

**MINUTES OF
FLORIDA GOLD AAU GYMNASTICS ANNUAL SPORTS CHAIR MEETING 5/20/10**

Pursuant to notice (via email), a meeting of the AAU Florida Gold Coast Gymnastics League was held on 5/20/10 at 12:00pm (EST) at the Lynn University in Boca Raton, FL.

Members Present:

Randall Sikora (RPS), Sports Chair (Twisters/USA Competitions)
Sharyn Strickland (Judging Representative/USA Competitions)
Marty Kallen (Ft Lauderdale Stars)
Ginny Lucena (Genie's Gymnastics)
Raul Rojas (Gold Coast Gymnastics)
Erin Hall (Twisters)
Erika Bodnar (Twisters)
Heather Zayac (Twisters)
Erica McClocky (Twisters)

Meeting Minutes:

- I. Roll Call
- II. Welcome and season review
 - a. Great quality of competitions in 2009 – 2010 season
 - b. Event cancellations update (1 Winter/Spring qualifier, 2 non qualifiers cancelled due to current economic challenges).
 - c. Feedback & discussion. *No comments from members present.*
- III. Event Hosting
 - a. Hosting agreements & reporting. *No conflicts. All ran smoothly in 2009 – 2010 season.*
 - b. AAU athlete fee collection (*excellent in 2009 – 2010 season*)
 - c. Awards congruency between events – Adherence at events. *All events in compliance.*
- IV. District Championships 2011-2012
 - a. AAU District Sports Chair Duty & Responsibility to conduct this event. Past unsuccessful hosting experiences by non Sports Chair persons was discussed. *Ultimate responsibility of event always rests on Sports Chair.*
 - b. AAU Sports Chair has already contracted with facility for 2011 and 2012 and will host District Championship event.
 - c. Information for 2011 & 2012 (*Event Fliers distributed, incl. dates and venue.*)
- V. Team competition structure at future Championships
 - a. Various formats were discussed, as well as whether there was a need to change the structure at all. *It was agreed that a survey would be emailed to all AAU Championship participating clubs to determine how the membership felt about the team competition format at Championships.*
 - b. This format discussion was for Championships only and had no bearing on Invitational events.
- VI. Adherence to requirement of club participation at 2 sanctioned AAU events on the calendar in order to compete at FL Gold Championships
 - a. Exceptions (injury, event cancellation, new club)
 - b. Encourage clubs to follow requirements
- VII. Calendar of events 2010 – 2011
 - a. Number of AAU events per weekend. *Randy Sikora: There are enough athletes to go around. There is no District control over # of events per weekend*
 - b. **Calendar of events 2010-2011** (*The following is a list of all events in South Florida to date. The final AAU calendar will exclusively be comprised of events that have signed the AAU Event Host Agreement. Those events will be published in the FL Gold AAU Handbook. Only events included in the handbook will be designated as Championship qualifiers.*
 - i. Sept 25-26, 2010 Penguin Invite (Park Ave)
 - ii. Oct 2-3, 2010 Celebrate America (Genies)

- iii. Oct 2-3, 2010 Flip City Fall Festival (Flip City)
- iv. Oct 16 - 17, 2010 Gold Rush Invite (Gold Coast)
- v. Oct 23-24, 2010 Fright Invite (Twisters)
- vi. Oct 30- Oct 31, 2010 Flip City Pumpkin Patch (Flip City)
- vii. Nov 6-7, 2010 Harvest Challenge (Stuart YMCA)
- viii. Nov 6-7, 2010 Rising Stars Fall Festival (Rising Stars)
- ix. Dec 31 - Jan 2, 2011 New Year's Invite @ Disney (Twisters)
- x. Jan 28 -30, 2011 Sun & Surf Spectacular (Twisters)
- xi. Feb 5- 6, 2011 Winter Mardi Gras (Stuart YMCA)
- xii. Feb 11-12, 2011 Cruise classic (Park Avenue)
- xiii. Feb 18 - 20, 2011 Presidential Classic @ Disney (Twisters)
- xiv. Mar 4 - 6, 2011 American Twisters/Tim Rand Invite (Twisters)
- xv. Mar 5 - 6, 2011 Arabian Nights (Genie's Gymnastics)
- xvi. Apr 2 – 3, 2011 Rock Superstar Invite (Ft Laud. Stars)
- xvii. April 16-17, 2011 Spring Spectacular (Rising Stars)
- xviii. Apr 28 – May 1, 2011 Gold Coast Spring Invite (Gold Coast)
- xix. May 21-22, 2011 FL Gold AAU Champs (Twisters – Lynn University)

VIII. AAU “STAR” Program

- a. Update on Twisters success with program: *It has been a success. However, Twisters has had to run independent STAR sessions, as there are enough athletes in regular meets, not allowing room for STAR sessions.*

IX. AAU National Championships (*July 1-4 at Disney*)

- a. Leotards (*Alpha Factor – well received, ordering has been made easy, leotard quality good*)

X. AAU Funds – Summer clinics

- a. FL Gold AAU District Chair takes no operating expense reimbursement or compensation from the FL Gold AAU account. All Meet Host checks for athlete fees are recorded and then sent directly to the Miami AAU office.

XI. Coaches Education –FL Gold AAU will once again subsidize coaches’ education this summer. Educating our coaches is the best use of our AAU funds. There are three state sponsored clinics that FL Gold participating clubs may choose from for this benefit. After reviewing finances, FL Gold AAU Gymnastics has decided to increase this year’s contribution up to a maximum of \$100.00 per club for entry to one of these clinics. The actual cost of each clinic is \$45 per person, to a maximum of \$175 per club. To take advantage of this benefit, send your entry form to Toni Rand, along with your check, minus the amount that FL Gold is contributing (max. \$100). Clearly mark “FL Gold AAU Club” on the form. FL Gold will pay the remaining balance directly to Toni Rand. Qualifying clinics are:

- a. June 6, 2010: Balcony Gymnastics
- b. July 11, 2010: LaFleur’s Tampa
- c. August 22, 2010: Twisters, Coconut Creek

XII. 2010-2011 Season

- a. Event host agreements & Meet info due 7/15/10. *Event Host agreements forms will be sent to all clubs via email the first week of June.*
- b. AAU Handbook & Competition Packets released 8/1/10
- c. FL Gold Website Address: http://www.usacompetitions.com/florida_gold_aau_league

XIII. District AAU Sports Director Confirmation. *Randy Sikora ran unopposed and begins serving another 4 year term as District Chair for Gymnastics with the support of FL Gold AAU District.*

XIV. National AAU Sports Chair Support. *Randy has been asked to be nominated for National AAU Gymnastics Sports Chair. He received positive encouragement and support to accept that nomination.*

XV. New business – *No new business was presented by any members.*

XVI. Meeting Adjourned 12:45pm