

NATIONAL NAWGJ BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
July 12-13, 2010 Itasca, Illinois

Call to Order

Carole Ide, President, called the meeting to order on July 11, 2010 at 4 PM. Roll Call was taken and the following people were in attendance:

Region 1 - Janet Packwood
Region 2 - Ann Heppner
Region 3 - Mary Lee Martin
Region 4 - Barbara Tebben
Region 5 - Hilary Carlson
Region 6 - Pat Panichas
Region 7 - Bonnie Synol
Region 8 - Shelia Ragle
President - Carole Ide
Vice President - Evelyn Chandler
Secretary/Treasurer - Betty Sroufe
National Judges' Cup Director - Patty Shipman
National Librarian - Judy Dobransky
National Collegiate Assigner - Robin Ruegg
National Website Director - Judy Hoferlin

Minutes - The minutes of the meeting held July, 2009 were approved with the following correction. Under New Business, add the word "director" in the 5th paragraph that begins "Add at the end of Step 1: A letter must be sent by the appropriate director to.....
Motion: Panichas/Packwood Approved 12-0.

President's Report - Carole Ide

USAG has agreed to have carpool mileage guidelines determined in the same manner as it was before 2009.

Vice President's Report - Evelyn Chandler

The vice president's report will be covered later in the meeting under the constitution committee report.

An overview of the symposium schedule was shared.

Each director will receive a new NAWGJ imprinted flashdrive with the updated Directors' Guide downloaded.

Secretary/Treasurer's Report - Betty Sroufe

The Treasurer's Report was distributed. There are currently 1827 members.

National Judges' Cup Report - Patty Shipman

The 2010 Judges Cup, held in Covington, KY, had 1,230 entries from 21 different states and netted \$20,295 for the NAWGJ. Twenty state teams competed in the team

challenge which was won by Nor Cal with Pennsylvania 2nd and Washington 3rd. Eighty three judges represented different 28 states.

The 2011 Judges' Cup will be in Phoenix, Arizona January 7-9, 2011.

National Librarian Report - Judy Dobransky

There are 3 new practice DVD's to be distributed to the SJDs this year - One compulsory DVD with old and new music, one with Level 7/8 routines and one 9/10. The Level 7/8 DVD that will be distributed has the wrong date (2009) on the label but the ones that will be in the library will be corrected.

National Website Director -Judy Hoeflerlin

Judy reported that the website will have a new look soon. Some areas will be deleted and replaced with more up-to-date folders.

NCAA JAS Report - Robin Ruegg

A summary of the 2010 collegiate judging scene was given with suggestions for next year. A total of 402 judges were active and 2214 assignments were made for regular season meets and conference championships.

Robin Ruegg has resigned due to a new professional work assignment, which is requiring more time.

New for 2011:

- An on-line self-test that each judge will be required to take before assignment to competitions can be completed.
 - Action was taken to define per diem rates when 3 overnight stays are required
When a judge serves as the meet referee and must report early, the following meet fee will be paid when a judge is:
 - Requested to report 2-6 hours early on the day of the meet - 1/2 meet fee
 - Requested one day early - daily fee plus per diem
 - Requested two days early - 2 daily fees plus per diem for each day.
- Motion: Tebben/Heppner Approved 10-0.

Some of the other recommendations being made for 2011:

- Clarity that the mileage is measured via MapQuest or Google map
- Need to reemphasize what should happen in case of inclement weather

National JAS Director - A closed ballot election was held to select the person to finish out the 2-year term for National JAS Director position vacated by Robin Ruegg's resignation. Carole Ide was selected to complete the term.

The following individuals were selected by the JAS committee to fill the open positions for four year terms as JAS assigners (alphabetically): Evelyn Chandler, Lois Colburn, Mary Milchanowski, Kat Sgamba and Joyce Wallace.

Meeting Adjourned 7:30 PM

Motion: Heppner/Carlson Approved 10-0.

