

**MINUTES**  
**ILLINOIS NAWGJ BOARD MEETING**  
**March 14, 2017**

- I. Call to Order Linda McDonald  
Meeting was called to order at 8 pm CT by Linda McDonald, SJD.
- II. Attendance Kathy Krebs  
Present:  
Mary Lou Ackman  
Brooke Bennett  
Hilary Carlson  
Christi Kearns  
Kathy Krebs  
Linda McDonald  
Cheryl Schuh  
Sue Woloszyk
- III. Welcome/Introductions Linda McDonald
- IV. Old Business Linda McDonald
- A. Financial Report – Sue Woloszyk
- a. The temporary Judges Cup Financial Report was provided.
- b. The final Judges Cup financial Report will not be available until all reimbursement requests for hotel rooms for Congress are processed around October 31, 2017.
- V. New Business Linda McDonald
- A. Third judge reimbursement for L10 State Meet
- a. Discussion about Illinois NAWGJ paying for the third judge at L10 State Meet.  
**Recommendation that Illinois NAWGJ shall pay for the third judge upon submission of expense receipts for hotel, judge’s pay and mileage not to exceed \$2,000.00.**  
**Motion: Hilary Carlson**  
**Second: Sue Woloszyk**  
**PASSED: 6 in Favor**

**1 No**  
**1 Abstain**

- B. Judge's Gift for Xcel Regionals
  - a. Discussion about a judge's gift for Xcel Regionals.  
**Recommendation to purchase Target gift cards in the amount of \$20.00 for Xcel Regional judges presented by Illinois NAWGJ.**  
**Motion: Mary Lou Ackman**  
**Second: Brooke Bennett**  
**PASSED: UNANIMOUSLY**
  
- C. Clinician for State Congress
  - a. Discussion regarding a clinician for a fall clinic for Illinois judges.
  - b. Hilary will contact Cookie Batsch and other clinicians regarding their availability to be a clinician for the weekend of September 30 and October 1.
  - c. Hilary will also contact prospective clinicians for Xcel presentations for the same weekend.
  
- D. Discussion items sent to the Board from Jean Johnson
  - a. Item 1—Develop a method to pay volunteers to work at the L10 State Meet.
    - 1. This item is tabled until a later date when the viability of this idea can be discussed further by the Board and if approved, would be included in the 2017 - 2018 budget.
  - b. Item 2—Develop a method for Illinois NAWGJ members to have individual monetary accounts containing money earned at Judge's Cup over multiple years that would be used to pay for recertification expenses.
    - 1. National NAWGJ has determined that individual member accounts may not be established or exist in any form in any state.
    - 2. During the previous recertification period the Board provided a number of benefits (new Codes, payment of first sitting of test) for all Illinois NAWGJ members.
    - 3. The education fund in the budget stipulates that NAWGJ members will be provided benefits for the 2018 testing year. One of the benefits is to pay for the first sitting of the test.
  
- E. Board Member Reports

- a. Administrative Assistant Kathy Krebs
  - 1. Ethics Report
    - a. There were 3 reports submitted regarding inappropriate actions by members.
    - b. One report was deemed not-actionable. One report resulted in the member being placed on Step 1 of Disciplinary Action. One report was denied by the member.
- b. Treasurer Sue Woloszyk
  - 2. Reported that some members have not cashed their JC checks.
  - 3. Name tags were ordered for new judges.
  - 4. Paid out new judge benefits.
  - 5. Statements were sent to collect assigning fees.
  - 6. Temporary report will be amended after October 31, 2017 to reflect total expenditures.
  - 7. Reported that the software that is used for accounting purposes is no longer supported and an upgrade will need to be budgeted and purchased in the next fiscal year.
- c. Judges' Cup Brooke Bennett
  - 1. Stated that bids for JC vendors will be procured earlier this year. Bids will go to the JC email.
  - 2. Will evaluate JC when the financial report is final.
- d. Web Master Cheryl Schuh
  - 1. Added new link for JAS logo on the landing page.
  - 2. Added a coach's information page to the website.
  - 3. Will add the Tom Koll contraction information to the coach's information page.
  - 4. Reported that a member alert is being developed to help members know when updates are available.
- e. Education Hilary Carlson
  - 1. Reviewed testing dates. There were 24 people who expressed an interest in testing and 4 people actually tested but no one from Illinois tested.
  - 2. Discussed future testing dates.
  - 3. Discussed study sessions.
  - 4. Discussed study sessions and testing for Southern Illinois judges who are testing up.
- f. North Assigner Mary Lou Ackman
  - 1. Requested Julie fix multiple email blasts.
  - 2. Requested that judges keep their availability up-to-date.
  - 3. Requested that more event options be added to site.
- g. South Assigner Christi Kearns

1. Requested that an Xcel spreadsheet of event assignments be added to the assigning system.
2. Requested that assigners receive an email stating the specific meets that they have to assign when the meet is created in the system.

- F. 2017 Board Election Linda McDonald
- a. Stated that June 1 is the due date for a letter of eligibility.
  - b. A candidate must be a member for one year.
  - c. Applications are due to RJD.
  - d. Exact voting dates will be announced.
  - e. New Board will be seated on August 1.
  - f. Discussed the need to eliminate the designation of “North” or “South” Assigner.
  - g. Assigners will assign for AAU also.
  - h. Assigning will be done by a committee of the 2 assigners and the SJD.
  - i. Assigners will be given specific weekends that they are responsible for assigning judges.
  - j. **Recommendation to eliminate the title of “North” and “South” assigner. Assigners will assign by committee with the SJD. Assigners will be responsible for AAU. Winners of the election for the assigning offices will be determined by the top two candidates with the most votes.**  
**Motion: Cheryl Schuh**  
**Second: Sue Woloszyk**  
**PASSED: UNANIMOUSLY**

- VI. Motion to Adjourn at 10:19 pm CT.  
**Motion: Hilary Carlson**  
**Second: Brooke Bennett**  
**PASSED: UNANIMOUSLY**

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathy Krebs  
Administrative Assistant