

## **Minutes from the Georgia NAWGJ Board Meeting,**

**July 24th, 2007, at Dana Kling's home.**

*Present: Gwyned Bius, Gretchen Connell, Cynthia Davis, Jean DeArmon, Sharon Doyle, Marian Dykes, Stacey Harris, Chris Jackson, and Dana Kling.*

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm.

### **Committee Reports:**

Memberships and CPE Coordinator : Marian asks that everyone PLEASE return their judge's information sheet so she can have a complete roster available at Judge's Blast Off. Judges that do not return this form in a timely manner may not receive their gift at Blast Off. Marian reminded us that clinics must be sanctioned to get CPE credit.

Website: Chris has updated the website with new members and would also like a copy of the most recent member info. Dana would like to have some Judges' Trainer info on the website and Chris said there is plenty of room.

Contracts and Booking: Gwyned sent info to gyms about booking judges. There is no up-to-date list of gyms' current addresses and perhaps the USAG board will bring their list up to date. There are some meets before booking this year, and Gwyned will book these by e-mail so judges need to check their e-mail and respond promptly. The booking letter will go out to judges shortly. Gwyned would like to remind judges to bring COPIES of their membership cards to booking.

Fundraising: *Judges Blast Off* will be held at Roswell the first weekend after Labor Day. Cumming will be the site of the *Up, Up and Away* AAU meet in December. Stacey has ordered sling backpacks for gifts this year and will order medals and trophies soon. Lynda Loden came up with a great new logo for the meet as well as a design for the backpacks.

Hospitality: Cynthia will add TANG to the menu for Judges Blast Off.

Judges Training: Dana had classes for judges in May, and will again in August, on Thursday nights. He had a lot of positive response to the state clinic, and learned a lot for next year. Dana will order some materials (i.e. DEM Cards) to sell to the judges in the training classes.

Newsletter: I am currently working on a newsletter to go out at the end of the month. My address list is sorely in need of an update, so I've asked Marian and Jean for more recent rosters.

Member at Large: Gretchen has new Level 4-6, 7-8, and 9-10 DVD's in the library, and is waiting on scores and SV's for the new Optional DVD's. Gretchen will provide Chris

with an inventory update for the website. All new judges have been linked up with a volunteer mentor.

Several items were brought up for general discussion.

Signing scoresheets: We discussed the fact that **there is no requirement in the R&P to sign scoresheets**. However, judges may be asked to check scores by the meet director and this should still be done when requested. National Judges Cup will be held in San Diego Jan. 4th-6th. We may send someone. Judges should let Gwyned know at booking if they would be interested in this volunteer opportunity. GA scholarship fund: There was some discussion about the GA scholarship fund being administered by Heather Stepp, but the board decided we would need more info before we made a decision to contribute or not, or whether we would best serve our membership by using our funds primarily for judges education.

*A motion was made to increase the total clinic reimbursement amount for judges from \$100 to \$150 per 12-month period from August 1st (beginning August 2007) through July 31st, for those members of GA-NAWGJ in good standing with a current CPE on file.*

Motion: Gwyned. 2nd: Chris Motion PASSED unanimously.

Collegiate Workshop: Jean said that there will be a collegiate workshop in Minneapolis and that we are asked to send two representatives from Georgia. One should be an experienced collegiate judge and the other an inexperienced collegiate judge. Jean will get more info on this before we decide how to proceed. Carpool Coordinators: Jean said it was brought up at her SJD meeting that some consider it a liability to assign carpools, but after discussion of the fact that we do not assign drivers we decided not to change our current method. Event assignments on website: It was brought up that some judges may not wish to have their name appear on the website, and Marian will get permission to publish names there on her information sheet that all judges send in. Reply all: We discussed if the board should reply all to messages sent by Jean to the board, but after some discussion, we decided to let judges make their own decision. Judges' Handbook: Dana asked if he thought everyone would need a copy of the updated Judges' Handbook and the board thought that would be nice since we haven't distributed a hard copy in awhile.

At 8:03 pm the meeting adjourned.