Meeting Re-called to Order July 13, 2010 8:30 AM by President, Carole Ide

Constitution Committee Report- Evelyn Chandler, Mary Lee Martin, Ann Heppner

- 1) The committee recommends that the issues that were left unfinished last year will be addressed after a survey of all members is completed this fall. The survey will be completed on-line by December and results will be addressed by the National Board at the January meeting at the National Judges' Cup.
- 2) Election date changes - The following changes to the election calendar were recommended in order to allow new SJDs to have more time to make arrangements for the summer meeting and conduct the SGB elections.
 - RJD Election - Assume office - May 15
 - SJD Election - Send Ballots - April 10
 - Ballots due - May 1
 - Assume office - May 15
 - SGB Election - Letter of eligibility sent - June 1
 - Letters due - June 15
 - Ballots sent - July 1
 - Ballots due - July 21
 - Assume office - August 1
- 3) Recommend SJD Responsibilities be clarified as follows:
 - Add to 16th-18th bullets - After consultation with "and approval of" State Governing Board Members
 - Add to 19th bullet - Formulate an annual budget with the "approval of" the SGB
 - Add to 25th bullet - Hold a minimum of one State Governing Board Meeting per year. This meeting must be publicized to all SGB members at least 4 weeks in advance and to all members at least 3 weeks in advance. A quorum (one more than 50%) must be in attendance in order for the meeting to be official. Within 1 month after the meeting, minutes must be sent to the RJD
 - New bullet - An annual financial report that indicates expenses and income for the entire year must be made available to the members annually. Members are entitled to know the balance of the account but it does not have to be included in the annual report.

Approved 10-0

Old Business

- 1) Uniform Update - Susan.Johnson@landsend.com is the new contact person at Lands End. Sales are going well and seem to appreciate the product and the interactions with the company.

New Business

- 1) Develop and/or revisit requirements for Life Members and/or Hall of Fame. It was requested that we do some research on the difference between the two lists and possibly revisit the requirements of each. This will be addressed at the next meeting.
New Life Members to be inducted at the banquet this year will be: Carole Ide, Pat Panichas and June Moreland. In addition, Pat Panichas will be honored as the newest member of the NAWGJ Hall of Fame. Motion: Heppner/Synol
Approved: 9-0
- 2) Social Networking Sites - The recent increase in social networking sites has made it necessary to remind judges that care should be taken when sending messages. There is a need for professional behavior on and off of the competitive floor. There is a session focusing on this issue at the symposium.
- 3) On Line Banking Issues - All directors will be asked to check their bank accounts monthly as a result of one state having a large error occur on the part of the bank.
- 4) Request for SJD memberships to be waived - The issue was discussed but not brought to a motion.
- 5) The directors' financial report will be updated so they can be completed on-line as well as reflect the areas that are most often utilized. Sheila Ragle is in charge of the updated version.
- 6) Ballots for SGB Election
- 7) State Website and Privacy issues
- 8) Independent Contractor Statement in manual
- 9) State Newsletters or State Website
The following will be added to the Newsletter Requirement - An updated website containing educational information will meet this criteria. Motion: Carlson/Tebben
Approved: 10-0
- 10) Discussion - Carpooling and Insurance Issues
- 11) National Meeting - 2011 - The SJDs will be asked to make the final site selection between the three locations that were researched - Denver area, Las Vegas or Seattle. The National Board meeting schedule will be adjusted to include input from the SJD meeting.
- 12) "Score My Gymnast" Proposal - A company requested that Carole present their concept to the NAWGJ membership for support. A discussion was held and no motion was made to move forward with support for this business.
- 13) Netties - It was decided that the purpose of the Nettie Awards had been realized and this would be the final year of their distribution. Another avenue to recognize the outstanding work of the state judging directors would be designed for 2011. The SJDs will be asked for feedback on potential ways to recognize outstanding efforts.
Motion: Panichas/Ragle Approved: 10-0
The 2010 Netties were awarded to:
Best Website: Colorado - Jana Prochazka
Best Educational Article: Arkansas - Mary Beth Zeagler
Most Humorous Article: Kentucky - Michael Crowe
Best Layout and Design: Pennsylvania - Barb Cutillo
Best Informational Article: Pennsylvania - Barb Cutillo

Best Feather Article - Colorado - Jana Prochazka
Special Awards: Carole Ide and Evelyn Chandler

14) Regional Reports - Regional Reports were distributed and shared.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45PM. Motion: Carlson/Martin Approved: 10-0.

Addendum: The meeting was called to order for a special session at 12:45, Saturday, July 17. The purpose of the meeting was to select a NAWGJ representative to the USAG Board of Directors Advisory Council.
Carole Ide will represent the NAWGJ on the USAG Board of Directors Advisory Council.
Motion: Tebben/Synol Approved: 10-0.

Meeting Adjourned: Motion: Ragle/Packwood Approved: 10-0

Respectively submitted,



Evelyn Chandler

Minutes read and approved,



Carole Ide