

Texas NAWGJ Committee Meeting August 28, 2024 / August 30, 2024 Conference Call / GAT Convention

# **Conference Call**

## **Committee Members Present:**

Jack Dunlop, District 1 Assigner
Denise Coats-Lauriat, District 2/3 High School assigner
Kevin Freeman, District 2/3 Assigner
Stephanie Bell-Turner, District 4/7 Assigner
Erika Franklin, District 5/6 Assigner
Lani Yosten, Secretary/Newsletter Editor
Tracy Brewer, Event Coordinator
Tiffany Schwartz, Treasurer
Donna Robacker, Professionalism Coordinator
Nancy Parker, Education Coordinator
Shey Willcoxon, Recruitment and Retention Coordinator
Bonnie Crawford, SJD

Call to order: Bonnie Crawford 8:32p.m.

## Approval of last meeting minutes.

Motion to accept the minutes from the last meeting after corrections are made

Motion: Tiffany Schwartz 2<sup>nd</sup>: Donna Robacker

#### **PASSED**

## Discussion regarding TxNAWGJ meeting

Originally planned for breakfast it had to be moved to later in the day.

During the meeting each committee member will address to members and tell the members three things that they have accomplished during the year.

Bonnie will tell the members the following:

TxNAWGJ will purchase flip books for all active members.

Advise members regarding term limits and which position is up for an election.

Recognize two judges who have both reached their 50-year mark; A 50-year pin will be awarded.

Bonnie wanted to know if each committee member had read the confidentially and the conflict-of-interest documents. On the navigation page the bylaws will be updated with both conflict of interest and confidentially documents.

#### **Discussion:**

Bonnie requests that each committee member write their job description to further their duties and responsibilities for possible candidates.

**Professionalism**: Donna has received positive comments and Bonnie has a letter of recognition for Donna to place in her professionalism file.

Donna stated that she has been collecting data to help support the future of professionalism on a global sense. An example is social media.

## **Discussion:**

Tracy Brewer spoke about the issue of getting an alternate for the Team Texas at National Judges Cup. Currently only team members (6) receive a \$600 travel voucher, the alternate does not. Tracy is not sure if it is the lack of travel funds or the fact that the athlete is an alternate, makes the difference. Jack Dunlop proposed that TxNAWGJ award a \$600 travel voucher to the alternate. Kevin Freeman second the motion

#### **PASSED**

## **Discussion:**

Shey Wilcoxon spoke regarding a mentor program throughout Texas. Each committee member is to read through the document that explains how Shey would like to the program to work. This will be discussed further at the Ausust 30<sup>th</sup> GAT committee meeting.

#### **Discussion:**

Bonnie spoke regarding an updated High School judges compensation package. Each judge will receive a \$10.00 increase in pay. Lani is instructed to put this information in the next newsletter.

#### **Discussion:**

Judges Cup. Bonnie gave numbers for each of the 4 judges cup and asked the committee members to encourage more participation from local gyms. She reminded everyone of the compensation package and encouraged everyone to use the gift voucher as a financial reward rather than CPE credits. It was suggested that TxNAWGJ award the host club \$10.00 more to help offset the cost of food. The committee members discussed options outside of the \$10.00 increase to the host club. Jack Dunlop moved to continue discussion at the GAT committee meeting.

Donna Robacker 2<sup>nd</sup>
Motion to table: **PASSED** 

## **Discussion:**

Tracy reported on the Jingle Bell clinic/critique. Currently there are 62 athletes registered for the critique. The committee discussed the possibility of splitting the critique between DEV and XCEL athletes.

National Judges Cup is in Fort Lauderdale Florida Judges Xtravaganza has 176 registered athletes. GAT 2025 will not be held on Labor Day weekend but the weekend before still in Austin. USAG encourages judges to rotate events at invitationals. Meet referees, not assigners, are to assign events. Currently there are 190 judges in Texas of which 160 are active.

Motion to adjourn by Denise Coats Second by Erika Franklin

Meeting adjourned at 10:28

Friday, August 3, 2004

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## Call to order: Bonnie Crawford

Standups:

Each committee member reported on their achievements, challenges.

Discussion: Judges Cup host payment. Currently the payment is \$20 per athlete to the host club and \$5.00 to the meet director. As mentioned earlier the cost of hosting a meet has increased significantly and hosts are asking for an increase in payment.

Jack made a motion to increase the host pay to \$25.00 per athlete in 2024. Then, in 2025, increase the athlete entry fee by \$5.00

Second by Shey

Approved

Erika made motion to adjourn

Denise second.

Meeting adjourned 10:02 p.m.