



Minutes ~ Gymnastics For All Committee Meeting ~ December 13, 2013

Location: Conference Call	Time: 11:30 a.m. PST	
<p>Attendance (GBC Office): Cameron Stevenson – Britannia Gymnastics Lori Moretto – Britannia Gymnastics Mary Morice GFA Chair/Vancouver Phoenix Gymnastics (VPG) Sandra Lewis Gymnastics BC (GBC) Chantelle Judd Gymnastics BC (GBC) Aimee Kapil Gymnastics BC (GBC)</p> <p>Conference Call: Tami Mitchell – Whistler Gymnastics (WG) Tara Watt – Selkirk Gymnastics (SG) Rhonda Saunders – Selkirk Gymnastics (SG) Jen Smith – White Rock Gymnastics (WRG)</p>	<p>Regrets: Jaynie Ostrosser – Surrey Gymnastics (SG) Penny Erickson – Kamloops Gymnastics Trampoline Centre (KGTC)</p>	<p>Absent:</p>

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1. Welcome and call to order
 - 1.1. Meeting called to order at 11:35 a.m.
2. Agenda
 - 2.1 Additions to agenda: No additions to the agenda.

2.2 Approve agenda:

Motion: “To approve of the GFA Committee Meeting Agenda for Friday, December 13, 2013”

Tami Mitchell (WG)/Rhonda Saunders (SG)

Approved

3. Meeting minutes

Motion: “To approve of the GFA Committee meeting minutes from April 19, 2013.”

Tami Mitchell (WG)/Rhonda Saunders (SG)

Approved

4. Updates

- 4.1. Club Engagement – A. Kapil

Winter rec retreat will be Jan 11-12, 2014 at Loon Lake Lodge in Maple Ridge. Cost is \$72 and includes 1 night's shared accommodation and three meals. Deadline to register is Wednesday December 18. There was a discussion around overall purpose of rec retreats. They are evolving however it should be a combination of brainstorming ideas on how to

enhance rec programming throughout the province, as well as practical information/ideas/tools coaches can take back and implement in their clubs.

Tentative dates for a spring coaches workshop was put forth for either March 17 or March 24. T. Mitchell to work with A. Kapil to coordinate this workshop. 'Kids CanMove coaches guidelines' was an area of interest that could be included in the workshop.

Community events in the new year that PLAY gymnastics will be at include the Wellness Fair in February, Diversity Fair in March, Valley Fair mall in March, BCTF New Teachers Conference in Feb/March, and Pacific Rim Championships in April. A. Kapil to look into Elementary Teachers conference for next year.

4.2. Gymnaestrada

Plans are well underway for the 2014 BC Gymnaestrada. Initial club registration is due in at the GBC office Jan 21.

There was discussion surrounding a one or two day format for the event. Pros and cons for each were discussed. GBC to do a quick poll to get clubs preferred choice.

There was also discussion about the traditional banner ceremony and different ideas were discussed to change the format for this year. Recognizing the entire group instead of singling out one particular individual was thought to be important.

Workshop ideas include theatre arts, partner or acro yoga, sports aerobics, and tumbling.

4.3. Coach recruitment & retention

The plan is to put in place a coach mentorship and exchange program for the summer of 2014. A GFA coach is needed to help lead this initiative.

Coaching Coordinator Catherine Dubinsky is working on piloting a more streamlined Level 1 coaching course in the new year.

4.4. Special needs

New resources are up on the PLAY gymnastics website. November's PLAY article featured special needs.

The partnership with Special Olympics BC continuing to develop. This partnership will be communicated more clearly to clubs.

4.5. Kids CanMove

GBC has been in communication with around 50 schools for Kids CanMove programs (in-services, in class instruction, tradeshow and resource orders). Interested organizations include Pacific Sport Centres, Vancouver School Board, and teachers conferences.

4.6. PLAY

The new GBC website is now live. There is added information on GFA/PLAY gymnastics. Monthly newsletter continue to be sent out. There is also a new format for recreational gymnastics updates that goes out as 'Rec Program News.' The PLAY gymnastics banners that were given to clubs were very popular. There are still a few left if any clubs are interested.

4.7. Interclub

The Interclub guide is in its final stage of edits and will be available to clubs very soon.

4.8. ACRiX

The ACRiX program will be piloted in an 8 week program in a middle school in Coquitlam in the new year. A more detailed update will be available at the next meeting.

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5.1. Canadian Gymnastics Week

Formerly 'National Gymnastics Week,' Canadian Gymnastics Week will take place Feb 9-15, 2014. GCG has just launched its new website: thenationalgymnasticsweek.com. Provincial initiatives are currently being discussed.

6. Next meeting: The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Friday February 21, 2014 at 11:30 a.m.

7. Adjournment

Motion: 'To adjourn the Friday December 13, 2013 GFA Committee Meeting at 12:40 p.m.'

Tami Mitchell (WG)/Mary Morice (VPG)

Approved