

# **NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS JUDGES**

Executive Committee Board Work Session

Via Zoom

April 15, 2026

## **Call to Order**

President Teresa Barnard called the session to order on April 15, 2026, at 6:10 am PT

In attendance:

President: Teresa Barnard

Vice President: Bonnie Synol

Director of Finance: Robin Ruegg

Secretary: Denise Green

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **President Update**

Video policy - Will research various organizations' processes regarding sanction requirements for photographers

### **Events:**

NJC Bids for 2028 - One bid received from Dean and Debbie Capelotti

- Motion to approve the bid from the Dean and Debbie Capilietti for the 2028 NJC, Hyatt Regency, Dallas, TX
- Unanimously approve

2026 July BOD meeting in Kansas City, MO: discussed hospitality expenses

2027 National Symposium update

Working with Events Committee on speakers, activities, and event site-specifics

### **Elections**

National Secretary

April 10 - Vice President emails each eligible candidate

April 20 - Candidate Application Form due to Vice President

April 20-25 - Test election conducted

April 25-May 5 - Voting: Regional Judging Directors and Executive Officers

August 1 - Newly elected National Secretary assumes office

State Committee Elections process

April 28th - 6:00 pm Pacific Time - Vice President, President, Secretary meet with SJDs from even

Regions to discuss State Committee composition and process

- SJDs meet with SC for approval of composition of new SC
- SJDs notify VP and state members SC positions
- May 25th - Application packets sent to RJDs to forward eligible candidates
- June 10th - Candidate Application Form due to VP and RJD
- June 25-July 10 - Voting
- July 15 - Newly elected State Committee Members assume office

## **Membership**

Discussed methods for encouraging annual profile reviews. Considering integrating checkboxes requiring members to certify the accuracy of their data and their ongoing commitment to NAWGJ policies.

## **Finance**

Robin Ruegg, Director of Finance: Requested permission from the Executive Board to increase payment to Financial Assistants for the Director of Finance from \$27 to \$28/hour.

- Unanimously Approve

Matter of record: Applying the 2.7% CPI for 2025, NAWGJ fees for clinicians for 2026 are \$219 for preparation, \$219 for presenting an hour clinic. This is up from \$213 each for 2025.

Robin and Teresa will meet May 8 to work on a preliminary financial proposal for the 2027 Symposium. With a new chair, the Helping Hands Committee will need to determine scholarship criteria and amounts for Symposium.

Budget vote: 4/15/26 - Board of Directors approved proposed 2026 and 2027 NAWGJ budgets.

Requesting the Finance Committee to establish a 'Best Practices' protocol regarding the use of NAWGJ state funds to reimburse judges' Conus rate for single-room lodging at post-season USAG meets.

- Will discuss with BOD at Summer meeting

## **Official Documents**

Review of NAWGJ Rules of Professional Conduct and Disciplinary Procedures and possible updates. Will meet with the Ethics Committee prior to the next BOD meeting to develop proposals.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### Professional Development

Many questions were asked at the Regional USAG meets. To address this, the Professional Development Committee will send a Google Form to the BOD requesting questions from its membership, e.g., assignments, pay, requirements for various levels, single hotel rooms, reimbursements. The Committee will research and post Q&A on the national website.

- Many concerns are not under the jurisdiction of NAWGJ, but we will provide information as best we can.

### Collegiate Judging

- Response to social media interview. Judges would like to see us do an interview about how judges are certified and assigned to NCAA meets. Collegiate Judging Committee has discussed this in the 2025-26 season and has plans to reach out to the media to provide education

Education: NAWGJ Education Committee is compiling routines for practice judging to prepare for the upcoming testing.

- Rapid Reviews with the rules posted ASAP
- Unscored level 10 routines available as determined by the Education Committee
- Rapid Review Routines and script for level 10 by August

Discussed expectations and use of NAWGJ Videos

Meeting adjourned: 8:45 am PT

Next Meeting: May 13, 2026, 7:00 am PT