

AAU Florida Gold District meeting- 7-19-18

Meeting held at Rising Stars Gymnastics

Attendance:

Raul Rojas- Florida Gold Gymnastics District Chairman

Jill Rojas- Gold Coast

Julie Wilmott-Rising Stars

Missy Martin- Gym Kidz

Jeannie Blish- Academy of Gymnastics

Stacey Hatch- Miami Beach g

Amy Kallen- Ft Lauderdale Stars

Trina Chang- Expressions of Talent

Dujon Chang- Expressions of Talent

Meeting called to order at 6:43 pm.

* Welcome, thank you for coming! Thank you to Julie for the use of her gym for the meeting.

For the 2019 meeting, we would like to change locations to Ft Lauderdale Stars Gymnastics.

Congrats to all clubs for a successful season.

Review of Competition Rules:

- **Music at meets:**

Cd players not required at meets. Music must be on a compatible device. Remind/Recommend that coaches bring cords or adapter to ensure that their device plays their music.

- **Coach's attire on the comp floor:**

Closed toe shoes to be worn always during the competition. No spaghetti straps/tank tops, no hats/visors.

No short-shorts (soffe or short cut style). If a coach is not in proper attire, they will be asked to leave the competition floor or change into different attire.

- **Wording adjustment in the handbook:**

Child/athlete must compete at minimum of 2 licensed events to compete at Championships.

Previous wording read the "club" must compete in 2 meets.

- **For clubs Hosting meets:**

- If times/schedule should change prior to the competition – verification by email or phone call is required.

--all coaches must sign in at Meet Directors table.

- **Discussion:** What to do if a coach is on the floor w/out a AAU membership?

That coach will be asked to verify and show proof his/her current AAU membership. It is the responsibility of the coach to keep/show/have available their current AAU membership card—either by paper or digital copy.

The meet director will have a list of current members/coaches. If verification cannot be made- that coach must leave the competition floor.

- **Discussion:** Meet directors- please be aware when setting your meet times. Example: Try not to begin the last session at 7:00pm with younger athletes.

- **Discussion:** Athletes attending out of session-

In the (2017-18) season, there were multiple meets that reported that athletes arrived to meets at the incorrect session times. Due to the athletes arriving at the incorrect times, it left the meet directors in a scramble to adjust or try to accommodate to permit the athlete to compete.

There is a lot to consider as a meet director.

- Session times- single athlete or multiple athletes added to a session. There are negative effects for the future sessions. Sessions have extended time. Future sessions to be off times.
- Fees- Additional costs for the meet director/judges, and possible additional fees incurred by facility
- Clubs/Athletes/spectators- This could cause a negative outlook for that competition.
- Awards- Athletes who did compete at the wrong times are NOT eligible for individual or team awards.

- **Motion to add to the Handbook:**

It is at the discretion of the meet Director to permit/add athletes to compete out of session.

It is **not required** for a Meet Director to add an athlete to the meet.

If an athlete is permitted to compete out of session, they are **not eligible** for individual or team awards.

Motioned- Jill Rojas

Seconded by Julie Wilmott

Motion: PASSED

- **Discussion:** If a meet is cancelled, should there be a cancellation fee due to Florida Gold?
Not at this time- Subject was tabled for a future discussion.

- **Motion to add to the Handbook:**

If a meet is cancelled, the following year, it will not be eligible to be a licensed AAU event and will not be placed on the Florida Gold calendar.

Motioned- Jill Rojas

Seconded by Stacey Hatch

Motion: PASSED

- **Discussion:** For Level 1, should we add placement for AA? Split by age groups or keep as group recognition?
The consensus was to keep the same awards procedure.
- **Discussion:** Nationals
Leotard—color for this year--- design (didn't show well) adjustment will be made for next year. Was there a preference color for next year? ---Blue, blue hombre, Black, different? No color was chosen for 2019.

FG would like to continue providing athletes gift for competing at Nationals.

Are there any additional ideas for athlete's gifts? Bag or continue shirts?

**We should consider selling shirts to parents to represent FG at Nationals. At the past 2 Nationals it was noticed that parents were wearing the athlete gift to the meet.

We will continue with shirts. It seems to be a good idea to sell adult shirts. Possible pre-sales and or sales at Championships.

- **Discussion:**
Funds to be used for an AAU FG clinic to assist coaches in the upcoming season for Compulsory & Optional levels.
Reviewing rules, routines and answering questions. Can we use FT Laud stars locations? Yes.
More info soon.

INFORMATION

- Florida Gold will continue to follow USA Gymnastics guidelines.
- We will follow the Rules for Xcel Program 2018-2022 - Effective August 1st, 2018.

Here is the Joint Xcel/Technical Committee minutes from May 15, 2018 for the new X-Silver Vault

https://usagym.org/PDFs/Women/Committee%20Minutes/NXC/nxc_ntc_051518.pdf

WOMEN'S JR. OLYMPIC LEVELS 6 / 7 / 8 VAULT VALUES Effective August 1, 2018-July 31, 2022

https://usagym.org/PDFs/Women/Rules/J.O.%20Code%20of%20Points/appndx03_level6_8vaultvalues_0518.pdf

To have all the latest updates and information for USA Gymnastics- JO program & Xcel, you may want to download the digital apps.

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2018-19 Meet Schedule for AAU Florida Gold District

Date	Licensed FL Gold AAU Competitions	Host Club	Location
Dates of meet	Name	Host Club	Location
October 6-7	Celebrate America	Genies	Wellington
October 20-21	Gold Rush	Gold Coast	Lantana
November 3-4	Novemberfest	Rising Stars	Boca
January 19-20	Winter in Paradise	Gold Coast	Lake Worth
January 26-27	New Years Invitational	Twins	Coral Springs
February 9-10	Shelton Winter Challenge	Shelton Academy	Doral
March 2-3	Arabian Nights	Genies	Wellington
March 16-17	Rock Superstar	Ft Lauderdale Stars	Ft Lauderdale
April 6-7	Beach Blast	Cats	Wellington
April 27-28	Spring Spectacular	Rising Stars	Boca
May 18-19	Florida Gold Championships	Gold Coast	Boca
June 13-16	AAU Age Group Nationals	AAU	Orlando

Reminders

- ✓ **Club/Meet Directors**, upon completion of AAU meet - \$1.50 athlete fee will be paid to Florida Gold Gymnastics, Inc. per athlete. This fee is due within 30 days of event date.
- ✓ **ATHLETE** need to participate in 2 Fl. Gold Qualifiers to compete at District Championships
- ✓ Athletes need to participate at Fl. Gold District Championships in order to compete at AAU Age Group Nationals.
- ✓ Age Group Nationals has an early deadline. You will need to register online.
--Nationals in Disney- June 13-16

Motion to adjourn meeting

Missy Martin
seconded- Jeannie Blish

Meeting closed at 8:08pm