

Men's Program Committee

Conference Call

October 24, 2005

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m. CDT by Chairman Yoichi Tomita.

I. Roll Call

Yoichi Tomita, MPC Chair-Vice Chair for Men (off call from 12:05-12:15)

Bill Foster, MPC Secretary & Jr. Coaches Rep.

Steve Butcher, Jr. Coaches Rep. (off call at 12:15)

Kurt Golder, Sr. Coaches Rep.

Miles Avery, Sr. Coaches Rep.

Jay Thornton, Athlete Rep.

John Roethlisberger, Athlete's Rep.

Butch Zunich, National Gymnastics Judges Assn.-no vote (off call at 12:15)

Ron Brant, Senior Program Coordinator-no vote

Dennis McIntyre, Men's' Program Director-no vote

Ron Galimore, Vice President, USA Gymnastics-no vote

II. Email Vote September 22, 2005: National Team member added, unranked and unfunded

Sean Townsend was added to an unranked-unfunded position by e-mail vote September 22, 2005 so that he can represent USA Gymnastics in an event in Denmark October 29. USAG received the invitation that specifically requested Sean Townsend attend with all expenses paid. Since the event is being held at the site of the 2006 World Championships and being conducted by the 2006 World Championships organizing committee, the MPC felt it was advantageous to our program to have a presence at this event.

III. 2005 World Championships Team Member Kevin Tan

Motion: To add Kevin Tan to an unranked-unfunded position to the National Team.

Motion: Jay Thornton

Second: Miles Avery

PASSED: Unanimously

IV. 2006 Winter Cup Challenge Format

A. Gymnasts will qualify to the 2006 Winter Cup Challenge one of 5 ways:

1. Members of the USAG Senior National Team
2. Participants at the Senior Division 2005 Visa Championships
3. Members of the USAG Junior Elite National Team from the 2005 Visa Championships
4. The top 6 All Around finishers from the 2005 NCAA Championships
5. By video petition

B. Competition will consist of two All-Around Preliminary Sessions, to be held on Thursday afternoon (Feb. 2, 2006), qualifying to an All-Around Finals on Saturday evening (Feb. 4, 2006).

C. All competitors will be included in an open draw for competition positions in one of the two sessions. Gymnasts in a session who are from the same program will be blocked together.

D. Extensive discussion was held about using a point system and allowing the MPC to select additional competitors to qualify to the AA finals. The issue was tabled for further thought and discussion.

E. The National Team will be selected as follows:

1. The top 6 All-Around finishers after finals
2. The top 6 gymnasts, not included in the top 6 all around finishers, based upon the points system
3. 2 gymnasts selected by the MPC

Motion: To adopt the format changes for the 2006 Winter Cup Challenge

Motion: Yoichi Tomita

Second: Kurt Golder

PASSED: Unanimously

V. Budget Discussion

Preliminary discussion was held to prepare to review the budget on a future conference call.

VI. Selection Procedures

Discussion was held concerning selection procedures for the 2007 Pan American Games and the 2007 World Championships. The process is complicated by:

- A. The Pan Am Games are July 13-18, 2007.
- B. USA Championships are August 2-5, 2007
- C. World Championships are September 3-10, 2007

VII. USA Gymnastics Vice President for Men's Gymnastics (Yoichi Tomita left the call)

Motion: To select Yoichi Tomita for a second term as USAG Vice Chair for Men's Gymnastics

Motion: Bill Foster

Second: Kurt Golder

PASSED: Unanimously

VIII. Selection of Participants to attend the 2005 FIG Intercontinental Judges Course

(Steve Butcher and Butch Zurich left the call; Yoichi Tomita rejoined the call)

Discussion was held concerning the number of judges the FIG will allow us to send to the 2005 Intercontinental Course. Any action was tabled until the number is finalized.

IV. Adjournment

Motion: To adjourn at 12:25 p.m. CDT.

Motion: Bill Foster

Second: Yoichi Tomita

PASSED: Unanimously

Respectfully submitted by Bill Foster, Jr. Coaches Representative

Approved by: Dennis McIntyre, Men's Program Director

Approved by: Steve Penny, USAG President