

**Region 5 Administrative Committee Meeting
December 1, 2020; 8:50 p.m. – 10:08 p.m.
Zoom Meeting**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:50pm by Regional Administrative Committee Chairman, Dave Stiles.

II. ROLL CALL

Present:

Dave Stiles, Regional Administrative Committee Chairman (RACC)
Char Christensen, Regional Technical Committee Chairman (RTCC)
Kittia Carpenter, Regional Junior Olympic Committee Chairman (RJOCC)
Norbert Bendixen, Illinois Administrative Committee Chairman (SACC: IL)
Dave Stiles, Interim Indiana Administrative Committee Chairman (SACC: IN)
Jason Button, Kentucky Administrative Committee Chairman (SACC: KY)
Beckey Burden, Michigan Administrative Committee Chairman (SACC: MI)
Patrick Jordan, Ohio Administrative Committee Chairman (SACC: OH)
Nancy Gibson, Regional Xcel Committee Chairman (RXCC)
Debbie Campbell, Regional Judging Director (RJD)
Augusta Lipsey, Regional Secretary and Hall of Fame Coordinator

III. NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

The 2021 National Championships, held at Ocean Center, Daytona Beach, Florida, will have the same format as in the past. Shane Sanders will investigate hotels for the Region 5 National qualifiers and their families. Because of the Covid-19 pandemic, athletes will stay with their families and they will not be required to stay the entire weekend. Families will make their own reservations through Region 5 block. A Region 5 team meeting will be held on the Thursday before the Championships. The meeting may be on Zoom to allow for social distancing.

IV. REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP ALTERNATIVES

The National Office has requested that each region develop a plan for Regional Championships if they cannot be held in person.

1. In-person Regional Championships is the first choice of the Regional Administrative Committee.
2. If the Regional Championships cannot be held in person, it was suggested that one site be chosen within each state to host a virtual Championship with Level 9's and 10's having priority. The gymnasts would compete in their own state. Zoom and / or Flyp 10 would be used in conjunction with ProScore. Using ProScore with Zoom allows the judges to input their scores from their homes. The routines would be viewed on Zoom.

Break out rooms would be used for conferences. An assistant meet director would be assigned to each site.

3. The third suggestion would be to split the Level 9's and 10's into two weekends. All other Regional Championships would be cancelled.

Discussion:

The order of priority to host regional championships if not "live" will be: Level 9 and 10; Level 7 and 8; Division Gold, Platinum, and Diamond; and Level 6 and Silver.

With all the guidelines set by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), the Level 9's and 10's will need to be separated to accommodate cleaning in-between sessions.

There is concern about the quality of the streaming in "live" virtual meets due to upload speeds available and fluctuations.

There was discussion about virtual meets held on Zoom vs. Flyp 10. There will be a meet held this month using Flyp 10 in Illinois. Norbert Bendixen will report on the successes and challenges associated with the meet.

If the decision is made to have virtual Regional Championships, state meets should be virtual in preparation for the Regional Championships.

The decision to host the Regional Championships virtually or in-person will be postponed until Mid-February since changes in CDC guidelines may change as the pandemic progresses.

The Xcel Platinum and Diamond Regional Championship site was lost; therefore, bids will be solicited again. Bids will be due in February.

V. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:08pm.

Respectfully Submitted 12/2/20

Augusta A. Lipsey

Region 5 Administrative Committee Secretary