

# MD NAWGJ GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Location:	Win Win Gymnastics	
Date:	9.18.23	
Time:	7:00pm	
Facilitator:	Jane Flynn	

## Agenda

<b>Start Time: 7:00</b>	<p><b>Roll Call:</b> Roll was taken, with 41/49 judges in attendance.</p> <p>Thank you to Chan of Win Win Gymnastics for hosting our annual meeting!</p> <p>All members were given a MD Judging pin for their uniform, designed by Marci Blitz, PA SJD.</p> <p>Introduction of new members and members who received new ratings.</p> <p>Many thanks to Linda Ostrove, and the previous Board, for their hard work, commitment and dedication. Your work is greatly appreciated!</p> <p><b>Group Picture</b>(taken in the gym, with flag and banner) and Pizza</p> <p><b>Our Mission and Training:</b> Jane Flynn, SJD</p> <p><b>Intro of New State Committee:</b> Jane Flynn introduced all members of the State Committee, each had a minute to speak.</p> <p><b>Finances:</b> Jane Flynn reviewed our Quarterly Reports, and these will be available for viewing on the new website; promoting transparency.</p> <p><b>New Website Introduction:</b> All in attendance were able to scan code on the screen to go directly to our new website (<a href="http://mdnawgj.org">mdnawgj.org</a>) Various sections of the website were shown to all judges in attendance. Information posted about the upcoming MD Judges Cup meet. Great reference point for judges on all activities.</p>
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Many thanks to Marcy Blitz, PA SJD, for designing and donating her services in designing our new logo.

**Housekeeping Changes** USAG/Meet Referee duties, which will include attending the Coaches meeting at the beginning of each competition. (Mandatory). Practice Judging before meets is also mandatory, during the 30 minutes before the meet begins. Minimally, reviewing the rules on events, judging, and encouraging video review as well. All were able to scan a QR code for access to the document.

**National, Regional, State Meet Assigning:** Beth Renwick, USAG State Administrative Committee Chair (SACC)

Beth spoke about the process of assigning from the National to the State level. Detailed explanation of the various USAG Committees that assign judges, with input from NAWGJ. With that in mind, a photo profile sheet was created for each judge in MD. This is not for distribution, but to identify each judge. The importance of having all CPE requirements met, as well as current memberships for each judge in good standing, was stressed. A short discussion ensued regarding the new National Judges ratings, which will now be 4 levels, waiting on more details from USAG.

National Brevet Course Update: Jane Flynn

**Quick Reports from:**

1. **Assigning/ Cynthia Dunn-** Cynthia explained the importance and responsibility of the judges to keep their Gymjas account current. This is how she can see who is eligible and available for specific dates during the year.
2. **New Mentorship Program/ Sara McShane-** Sara presented some details about the new Mentorship Program for Maryland's new judges(within the last 3 years). A sheet was given out explaining the program and included the New Judge's Checklist and the support available for new judges.
3. **MD Judges Cup/ Tony Eusini-** Tony updated the membership about the upcoming Judges Meet on November 11-12. The meet will be 2 days this year, three sessions each day ending around 8 pm. Other information included the number of gymnasts registered (450), a waiting list, meet location, (Thrive Gymnastics), 5 sessions Capital Cup format, and traditional format the last session on Sunday for Level 7.

Many thanks to Alicia Zois and Donnie Calderone for donating the scoring at Judges Cup and for Donnie creating the beautiful meet logo 40th anniversary, and creating the flyer!

Thanks to Thrive Gymnastics for arranging a t-shirt vendor giving 20% of the income to our fundraiser.

<b>8:20-9:20</b>	<b>USAG Update:</b> Linda Johnson, Regional Development Program Committee Chair (RDPCC) (1 CPE credit)  <b>Meeting Adjourned: 9:21 pm</b>
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