



Agenda
Women's Program Committee Meeting #1
December 4th, 2015
Coast Canmore Hotel
9:00pm-11:00pm

Attendance:

C.Foster	WP Assistant	J. Mosier	WPC Canadians Rep
N. Bulgarelli	WPC Chairperson	C. Ewaschuk	WPC Provincials Rep
K. Jones	WPC HP Rep	K. Baksh	WPC Aspiration Rep

Regrets:

S. Wilson	Judging Representative
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1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Agenda

MOTION: To approve the agenda

J. Mosier/K. Baksh

3. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting, June 23, 2015

MOTION: to approve previous minutes

K. Baksh/K. Jones

4. Reports

WJC Chair – S. Wilson

- Judges courses are all complete. They took place in both Calgary and Edmonton
- Judges list is available from the WP Assistant

WPC Chair – N. Bulgarelli - Attached

5. Welcome WPC

- 4.1. Introductions

- Jeremy Mosier, Kim Jones, Kim Baksh, Courtney Ewaschuk, Niki Bulgarelli
- Wayne Boyd is no longer the Westerns Representative on the WPC

- 4.2. Roles and Responsibilities

- Niki briefly went over everyone's specific roles and responsibilities

- 4.3. Governance Model

- Brief discussion over the new Governance model
- Jeremy pointed out that he thinks it should be AGF's responsibility to do all site visits

ACTION: For the WP Assistant to look through previous WPC meeting minutes to determine when it was decided that a member of the WPC should also be present when doing a site visit

- Will continue discussion on this at the next WPC meeting

6. Old Business

- 6.1 Calendar of Events

- Alberta Winter Games
 - February 13-17, 2016
 - Medicine Hat
 - The request for judges has gone out. AGF will require 9 judges, 2 per event plus a Competition Head Judge. The judges need to be registered by January 13, 2016
 - Discussion with sportzsoft and how we can make it easier to access

ACTION: For the WP Assistant to talk to Sportzsoft about the possibility of making an app. Request that they look at "Beyond the Scores" App

- Southern Zones
 - March 18-20, 2016 in conjunction with UCIC
 - The WPC agrees that the registration dates can be changed to earlier to assist with Southern Zones and UCIC session planning. The late registration date will still be 10 days before the competition as outlined in the technical handbook

- For awards, the WPC would like to combine UCIC awards with Southern Zone awards and then conduct Southern Zones awards after
- Competition fees will be the price that the U of C charges for the UCIC
 - Carolyn is meeting with the U of C on Monday, December 7th to review schedule and groupings
 - Will discuss the timing of the session, the WPC does not want session running too late into the evening like they did last year
 - The judges committee is concerned with the panels, the WPC would like to see a tentative schedule for the Zones sessions as soon as possible. The judges have been asked to keep this weekend free to judge, but generally there is difficulty getting enough judges to judge at this competition. This will require a lot of work.
- Northern Zones/Trials to Westerns
 - April 1-3, 2016
 - North Edmonton Gymnastics Club
- Provincials
 - April 15-17, 2016
 - Fort McMurray
 - Recommend to clubs that they should book hotels and flights soon as the prices are reasonable right now
- Westerns
 - May 5-7, 2016
 - Richmond, BC
 - Niki possesses an Eastern's technical manual and will compare to our Westerns manual for team coaches
 - Email has been sent to clubs requesting managers and reminding coaches and managers about Police and Child welfare Checks
 - Self-travel for athletes and coaches as it is in a neighboring Province
 - Hotels are booked for all our Alberta teams
- Canadians
 - May 31 – June 5, 2016
 - Edmonton
 - Physiotherapist suggestions – Jeremy has talked to Kate and is working out the details
 - CCGC has a physio coming in to do assessments on their athletes and will inform the WPC how she is
 - Kyra Klein from Phoenix can also help find a physiotherapist if needed
 - Kim B. can arrange accommodation if the physiotherapist is from out of town
 - The athlete social will be at Galaxyland or the Waterpark in West Edmonton Mall
 - Coaches Social might be at the Red Piano at West Edmonton Mall
 - Niki also had a suggestion about the coaches social and will talk to the organizing committee

