

IL-NAWGJSGC - Online Mtg

Committee Meeting Minutes

April 2, 2024

Via Zoom

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 pm CST by Heather Forbes, SJD.

Roll Call

Present:

Heather Forbes - State Judging Director(SJD)

Tanya Chmielewski - Administrative Assistant

Sue Brosnan - Assignor

Billy Gurin - Assignor

Cheryl Schuh - Assignor

Christi Kearns - Education

Sue Woloszyk - Financial Assistant

Sharon Sargeant - Judges' Cup

Richard Sabel - Webmaster

A quorum was met.

Financial Report - Sue Woloszyk

- Sue reported on the current status of the state of the IL-NAWGJ finances.
- A total of 36 Illinois Judges have thus far taken advantage of the IL-NAWGJ SGC educational benefit. 24 registered for National Congress, 10 for Region 5 Symposium, and 2 for Illinois State Congress. 72 Illinois judges are available to receive this benefit.
- There is a reimbursement opportunity to members confused by recent changes and who paid registration on their own.
- Plans are in place to accommodate late registrations.
- In the next IL-NAWGJSGC meeting in May, budget transfer of money into the Education Fund in preparation for 2026 needs will be discussed.
- Quickbooks will no longer be used.

Education Chairperson - Christi Kearns

- Christi polled coaches at recent competitions on what presentations they would most like to see by IL-NAWGJ at STATE Congress. The feedback was: "What are judges looking for on Vault?" and "Artistry, Dynamics and Footwork - the throughout the routine deductions".
- At STATE Congress, we have been allocated 6 "judging" presentations. 5 presentations will be by NAWGJ. The last presentation is an overall update and led by Norbert Bendixen and the SJD, Heather Forbes.
- Having a presentation on "Judging Level 7/8" for newly tested optional judges was discussed.
- Topics for presentation at STATE Congress will be finalized after the XCEL State Championships.

Judges Cup Chairperson - Sharon Sargeant

- The Chamber of Commerce in Bourbonnais allocated grant money to events which brought non-residents or people from outside of Boubannias into the area. Judges Cup was one of these events in 2023. Ideas were discussed on how to appropriate these funds. A future vote will make a determination.

State Judging Director - Heather Forbes

- NEED VOLUNTEERS AT XCEL STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS!
- At XCEL Regional Championships, Heather proposed replacing the \$20 gift card for Regional judges with Illinois-themed gift bags containing popcorn, candy and baked goods. The committee supported the idea to provide a more meaningful local experience.
- A future additional meeting with the SJD and the Assignors was discussed after Regional competitions are completed.

CLOSING - Heather Forbes.

- **MOTION** at 9:30 p.m. CST
 - Motion to Adjourn
 - MOTION: Sue Woloszyk
 - SECOND: Cheryl Schuh
 - PASSED: Unanimously