

2014 Region 5 Spring Meeting

Thursday – April 10, 2014

Region 5 Championships – Ann Arbor, MI

The meeting was called to order, Thursday – April 10, 2014, at 10:14PM by Bob Witmer, Region 5 Chairmen.

I. Roll Call and State Reports

Region 5 – Bob Witmer

Illinois – Mike Califf

Indiana – Jeff Greene

Kentucky – Jim Langston

Michigan – Russell Young

Ohio – Mike Serra

State Reports

Indiana – SIGS hosted IN State Championships, went well. Indiana started the State Team Program

Illinois – No update

Kentucky – 5 Clubs represented at KY State Championships – 64 gymnasts – Good competition, hosted by Champion Gymnastics. 2015 will be hosted by Legacy Gymnastics. KY program is growing.

Michigan – Our State Championships was boys & girls together. Went great. Michigan is implementing State Team Program

Ohio – Instituted the State Team Program, camp this summer

II. Meet Director

Speaker: Russell Young

- Good set-up
- All JO National entries need to be turned in at the conclusion of Level 10 session
- We have sizers for the GK jersey required at JO Nationals
- 3 copies of each club's entry and 2 copies of the club's GK uniform order
- Every athlete will get a jersey for both days. Purple with white sides. They may purchase white shorts/pants at their own cost
- The GK uniform orders must be picked up at JO Nationals during Region 5 training session on Wednesday during 12:30pm to 2:50pm. If you are not attending the Region 5 training session, you need to make arrangements for uniforms to be picked up at that time – we will not hold for later pick-up
- Kelly Crumley will be the access person to pick up uniform merchandise on Wednesday during Region 5 training
- 3 coaches attending Regional Championships aren't USAG Professional Members
- Large number of Level 5's, we need to keep the meet moving
 - Introduction at event / no formal marchin
 - Make sure kids are checked in
 - Right kid called by judges
 - Side by side gyms thru cutains
 - Official inquiry forms must be used / Start value only / Larry Byerly Friday & Saturday, Brent Simmons on Sunday

III. Fall Meeting Minutes

Motion: Accept minutes

Discussion – Date says 2012 instead of 2013 – amend date to 2013

Motion – Jim Langston

Second – Mike Califf

Passed – Unanimous

IV. NCAA Report

Speaker: Bob Witmer

Very busy tomorrow – 7:00pm is Team Finals / AA Finals – Great competition venue

V. National Report

Speaker: Bob Witmer

Directive from Dennis McIntyre about implementing the High School Program in each state. Should enter High School they attend and they will be recognized. They will rank 3 athletes (any level) for a team score.

IL – Already have HS Programs

IN – Did

MI/OH/KY – Didn't

VI. Judges Report

Speaker: Bob Witmer

Went to National Fee Structure. Serving us very well. Did a comparison to whole country, very competitive

VII. Financial Report

Speaker: Bob Witmer

Traditional report is January to January, however it makes sense to have it reflex “to date”. A couple of expenses don't appear yet, but have been charged. Other than those charges, the report is to Tuesday, April 08, 2014. 2013 Regional Future Stars evaluation made a lot of money, this isn't usual. Head Tax will be around \$5000.00.

New website - Doug Burton has set-up a new Region 5 website. Looks Great.

VIII. Camp Reports

Speaker: Kelly Crumley

- One big report from Regional Team Coordinator, Kelly Crumley, containing all reports from all assigned coaches
- Invited to OK – Great camp last year, Region 5 took 12 athletes – They are only offering 8 spots this year – We feel 8 athletes go to OK and 4 go somewhere else, pending budget (regional coaching staff needs to meet to discuss this new change
- Region 8 coming to our camp at OSU, Mike Serra is the director – athletes will be housed in a hotel and train at Steelwood... may need to cater meals
- Traveling camps... 8 athletes / 2 coaches to Oklahoma... 4 guys / 1 coach maybe Region 7 or Region 8 (we will explore options with a small delegation)

IX. 2014 Future Star Regional Evaluation

Speaker: Bob Witmer

Gene Watson will be hosting the 2014 Future Star Regional Evaluation on previous stated dates (October 18/19, 2014) and will also host the workshop (September 20/21, 2014)

2014 F/S Regional Evaluation: Dates for the National Evaluation 11/12-16/2014

Best dates: 10/18-19/2014 – 23 days out from National Evaluation

X. Bids for 2015 Championships

Should be Michigan, but we changed to Michigan for NCAA. Bid reverts back to Indiana – Gene Watson has confirmed for April 10th-12th, 2015. Interactive Gymnastics Academy will be the host.

XI. Topics from the floor

- Idea to split optional & compulsory regionals
 - Topic will be added to the Fall Meeting agenda
- How is the Regional Team Members selected
 - Technical and Optional scores combined, prequalified gymnasts will be skipped over
 - Alex Yoder is prequalified due to National Team obligations
 - Voted and approved by Regional Coaching Staff
- Regional Team Handbook added to the website
 - ????

Speaker: Bob Witmer

Thanks to:

- All our State Chairmen
- Mike Serra for OSU Camp
- Russ Young for this meet and his efforts
- Kelly Crumley for Regional Team Program
- John Karmacy for all his regional work

Bob Witmer entertains a motion to adjourn at 9:52pm

Motion: Mike Serra

Second: Jim Langston

Passed: Unanimous