6.2 Coaching Mentorship Program

- All mentees are doing well and have begun working with their mentors

7. New Business

7.1 New Women's Program Coordinator

- The posting closes December 11th, interviews to be planned as soon as possible
- WP Assistant requested the help of the WPC to go through resumes and possibly attend a luncheon or two once the candidates have been selected
- All WPC members are interested in helping with the selection of the new WP Coordinator; Jeremy declined as there is a conflict of interest with one of the applicants
- Discussed the pros and cons of hiring an individual with no gymnastics experience

7.2 Categories for JO 9 and 10

- National: JO 9 (11-13) and JO10 (12+)
- Provincial: JO 9 (14+)
- No Provincial level JO10

7.3 Warm-ups for JO

- At the mock meet there were concerns raised over the warm-up not following JO exactly. The coaches present thought it needs to be more continuous.

- The CJO has now outlined warm-ups and they are all blocked into group warm-ups.
- Discussed using athlete cards to create rotations; coaches bring up their athlete order at each rotation
- Gym Power will use athlete cards to test how efficient it is

ACTION: For WP Assistant to talk to Exelta to see if they are willing to use the athlete cards as well

7.4 Fall Congress

Ideas for presenters

- Over the last few congresses, beam and artistry has been lacking; would like to bring in a beam presenter
- Would also like a JO 1-5 presenter to concentrate on the Compulsories
- Spotting session always do well; if we do a spotting session, we need to make sure there is enough time to cover everything
- Need some session for higher level coaches
- Want presenters that can hit multiple sessions
- Nicole Langevin and Linda Johnson (choreographers and compulsory masters)
- Alex Baird
- Mary Lee Tracey (bars, leaps, beam, NCAA)
- Someone to talk about a yearly plan (David from CGC)
- JP and Jennifer Kramer (from London)
- Discussed the possibility of having certification courses to go along with Fall Congress

ACTION: For WP Assistant to talk to Gina about course scheduling.

7.5 Westerns Representative

- Send out nomination forms Monday, December 7, 2015
- Close ballot vote if needed

7.6 Judging Training

- Concerns were raised in regards to judges training; the JO 6-8 judges did not get trained on the compulsory levels and no judges have been trained on JO 1-3
- Kim is concerned with JO 1-3 judging. Would like to figure out how the WPC can certify judges for those levels.
- Jeremy mentioned that this should have been under the competitive judging system and that Alberta should look at adding JO1-3 into the provincial judging system.
- Discussion over why there is a judges rep on the WPC; the WPC would like to know if they can have a member on the WJC
- Concerns over scheduling for competitions and which judges to bring in for which level
- The WPC suggested that all judges should be mandated to take the compulsory courses; could this change be brought in for the 2016-17 season.
- Is it possible to have JO 1-3 course offered as well; JO 1-3 is under the Recreational Development committee and the WPC would need to discuss with them if this is possible
- All judging questions or concerns should be directed towards the WJC Chairperson, Sheri Wilson

7.7 Canada Winter Games

- When do we need to start doing our funding planning, year 2?
- Would like to send athletes to various out of country competitions before the Games

ACTION: For WP Assistant to check when we need to plan our funding for Canada Winter Games

7.8 JO Level Groupings

- WP Coordinator and WP Assistant will attempt to split age groups as evenly as possible; group ages together if needed, split them up if needed
- The WPC wants to try and keep numbers as fair as possible on how many athletes from each level make it to Provincials
- JO 4 Zones is like their Provincials: C. Ewaschuk is going to work on making it a BIG show

8. Adjournment

Next Meeting: Same weekend as Exelta

Motion: to adjourn

J. Mosier/C. Ewaschuk