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Criteria for Nominations for RACC & RPECC

CRITERIA FOR NOMINATIONS

All nominees must be:

- Professional Members of the Women's Program at least 21 years old and in good standing for a minimum of two (2) consecutive years immediately prior to the nomination.
A member in good standing is defined as a person who has complied with all aspects of the program as outlined in the Rules and Policies.
- Special circumstances involving residency criteria for any State or Regional Chairman position can be petitioned to the Regional Administrative Committee (RAC), in consultation with the National Administrative Committee Chairman (NACC), if necessary. Prior to being placed on the ballot, all nominees must sign a document that verifies that they have read and understand the duties and responsibilities of the office for which they have been nominated. If resumes are to be submitted as part of the election process, they will be verified by the election commission that is receiving the nominations.

REGIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN (RACC)

Must have served for a minimum of two (2) consecutive years as:

1. USA Gymnastics State Administrative Committee Chairman (SACC), or
2. USA Gymnastics Regional Administrative Committee Chairman (RACC), or
3. A National sub-committee member

REGIONAL PRE- ELITE COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN (RPECC)

1. Must have coached an elite athlete who competed at a Classic or Challenge competition within the last four years.

ELECTIONS AND TERM OF OFFICE

All nominees for positions must meet the prerequisites in Article V. All positions within the Women's Program Committee shall be elected for specific terms of office, at regularly scheduled intervals.

REGIONAL OFFICERS

1. Regional Officers - Regional Administrative Committee Chairmen (RACC), Regional Pre-Elite Committee Chairmen (RPECC), Regional Junior Olympic Committee Chairmen (RJOCC), and Regional Technical Committee Chairmen (RTCC) shall be elected by a vote of the Women's Program Professional membership within each Region.
2. Elections for Regional Administrative Committee Chairman (RACC) and Regional Pre-Elite Committee Chairman (RPECC) will be conducted the year before the Olympic Games.
3. Elections for the Regional Junior Olympic Committee Chairman (RJOCC) and Regional Technical Committee Chairman (RTCC) will be conducted 1 year after the Olympic Games.
4. They shall serve for four (4) years.
5. Elections are to be completed by June 1st and term of office begins July 1st.

Regional Administrative Committee Chairmen / Regional Elite Program Committee Chairman Election Procedures:

Regional Administrative Committee Chairmen and Regional Pre-Elite Committee Chairman are elected by the women's professional members in their respective region. Names of candidates will be announced in February in the following manner:

- Call for Nominations published and/or posted online for a minimum of one month prior to the submission deadline of no later than March 1.
- Each RACC must verify that the nominee meets the criteria for nomination, has agreed to run, understands the job requirements and has submitted a brief résumé (no more than 300 words).

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- Each RACC electronically sends to the Women's Program Assistant (RBrazo@usa-gymnastics.org) the name, city and state and the résumé of each candidate (No photos) in a Microsoft Word document NO LATER than March 15th.
- If a region does not need to conduct an election because there is only one candidate, that information is also to be sent to the Women's Program Assistant.
- The official Slate of Nominees for each Region will be posted on the USA Gymnastics web-site to begin voting by April 1st. The voting will be concluded on April 15th.
- The week after April 15th the RACC's will receive their respective region's election results by email, including the actual vote counts in the event that any of the candidates wants to know this information. The RACCs will notify all of the candidates of the election results
- If a run-off election is necessary – the Women's Program Assistant will work with the individual RACC on the procedures.

Regional Administrative Committee Chairmen and Regional Pre-Elite Committee Chairman are elected by a majority vote (1 over 50% of votes cast.) If no candidate receives a majority on the first ballot, a run-off election will be held between the 2 candidates receiving the most votes. Run off elections will be announced on the Regional and National websites on March 31st. If a run off election is needed, it will be conducted on the National website.

In the case of a tie in the run-off election, the Regional Administrative Committee will vote to break the tie. If only 1 nomination is received, the National Administrative Committee Chairman/National Pre-Elite Committee Chairman will cast one vote and the nominee will be elected by acclamation.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

REGIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN (RACC)

The Regional Administrative Committee Chairman (RACC) is responsible for the overall organization, administration, and finances of the Region. With the help of specialized people, the Regional Administrative Committee Chairman (RACC) develops gymnastics in the region.

1. Be responsible for the overall organization of all regional events.
2. Represent the region as a voting member on the Administrative Committee (AC) and attend any Sub-committee meetings for the Region, as needed.
3. Attend as many events in the region as possible to lend assistance and to evaluate the program.
4. Prepare a written annual report of regional activities and submit this report to the National Administrative Committee Chairman (NACC).
5. Serve as the Women's Program consultant for the region and answer correspondence directed to the regional office.
6. Inform the National Administrative Committee Chairman (NACC) of any major problems.
7. After due investigation, receive recommended corrective measures from the National Administrative Committee Chairman (NACC). Necessary action will then be taken by the National Administrative Committee Chairman (NACC).
8. Actively solicit members to the USA Gymnastics Women's Professional Membership Program.
9. Request the Regional Pre-Elite Committee Chairman (RPECC), Regional Junior Olympic Committee Chairman (RJOCC), to submit reports of their activities.
10. Be responsible to see that all states have a State Administrative Committee Chairman (SACC), either by election or appointment.
11. Prepare and disseminate information to Women's Program Professional Members.
12. Send any materials published in the form of newsletters, etc., by the Regional Administrative Committee Chairman (RACC) to the Senior Director of Women's Program and the National Administrative Committee Chairman (NACC), National Junior Olympic Committee Chairman (NJOCC), National Pre-Elite Committee Chairman (NPECC), and National Technical Committee Chairman (NTCC).
13. Be responsible for:
 - a. conducting regional congress.
 - b. awarding of regional competitions and ordering awards.
 - c. attending all regional meetings and competitions.

