

IL-NAWGJSGC - Online Mtg

Committee Meeting Minutes

April 6, 2026

Via Zoom

The meeting was called to order at 9:02 pm CST by Heather Forbes, SJD.

Roll Call

Present:

Christi Kearns - Education Chairperson
Heather Forbes - State Judging Director(SJD)
Richard Sabel - Webmaster
Sarah Mark - Assignor
Sue Brosnan-McNamara - Assignor
Tanya Chmielewski - Administrative Assistant

Absent:

Mary Lou Ackman - Financial Assistant
Sharon Sargeant - Judges Cup Chairperson

A quorum was met.

Old Business

- February Minutes approved via online vote

New Business

- **Financials**
 - The SJD reported on the status of IL-NAWGJ finances.
 - Registration for IL NAWGJ members planning to attend National Congress will occur this week.
 - Members have started submitting for their reimbursements for the Education Benefit.
- **Education**
 - Ideas and logistics were discussed for the Wednesday online Zoom study sessions which are:
 - Occur on Wednesday evenings directly after the code has been published
 - Study sessions divided into 5 sections; Vault, Bars, Beam, Floor & General
 - Judges who were contracted and judged Vault at Level 9/10 State Championships will lead the discussion for Vault. The same principle applies to Bars, Beam and Floor. The SJD and/or Education Chairperson will lead the discussion for the General Section.
 - For each section, approximately 20 min should be used in overviewing the rules focusing and emphasizing the new changes to the code.
 - For each section and with the new rules in mind, find and prepare 7 routines for practice judging. Time may only allow for 5 routines, but be prepared with 7.
 - A few written mock routines emphasizing changes in the code is another great idea to add to the study session.
 - CPEs cannot be given for these study sessions.

- **Judges Cup**

- One area of opportunity to improve Judges Cup 2026, is to address the tasks of setting-up and tearing -down.
- Organizations to ask to help with this challenging task of setting-up and tearing-down include :
 - Local Fire station
 - “People Ready” (Day Workers)
 - Local High Schools (organizations which need volunteer hours)
 - Boyscouts

Closing

- **MOTION** at 9:20 p.m. CST
 - Motion to Adjourn
 - Motion: Christi Kearns
 - Second: Richard Sabel
 - Passed: Unanimously