

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 03/28/08

I. CALL TO ORDER:

7:03 p.m. meeting called to order by Ron Ferris
(Stan Dobrydnio sitting in as secretary for today's meeting)

II. ROLL CALL:

Roll call was not taken as a sign-in sheet was used. (See attached for a list of names)

III. MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING:

There are no minutes recorded from the last meeting. Out of the 75 registered USAG Pro Members, 7 members participated in the conference call. The last meeting was held via conference call. It was discussed that we can purchase a recording of the conference call for \$75.00 from the company. No action was taken by the membership on the matter.

IV. REPORTS:

A. Chairman's "State of the State"

i. Currently there are 75 active registered USAG Mens' professional members in Ohio. There are 23 clubs with a total of 336 registered boys who are competing (last year there were 379). The report is included with these minutes.

Level 4: 54
Level 5: 104
Level 6: 63
Level 7: 40 :
Level 8: 15
Level 9: 16
Level 10: 40
Elite: 4

ii. Ron Ferris addressed the decreased numbers. We feel that the decreased numbers are a reflection of the 4th year of the quadrennium and the state of the economy. Ohio is typically the 5th in the nation for registered athletes.

iii. In 2007 there were 9 sanctioned events in the state of Ohio including the State Clinic.

B. Financial Report

Financial report was handed out by Ron Ferris to the members attending the meeting. There was 1 head-tax that was outstanding. This was paid at the beginning of the meeting. Mike Serra from Hocking Valley added that the state is owed 2 head-taxes for competitions held by Hocking Valley. This will all go into the amended financial report. There was a motion to accept the financial report amendment by Bob Witmer, seconded by Mike Serra. The motion was passed unanimously. A copy of the revised report is included with these minutes.

C. Blaine Wilson Ohio Classic

Equipment for the Blaine Wilson Ohio Classic was included under site on the 4-year review. Equipment rental was \$7,500 (\$8,500 previous year). The cost for French Field House was \$9,000. The possibility of using an outside labor group to assist with the setup and breakdown was discussed as well as other clubs volunteering time for the meet. The clubs which helped this year were Ohio Gymnastics Institute, Midwest and Integrity.

V. Vice-Chairman

Mike Serra attended the Spring Regional meeting last year in place of Ron Ferris.

VI. Secretary

Appointment of new Secretary was undertaken at this meeting. A Motion to appoint Stan Dobrydnio of Gahanna Cyclone Gymnastics as the new Secretary was made by Norm Stulz, seconded by Mike Serra passed unanimously.

Some of the duties of the Secretary include: Minutes of meetings, membership notifications 30 days prior to meetings (must be done via US Mail). There was also a conversation regarding changing by-laws to include e-mail notifications and is being investigated by Ron Ferris.

VII. Webmaster

www.ohioboysusag.org had 2,363 hits as of 03/25/08

www.ohioboysgymnastics.org had an unknown number of hits

Wilson website had 9,542 hits as of 03/25/08

VIII. Region 5 Report

The Region 5 report was delivered by Bob Witmer.

2008 Regional Championships will be hosted by Hocking Valley.

2008 Regional camp will be tentatively scheduled as the 3rd week of July and will be a co-op camp with Region 7. Next year, Region 7 will be hosting.

USAG is pushing for a regional mini-congress in Indianapolis, late 09/08 (28th or 29th). Bo Morris will be the Region 5 educational coordinator. Regional state meeting will be held in Illinois.

JOPC meeting will be at Nationals in Battle Creek, Michigan to set qualifying scores. The qualifying scores will be set high enough to meet quota system correctly.

2009 JO Nationals will be hosted in Cincinnati by Queen City.

IX. National Report

Trampoline is still a voluntary event and will not be for points at this year's Future Stars competition.

X. Judging Assigner

Larry Byerly informed the community that there were 23 judges at the last judging course. 3 were from Pennsylvania, 5 were under age 18. Currently there are only approximately 6 or 7 judges in the state who are qualified to judge all levels of competition.

Anyone wishing to become a judge, please contact Larry Byerly through the state website. This year's judging course will be a 2-day course with the dates to be announced.

XI. Resolution by MIGSP Supporting the NCAA

Members were given the opportunity to sign the petition to promote, support or reinstate mens' collegiate programs across the country.

XII. State Calendar

At this year's State Clinic there will be state Future Stars testing held during the clinic

2009 State Championships will be held the weekend of 03/21/09. State Championships is the qualifier for the Region 5 Championships.

Regional competition will be held the weekend of 04/03/09

2009 State Championships will be held in the Columbus Area. Bids will be taken for this competition.

The State Champ Camp will be held late summer 2008 at Queen City Gymnastics. Dates and times to be announced.

