

# Men's Program Committee Conference Call Minutes

December 19, 2006

Chairman Yoichi Tomita called the meeting to order at 10:05 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

Kurt Golder, Senior Coaches' Representative joined the call at

Russ Fystrom, Senior Coaches' Representative - **Absent**

Jay Thornton, Athletes' Representative

John Roethlisberger, Athletes' Representative - **Joined call at 10:10am**

Present, Not Voting:

Butch Zurich, National Gymnastics Judges Association

Ron Brant, Senior Program Coordinator

Dennis McIntyre, Men's Program Director

Jeff Robinson, Junior Olympic Program Manager

## II. Athlete Funding Document

The document had been discussed previously, and was tabled until now for further research and consideration by the members

**Motion: Accept the Funding Document**

**Motion: Jay Thornton**

**Second: Yoichi Tomita**

**PASSED: Unanimously**

## III. 2007 World Championships Procedure

There was extensive discussion of the Head Coach Selection Procedure. The National Team Coaches took a strong position in favor of selecting the coach from among the personal coaches, or, at the very least, from a pool of those most likely. The National Team members felt equally strongly that they want the head coach to be selected well in advance (6 months) and for him to assume a very strong leadership role in the camps and all preparation for the World Championships.

**Motion: Accept the Selection Procedures with the selection of the Head Coach a minimum of 6 months prior to the 2007 World Championships**

**Motion: Jay Thornton**

**Second: Yoichi Tomita**

**PASSED: Unanimously**

## IV. 2007 Winter Cup Bonus Procedures and Vaulting Rules

The Bonus Document was submitted to the MPC earlier for consideration. There was discussion of using 2 vaulters to determine the Vault Champion. Discussion centered on allowing the gymnast to perform 2 vaults (2<sup>nd</sup> vault from a different family and with a

different post flight), the first at least a 6.6 start value, and counting the highest score between the two. The winner will be the gymnast with the highest combined score over two days.

**Motion: Accept the following Bonus Procedures for the 2007 Winter Cup**

1. Dismounts - Sticking (FX, SR, V, PB, HB ) - D,E,F dismount – 0.1
2. Start Value Bonus System

Event	SV	Bonus
FX	6.3	+0.2
PH	6.0	+0.2
SR	6.4	+0.2
V	7.0	+0.4
PB	6.4	+0.2
HB	6.3	+0.2

3. Vault – An athlete who performs a 6.6 or higher start value vault as his first vault will have the option to perform a second vault (different family and post flight as per FIG Competition III rules) and have the highest of the two vault scores count as his final vault score.

**Motion: Bill Foster**  
**Second: Yoichi Tomita**  
**PASSED: Unanimously**

**V. General Discussion and Presentation of Information**

1. Very productive and positive USAG Meetings with AAI concerning the whole spectrum of equipment development and usage issues.
2. Report on USA Gymnastics proposals to FIG concerning credential access at the World Championships and the use of video review.
3. Statistical permutations of the point system.

No action taken on these topics

**VI. Adjournment**

**Motion: To Adjourn at 10:55 am CDT**

**Motion: Bill Foster**  
**Second: Steve Butcher**  
**PASSED: Unanimously**

Respectfully submitted by Bill Foster, Junior Coaches Representative

Approved by: Dennis McIntyre, Men's Program Director  
Approved by: Steve Penny, USAG President