July 16, 2010 - Discussion Meeting

Present – Jean Johnson, Mary Kraus, Betty Axelson-McClelland, Billie Stone, Mary Lou Ackman, Linda McDonald, Cyndi Zimmerman, Sue Brosnan

Cyndi Zimmerman presented the current status of all the accounts.

Discussion as to how much each judge should receive for 2009 Judges Cup. In 2008, judges received \$30 / session. 54 people worked North Judges Cup, 12 people worked South Judges Cup. 2009 had 293 sessions.

Sue will write an explanation to the membership on what they receive from the money earned at the Judges Cups. 19 judges who took the National test received \$200. Spent \$2,000 on sending two people to National Judges Cup.

Motion – Betty Axelson-McClelland made a Motion to allocate \$32 / session for people who worked 2009 Judges Cup. Billie Stone second. All in favor – Cyndi Zimmerman, Cathy Peebles (via phone), Billie Stone, Mary Lou Ackman, Sue Brosnan, Linda McDonald – Motion passed.

South Judges Cup will be hosted by Mattoon Gymnastics. Attendance must be increased, more expenses.

State Meet Assignments were discussed. Jean sent the email to Norbert asking what the USAG Committee would like from IL-NAWGJ in order to help them in choosing judges for State Meets. Jean had not received a response.

A discussion was held to determine the Board's feeling on what information should be presented. Betty Axelson-McClelland felt the goal should be to give younger judges the opportunity to get a state meet. More people, not just a limited few.

Mary Lou Ackman only the statistical report the assigners put together should be used. Feelings are hurt otherwise.

Suggested that pictures be provided to the USAG Board so they know who they are talking about. Linda will put together a PIF file. Sue took pictures at National Symposium and will forward to Linda. Will contact everyone else and ask them to forward a picture to Linda.

USAG's philosophy is they want the best. Illinois NAWGJ wants to promote a greater variety in the judges assigned to the State Meets. Jean took parts of what was said at a 2008 meeting and a letter was drafted to be sent to the USAG Committee. The draft has been sent to all members of the IL-NAWGJ board.

USAG needs to follow R&P, scheduling of break time, quality over time schedule.

There was discussion and it was decided to not provide the strongly recommended list but to provide a statement, statistic reports by the assigners, pictures and individual judge's stat sheet.

IL-NAWGJ next board meeting will be in conjunction with Regional Congress. Lunch meeting on Saturday; continue at end of session on Sunday if needed.

Everyone must send Cyndi their budgets before Regional Congress. Cyndi wants to upgrade her computer to Windows 7, cost \$110. Linda needs a new battery.

Mary Lou Ackman needs a new computer.