

Men's Program Committee Winter Cup 2008 Minutes

February 8, 2008

Chairman Yoichi Tomita called the meeting to order at 1015am. PST.

I. Roll Call

Members Present:

Yoichi Tomita, MPC Chairman & Vice Chairman for Men
Jay Thornton, Athletes' Representative
Dan Gill, for John Roethlisberger- Athlete's Representative
Jon Valdez, MPC Secretary & Senior Coaches' Representative
Steve Butcher, Junior Coaches' Representative
Russ Fystrom, Senior Coaches' Representative

Present, Not Voting:

Ron Brant, Senior Program Coordinator
Dennis McIntyre, Men's Program Director
Jeff Robinson, Junior Program Coordinator
Ron Galimore, Vice-President

Members Absent:

Stacy Maloney- Steve Butcher proxy for Stacy Maloney
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II. 2008 National Team Selection at Visa Championships,

Motion to place 14 athletes on the National Team; the top 10 athletes based on the approved points system and 4 positions to be selected by the MPC from among the participants of the Visa Championships and petitions.

Motion: Jon Valdez
Second: Steve Butcher

PASSED: 7-0

III. Discussion regarding weighted scores for 2008 Visa Championships and the 2008 Olympic Trials

Motion to weigh the scores at Visa Championships and Olympic Trial with 20% of the score from each session at the Visa Championships and 30% of the score from each session at the Olympic Trials (VC 20/20 + OT 30/30 = 100%)

Motion: Jay Thornton
Second: Jon Valdez

PASSED: 7-0-0

- IV. Discussed Points system to be used at the 2008 Visa Championships and 2008 Olympic Trials.

Motion to have the points system count equally at each competition session for a cumulative total.

Motion: Yoichi Tomita
Second: Russ Fystrom

PASSED: 7-0-0

- V. **Additional rule considerations for the National Qualifier, Visa Championships and Olympic Trials**

Motion to eliminate previously approved bonus systems for the National Qualifier, 2008 Visa Championships, and Olympic Trials.

Motion: Steve Butcher
Second: Jay Thornton

PASSED: 7-0-0

Motion to utilize FIG matting, with the exception to allow the use of an additional 8" mat on high bar for release moves only (not allowed for dismounts), for the National Qualifier, 2008 Visa Championships, and Olympic Trials.

Motion: Jon Valdez
Second: Jay Thornton

PASSED: 7-0-0

Motion to allow the previously approved "broken hand guard" rule to be utilized at the the National Qualifier, 2008 Visa Championships, and Olympic Trials.

Motion: Jon Valdez
Second: Russ Fystrom

PASSED: 7-0-0

Motion to have scheduled time blocks for each competitive group during warm-ups for Parallel Bars event only at the National Qualifier and the Visa Championships.

Motion: Dan Gill
Second: Yoichi Tomita

PASSED: 7-0-0

VI. Discussion regarding Olympic Team Head Coach position

Motion to nominate Kevin Mazeika to the USOC for the position of the 2008 Olympic Team Head Coach.

Motion: Yoichi Tomita
Second: Jay Thornton

PASSED: 7-0-0

VII. Discussion regarding the Olympic Team Selection Committee Positions

Motion to name Jay Thornton as the Athlete representative on the Olympic Selection Committee.

Motion: Yoichi Tomita
Second: Russ Fystrom

PASSED: 6-0-1

Motion to name Bill Foster to be the coach representative on the Olympic selection committee

Motion: Yoichi Tomita
Second: Jay Thornton

PASSED: 4-0-3

Motion to name Stacy Maloney as the alternate on the Olympic selection committee.

Motion: Yoichi Tomita
Second: Steve Butcher

PASSED: 4-2-1

Motion that if the Olympic Selection Committee Chairman should need to step down, that Jay Thornton would replace him as the Chairman of the Olympic Selection committee.

Motion: Yoichi Tomita
Second: Dan Gill

PASSED: 6-0-1

XI. Review of the International Procedures Manual

No Action Taken

XII. Motion to Adjourn

Motion: Yoichi Tomita

Second: Steve Butcher

PASSED: 7-0-0 Meeting adjourned at 12:57pm PST

Respectfully submitted by: Jon Valdez, Senior Coaches Representative

Approved by: Dennis McIntyre, Men's Program Director

Approved by: Steve Penny, USAG President