There is a conference call meeting set for professional members on Sunday 08/24/08 at 7:00 p.m.. Notifications will be sent out to the community by 07/24/08. Motion for the date and time by Bob Witmer, seconded by Kenny Kawanishi passed unanimously.

There was a discussion for monies allowed for the state clinician to be obtained not to exceed \$1,000. Motion to accept by Chris Tolen, seconded by Tim Willson passed unanimously.

XIII. Topics from the Floor

There was a discussion regarding the depth of the background checks by the company hired by USA Gymnastics. Some feel that the checks are too in depth and delve into unnecessary areas increasing members' expenses. These checks are for criminal records, etc., not financial and personal.

Mike Serra presented a new idea for the open-ended code. His plan at 2008 Region 5 Championship is to have the B-panel and A-panel flash separate scores at their respective event with the cumulative score to be flashed electronically.

XIV. Adjourn

9:58 p.m. motion to adjourn the meeting by Bob Witmer passed unanimously.

ATTENDANCE LIST

Ron Ferris

Stan Dobrydnio

Tim Willson

Mike Serra

Tim Saxton

Mike Powell

John Karmecy

Deron McIntyre

Greg Ganim

Chris Tollen

Keith Pettit

Norm Stulz

Jeff Hampe

Kenny Kawanishi

Don Sellman

Larry Byerly

Bob Witmer

Dave Forester

Chairman's Report to the Membership

State of the State: March 2008

	Clubs	Pro Members	E	L10 – 16	L10 - 14	L9	L8	Open	L7	L6	L5	L4	Total
2008	23	75	4	19	21	16	15		40	63	104	54	336
2007	29	84	8	15	19	30	5	2	37	62	127	74	379
2006	31	85	9	48		20	7		29	68	119	78	378
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2005		84	9	20	18	27	44	52	153	44			379
2004		86	11	15	17	29	46	63	144	54			408
2003		79											

Financial Report - December 31, 2007

Account Balances from Report of December 31, 2006:

Checking:	\$ 905.41
Savings:	\$ 2,500.00
Wilson Savings:	\$36,975.44

Summary of Income & Expense from 01/01/07 to 12/31/07

Income: \$ 4,859.52

Expense: \$ 3,489.09

Net gain: \$ 1,370.43

Account Balances as of 12/31/07:

Checking:	\$ 1,374.95
Savings:	\$ 3,500.00
Wilson Savings:	\$32,362.29

Income:

\$4,859.52

Athlete Head Tax for Sanctioned Events: \$1,510.00

Sunrise Open – 11/18/07:	\$ 96.00
State Championship – 03/24/07:	\$252.00
BWOC – 02/18/07:	\$522.00

QC Winterfest – 01/30/07:	\$373.00
Sunrise Gymfest – 02/20/07:	\$ 91.00
GTCO Inv – 02/07/07:	\$122.00
YGC GymJammerz – 01/24/07:	\$ 54.00
'07 State Championship Awards:	\$2,571.95
Interest earned:	\$ 27.57
'07 BWOC Contribution	\$ 750.00

Expenses:

\$3,489.09

'07 State Championship Awards:	\$1,068.22
'07 Senior Plaques:	\$ 200.00

Chairman Travel:	\$1,484.85
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1). 09/21/07 State Chair Summit in Chicago, IL – \$301.65

Air = \$182.79
Travel to & from Airport = \$87.14
Parking = \$18.00
Tolls = \$6.50
Mileage = \$62.64
Internet use = \$31.72

2). US Championships in San Jose, CA – \$1,183.20

Air = \$526.60
Travel to & from Airport = \$50.11
Mileage = \$50.11
Parking = \$40.00
Hotel = \$549.96
Internet use = \$16.53

Internet:	\$175.11
Monthly fees for Lycos - Tripod:	
January - December @ \$4.95 / month = \$59.40	
Domain Name: \$19.95 / yr.	
Adobe System – January – September @ \$10.64 / month = \$95.76	

Conference Calls:	\$42.11
08/05/07 - \$42.11	

Postage:	\$18.80
Overnight of Region 5 Entries: \$18.80	

State Clinic 07/15/07:	\$500.00
Bo Morris Honorarium: \$500.00	

Assets:

Wilson Fund: \$2,104.07

Outstanding Athlete Head Tax = \$297.00 – Arnold Challenge
 \$164.00 – Winter Gymnastics Challenge
 \$ 94.00 - HV Winter Cup
 \$ 71.00 - HV Spring Fling

Equipment:

Chalk Buckets (2)	Tackle Boxes (3) (gate for BWOC)
Two way Radios (5)	Pro Score Software
Vault Runway Tape (1)	
Epson Stylus CX4800 Copier / Printer	
Laptop HP Pavilion ze4500	

Liabilities:

Money received for '08 BWOC - \$33,162.29