

USAJR Board Meeting – September 2008 - Minutes

September 27, 2008

Meeting called to order at 8:02 a.m. at the DFW Marriott South in Dallas, Texas.

Present: Tim, Janice, EJ, Kathy, Kylene, Mike, Shaun, Mary, Tom, Trina, Marian, and John

Absent: Laurie and Shane

Approval of committees

- a. Competition – standing (**Tim**, Trina, Mike, EJ)
- b. Nationals Planning – standing (Tom, Mary, Kathy, Janice, Kylene, Shaun, Marian)
- c. Governance – standing (Mary, Tim, Tom)
- d. Education – standing
 - i. Will be filled at a later date
- e. All Star – Ad Hoc
 - i. Will be filled at a later date
- f. Camp Review – Ad Hoc (**Trina**, Mary, Karen Hay)
 - i. Committee charged with reviewing Carmen Simpson's proposal and making recommendations to BOD via email in two weeks.

Mary moves to approve the above committees as recommended. Shaun seconds. Motion passes.

June 2008 Minutes Approval

Trina moves to approve the minutes. Mike seconds. Motion passes.

Membership Fees

Tim moves to table the membership fee increase discussion until tomorrow. Mike seconds. Motion passes.

Age Determination Date

The committee moves that the age determination date change to the age you are on September 1, 2009. Nine in favor. One opposed. Motion passes.

Regional Awards

The committee proposes that first through sixth place awards at regional competitions be hand held rosette type ribbons. The competition committee will identify the ribbons. Motion passes.

Illegal Skills Rule

Committee proposes to change the illegal skill rule from section 206 L, page 17 of the rule book to read:

Illegal or prohibitive moves:

- 1. Jumping on knees*
- 2. Jumping on elbows*
- 3. Jumping on the head*
- 4. A jumper or turner may not use their feet to invert themselves off another jumper or turners body parts with the exception of the hands.*

The committee also recommends adding "Tournament Director" to the list of people able to halt a routine when an illegal skill occurs.

Shaun makes a motion to amend the current wording to include "forearms are acceptable". Kylene seconds. Nine in favor. One opposed. Amendment passes.

Nine in favor. One opposed. Motion passes as amended.

Judges' Video Ad Hoc Committee

The committee moves to add an ad hoc committee to complete a new judges' video. This committee will include Tim, Trina and additional members. This committee will dissolve upon completion of the video. Motion passes.

Grand National Music

The committee would like approval to proceed with creating a policy for making music mandatory for competition during Grand National Competition at Nationals. The actual rule will be made later and send to the board for approval via email. Motion passes.

Regional Bids

The committee recommends awarding regional bids to the following teams:

- Region 3 – Indy AirBears – April 18th*
- Region 5 – Jammin' Jumpers – April 18th*
- Region 6 – Skip It – April 18th*
- Region 10 – Extreme Air of New Hampshire – April 4th*
- Region 11 – Comet Skippers – April 4th*
- Region 12 – Summerwind – April 4th*
- Region 13 – Supersonics – April 18th*

Motion passes.

Nationals Late Registration

The Nationals Planning Committee recommends no late changes to heat sheets occur after 2pm on Thursday, June 25, 2009. Any changes made between 12pm and 2pm and any teams that do not register by 2pm are subject to a \$50 late registration fee. Motion tabled. Motion passes.

Camp Sanctions

The board moves to award camp sanctions to

*Rocky Mountain Camp – Summerwind Skippers – August 4th – 8th, 2009.
Souther Camp – Jumpin' Jammers – no dates yet, July 2009.*

Motion passes.

Camp Committee

Tim moves to create a standing camp committee. Motion passes.

Minutes Format

The board moves that the new format of the minutes is going to be outcome based.

One week to send out minutes to the board.

One week for the board to approve.

One week to post the minutes on the website.

Motion passes

Email Blasts

The board recommends an email blast will be sent to the membership including committee reports and a summary of events from the board meeting three weeks after the meeting. Motion passes.

2009 Annual Meeting

The board moves to hold our 2009 annual meeting for general membership on Sunday, June 28th after the National competition in Galveston, Texas. Motion passes.

Code of Conduct/Code of Ethics/Agreements

The board moves that all board members adopt a code of conduct and code of ethics well as sign conflict of interest and confidentiality agreements as approved by the board. Motion passes.

Strategic Initiatives

Mary moves to adopt three strategic initiatives as a part of our strategic plan. These are to Build Loyalty to USA Jump Rope, Develop Long-term Financial Stability, and to Cultivate New Market Sources. Shaun seconds. Motion passes.

Membership Fees

Kylene moves we take the subject of membership fee increases off the table for more discussion. Shaun seconds.

*Mary moves to increase the regional registration fee from \$35 to \$40. Trina seconds.
Mary amends to include "to take affect January 1, 2009". Shaun seconds. Motion passes.*

Nine in favor. One opposed. Motion passes.

Mary moves to increase the youth, adult, and coach membership fees by \$3, the family membership fees to \$8, and the club membership fees by \$5 to take affect January 1, 2009. Tom seconds. Eight in favor. One oppose. One abstention. Motion passes.

*Kylene moves to increase camp fees by \$15 for 2009. Trina seconds.
Mary tables to move the discussion surrounding camp fee increases until the January board meeting. Shaun seconds. Motion passes.*

Meeting adjourned at 12:00pm.