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- d. providing consultation for the organization of all events.
- e. collecting entry forms for Regional entries into the Junior Olympic East/West and National Championships.
- f. service and recognition awards for the region.
14. Determine the site and meet director for Regional Elite Qualifying meets (or for the Junior Olympic Regional Championships), in conjunction with the Regional Technical Committee Chairman (RTCC) and the Regional Pre-Elite Committee Chairman (RPECC) (or the Regional Junior Olympic Committee Chairman (RJOCC)). Site and directors shall be determined by soliciting bids. The Regional Administrative Committee Chairman (RACC) shall see that these events follow the USA Gymnastics Rules and Policies for competitions.
15. Establish procedures to raise operating funds for the region, if necessary. The Regional Administrative Committee Chairman (RACC) may, with the approval of the Regional Administrative Committee (RAC), determine and/or collect competition and/or club fees for the purpose of raising operating funds for the region. All fees will be retained in the Regional account for use as determined by the Regional Administrative Committee (RAC).
16. Maintain a regional checking account. Within this account, the Regional Administrative Committee Chairman (RACC) shall duly record Regional Pre-Elite Program/TOP, Junior Olympic Program and the regional program funds and disbursements.
17. Follow the reporting procedures on a quarterly basis as outlined in "Financial Reporting Procedures" document.
18. Be responsible for ensuring that the State Administrative Committee Chairmen (SACC) in that Region follow the reporting procedures as outlined in the "Financial Reporting Procedures" document for all State accounts.
19. Keep all receipts, bank statements and cancelled checks for all the accounts of the Region for five (5) years.
20. Be directly responsible to the National Administrative Committee Chairman (NACC).
21. Provided that they have attended a current Test Administrator Workshop, may serve as a Test Administrator for the certification of judges.

REGIONAL PRE-ELITE COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN (RPECC)

1. Attend the meetings of the National Pre-Elite Committee (NPEC).
2. Serve as:
 - a. the chairman of the Regional Pre-Elite Committee (RPEC).
 - b. a member of the Regional Administrative Committee (RAC).
 - c. a member of the Regional Junior Olympic Committee (RJOC).
3. Provide a minimum of one (1) Regional clinic per year for gymnasts and coaches.
4. Assist with the regional clinic/congress and competitions when called upon by the Regional Administrative Committee Chairman (RACC).
5. Submit a financial report to the Regional Administrative Committee Chairman (RACC) for reimbursement of travel, phone and postage expenses.
6. Be prepared to represent the views of the region at annual meetings by the use of surveys and observations.
7. File a written report of regional elite activities/meets with the National Pre-Elite Committee Chairman (NPECC), when requested.
8. Organize and implement the Talent Opportunity Program in the Region.
9. Disseminate information to the Elite community in their region, with the assistance of the Regional Technical Committee Chairman (RTCC) and Regional Administrative Committee Chairman (RACC).
10. Consult with the Regional Technical Committee Chairman (RTCC) to assign judges for Pre-Elite Regional competitions.
11. Submit a written report to the Regional Administrative Committee Chairman (RACC) of their activities in the region. i.e. clinics, training camps, etc.

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Nomination Form for Administrative and Pre-Elite Committee Chairmen

(Please type or print clearly)

I nominate the following persons for Administrative and Pre-Elite Committee Chairman:

Name of Administrative Nominee: _____
Address of Nominee: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone(home): _____ Phone(Work): _____
E-mail: _____@_____

Name of Pre-Elite Nominee: _____
Address of Nominee: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone(home): _____ Phone(Work): _____
E-mail: _____@_____

Return completed form to: **Debby Kornegay, RACC,**
394 Stonebridge Road, Birmingham, AL 35210
OR
E-mail information from completed form to: **DebGK@Bellsouth.net**
OR
Fax completed form to: **205-951-0184**

All forms must be received by **February 28, 2007**

HURRICANE THANK YOUS

Dear Debbie,

I would like to personally thank you and members of Region 8 for the check that helped us to purchase some of the equipment damaged by the Katrina hurricane. We are in the process of locating a new facility to reopen our Acrobatic Gymnastics club that was founded in 1976 in New Orleans. The funds that you have donated will insure that we will continue training with our athletes and will not miss the 2007 US National Acrobatic Gymnastics Championships, as we have had athletes competing in all thirty nationals ever held.

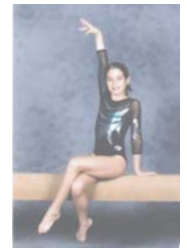
One again thank you very much for the support,

Jurek Pol

NOAT Director & Coach
New Orleans Acrobatic Team

USA Gymnastics:

I want to extend my utmost gratitude for your generous contribution to my daughter's (Manon Ellisor) gymnastics tuition at Elmwood Fitness Center in Harrahan, LA. You literally saved Manon's gymnastics career which has been such a positive part of her life. I am so grateful that people and organizations like you have given so much to our devastated community. If there is any way that I can help you in the future, please let me know. I am a video producer in New Orleans.



Thanks again to the Region 8 Hurricane Committee.

Very Sincerely,

Jackson Ellisor