer a “stick it” challenge.

All Texas NAWGJ judges who volunteer a minimum of 3 hours will have their NAWGJ membership dues paid. After the first 3 hours of volunteer time, judges will have the option to use the time to: Meet CPE requirements: Choose: • In-gym (^6 hours) • Volunteering (^4 hours)

- * May split between in-gym and volunteering
- * Judges must have their CPE miscellaneous form signed
- * Receive a gift certificate equivalent to \$15/hour for use toward education expenses •
- * The gift certificates will be mailed - The gift certificates may not be replaced if lost or stolen
- * May split time between CPE and gift certificates after the initial 3 hours
- * May not use the same hours for both CPE and gift certificates; no “doubling up”
- * Measured by hours not sessions
- * Send the participating judges’ names to the SJD for NAWGJ membership renewal
- * No form needed
- * If needed, have a proxy to log times and verify/log mileage
- * Include participation hours: • Judging • Actual judging • Any volunteer role – e.g., tabulator, flasher, etc. • Pre- or post-meet preparation (CPE only)
- * Send the participating judges’ mileage to Tiffany and the SJD for mileage reimbursement
- * Texas NAWGJ will reimburse mileage at \$0.25/mile
- * TX NAWGJ will reimburse hotel rooms up to \$50/person/night not to exceed the value of the room

Jingle Bell Clinic/Critique/Testing:

December 3, 2022 in North Texas @ FEW

CPE eligible for 3 hours; Lunch is included

The morning clinic will offer LIVE routines for levels 6-10. There will be 5 for each event followed by discussion/comments. It will be structured and a great opportunity to practice before the Spring season.

This is fun and festive event for all judges and testing will also be available.

Xcel Xtravaganza: January 13-16 @ Waco Convention Center

Gate fees will be \$10 adults & \$5 for kids

Volunteer Opportunities:

There are MULTIPLE opportunities to volunteer in Texas and within the region. There are so many ways to earn CPE credit and to help out in a meet or clinic situation.

Elections in 2023:

There is already some interest in adding an educational position; ethics coordinator and Performance Improvement Program coordinator (PIP) to the committee. Keep watch for details as the current positions come to an end and elections are beginning.

2023 National NAWGJ Symposium

July 13-15, 2023 in Grand Rapids Michigan

Hotel rates are currently \$159.00/night

MOTION: To adjourn 10:11pm

Motion: Denise-Coats Lauriat

Motion: 2nd: Stephanie Bell-Turner

PASSED

Submitted by: Jennifer Porter