

The mission of NAWGJ is to provide professional development for its members and to support and promote women's gymnastics in the United States.

**NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS JUDGES
NATIONAL GOVERNING BOARD MINUTES**

Hosted by Zoom

May 4, 2021

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Cookie Batsche at 7 p.m. EDT. After welcoming everybody, she called for a roll call for the record:

President: Cookie Batsche

Vice President: Ann Heppner

Director of Finance: Robin Ruegg

Secretary: Denise Green

Region 1: Teresa Barnard

Region 2: Priscilla Hickey

Region 3: Marilyn Blilie

Region 4: Robin Smith

Region 5: Debbie Campbell

Region 6: Pat Panichas

Region 7: Bonnie Synol

Region 8: Diane Thompson

National Collegiate Assigner: Lois Colburn

National Education Director: Janice Eyman

National Historian: Gina Fuller

National Judges Cup Director: Evelyn Paradis

National Librarian: Judy Dobransky

National Website Director: Brenda Eberhardt

MOTION: Bonnie Synol

I move to approve the minutes from our March 23, 2021 Zoom meeting.

Second: Marilyn Blilie

Vote: Unanimous

For the Record

No new elections were held for NAWGJ officers.

Welcomed new members

Denise Green, Transition to National Secretary

Teresa Barnard, Region 1 RJD

Priscilla Hickey, Region 2 RJD

Gina Fuller, NAWGJ Historian

Congratulated Re-Elected Members

Marilyn Blilie, Region 3 RJD

Debbie Campbell, Region 5 RJD

Bonnie Synol, Region 7 RJD

Recognized Outgoing Members

The Awards Committee presented a tribute to Cindy Lord, Region 1 RJD and Barb Tebben, National Secretary, for their years of hard work and numerous contributions to NAWGJ.

Vote: Duty to Maintain Membership Profile

MOTION: Ann Heppner

I move the following statement: "NAWGJ members are responsible for updating their profiles on the membership site. This ensures correct information will be available for voting purposes and for assigning."

Second: Debbie Campbell

Vote: Unanimous

This statement will be posted on the NAWGJ website home page "What's New" as well as the "Elections" web page and relevant documents.

Committee Discussion

Ad-hoc Uniform Committee proposed language to be shared with USA Gymnastics/ Women's Technical Committee regarding a change in uniform guidelines in the Rules and Policies.

Current language: Dress appropriately, regardless of the level of competition, in the required uniform (Navy skirt/pants and jacket, white blouse/shirt (Exception: theme invitationals)).

Proposed language: Dress appropriately, regardless of the level of competition, in the required uniform (Navy skirt/**dress**/pants and jacket/**sweater**, white blouse/shirt (Exception: theme invitationals). **Judges are required to wear a suit jacket at state meets and above or when requested by the Meet Director.**

Vote: Unanimous

The committee will develop preliminary professional guidelines for the uniform to be discussed at the SJD Workshop in July.

Reviewed committees, timelines and process

- Committees work on projects between May 4 and mid-June
- Committee chairs send out proposals to entire Board mid-June
- July 7-8: Committees meet in Seattle to finalize proposals based on Board feedback
- July 7-10: Proposals finalized and voted on by Board

Discussion on 2022 SJD meeting: In-person or virtual

After reviewing the SJD poll, the majority preferred a combination of in-person and virtual meetings.

MOTION: Robin Smith

I move we employ the following schedule for the Annual SJD Workshop:

2021 In-person

2022 Virtual SJD workshop July 8-10, NGB June 25-26

2023 In person (new SJD's elected this year) Coincides with National Symposium

2024 In-person (new SJD's elected this year)

2025 Virtual SJD workshop (subject to change)

National Governing Board will meet in-person annually

Second: Bonnie Synol

Vote: Unanimous

The Site Committee proposed a Region 5 site for 2022 and will continue their communications with their contact person.

Annual SJD Workshop

Potential topics for the SJD Workshop in July 2021 were discussed.

MOTION to adjourn: Cindy Lord

Second: Pat Panichas

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 EDT

COMMITTEE ROSTERS

STANDING COMMITTEES

Constitution Committee: Ann Heppner**, Bonnie Synol, Denise Green

JAS Committee: Cookie Batsche**, Lois Colburn, Pat Panichas, Robin Ruegg, Robin Smith

Finance Committee: Robin Ruegg**, Robin Smith, Debbie Campbell, Priscilla Hickey

Education Committee: Marilyn Blilie**, Jan Eyman, Denise Green, Judy Dobransky, Pat Panichas, Priscilla Hickey

Website Content Committee: Cookie Batsche**, Brenda Eberhardt, Gina Fuller, Jan Eyman, Ann Heppner

Awards Committee: Bonnie Synol**, Marilyn Blilie, Brenda Eberhardt, Evelyn Paridis

Professional Responsibility: Robin Ruegg**, Ann Heppner, Diane Thompson, Teresa Barnard

Site Committee: Bonnie Synol**, Evelyn Paridis, Marilyn Blilie, Debbie Campbell, Teresa Barnard

Helping Hands Committee: Robin Smith**, Diane Thompson, Teresa Barnard, Priscilla Hickey

History Advisory

Diane Thompson**, Gina Fuller, Pat Panichas, Judy Dobransky, Lois Colburn

AD HOC COMMITTEES

Ad Hoc Uniform Committee: Cookie Batsche**, Denise Green, Debbie Campbell

** Denotes Committee Chairperson