

# **Men's Program Committee Conference Call Minutes**

May 26, 2006

Chairman Yoichi Tomita called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m. CDT.

## **I. Roll Call**

Members Present:

Yoichi Tomita, MPC Chairman & Vice Chairman for Men  
Bill Foster, MPC Secretary & Junior Coaches' Representative  
Steve Butcher, Junior Coaches' Representative--absent  
Kurt Golder, Senior Coaches' Representative  
Miles Avery, Senior Coaches' Representative  
Jay Thornton, Athletes' Representative  
John Roethlisberger, Athletes' Representative --absent

Present, Not Voting:

Butch Zurich, National Gymnastics Judges Association --absent  
Ron Brant, Senior Program Coordinator  
Dennis McIntyre, Men's Program Director

## **II. Points System**

There was further discussion of the Point System; additional tiebreakers were added to the approved system.

## **III. National Champions**

There was discussion of the procedures to identify the event National Champions.

**Motion: The National Champion will be determined by the 2-day score total for the event at Visa Championships.**

**Motion: Yoichi Tomita**  
**Second: Jay Thornton**

**PASSED: Unanimously**

## **IV. Vault**

Discussed the new FIG Vault rules and how it would affect our planned bonus system. With the wide differences now between Vault Values, there is no longer a need for a single vault bonus. There will be an e-mail vote to approve the final bonus numbers.

## **V. Senior Team membership**

Discussion of how many Senior National Team positions from the Visa Championships will be 6-month positions and how many are full year positions.

**Motion: The six World Championship Team members and traveling alternate (total 7) will have 12- month positions on the National Team; all other National Team Members will have 6-month positions which will end at the 2007 Winter Cup Challenge.**

**Motion: Yoichi Tomita**

**Second: Bill Foster**

**PASSED: Unanimously**

**VI. Executive Committee Meeting of FIG**

Dennis gave a brief report concerning the FIG Executive Committee Meeting in Kuala Lumpur. The USAG Staff discussed all proposals and presented their concerns to Bob Colarossi and Ron Froelich before they left for Kuala Lumpur. As a result of their work, approval was given to allow up to one credentialed coach for each athlete at the World Championships, a credential for the alternate, and "tag in – tag out" privileges for the coaches with 3 allowed in the warmup gym at a time and 2 on the competition floor. The Men's Technical Committee did present a proposal at the meeting to immediately change the Vault Value Tables which was approved by the Executive Committee.

**VII. Athlete Funding**

Discussed the timing our Athlete Funding program and the need to bring it in line with the USA Gymnastics Fiscal Calendar in order to be more efficient in the budgeting process. Discussion for the 2007 Funding Program will begin at the Elite Qualifier.

**Motion: Continue the current funding program through Winter Cup 2007.**

**Motion: Yoichi Tomita**

**Second: Jay Thornton**

**PASSED: Unanimously**

**IX. Brett McClure recently announced his retirement from Men's Competitive Gymnastics. The MPC wishes to recognize Brett's years of outstanding representation of our program and our country.**

**X. Adjournment**

**Motion: To Adjourn at 9:49 am CDT**

**Motion: Bill Foster**

**Second: Kurt Golder**

**PASSED: Unanimously**

Respectfully submitted by Bill Foster, Junior Coaches Representative

Approved by: Dennis McIntyre, Men's Program Director

Approved by: Steve Penny, USAG President