State Board Meeting Minutes

September 19th, 2026, 3:30 pm

Meeting called to order by Erin Berry at 3:30 pm

Attendees: Erin Berry, Morgan Carraway, Anne Foster, Lindsay LaRoche, Amanda James, Erin Pettid, Tish Simmons, Nic Tolley, Laurell Mauro & Summer Oostra VAWVSJDs

Absent: Gillian Coleman, Wendy Hylton, Cheryl Johnson

1. SACC Report

Erin thanked the board for completing the Conflict of Interest and Confidentiality forms and discussed the weekend schedule of events. July meeting minutes were approved via email and are posted on our website. We resolved outstanding expenses from the 2025-2026 season and reviewed the current number of registered gymnasts (5000+), professional members(429), judges (74), and clubs (69) as of 9/15/26.

2. Equipment

USA Gymnastics announced that the AAI EVP-Elite Power Vault Table will be used at Easterns and Development Program Nationals in 2027.

A. Recommendation to purchase two new vault tables and sell the old tables.

Motion: Nic Tolley

Second: Tish Simmons

Passed

3. VAUSAG Leadership & Service Scholarship

A. Recommendation to establish 2 scholarships, 1 for a Development Program athlete and 1 for an Xcel Athlete, specific to graduating seniors who plan to attend college. The scholarship is inspired by Steve Garman's leadership & service to VAUSAG.

Motioned: Lindsay LaRoche

Second: Erin Pettid

Passed

4. Judges Selection

Provided a report on Virginia judges selected for Level 10 Nationals, Level 9 Easterns, and Xcelebration. For Level 10, Sue Leonelli will represent Region 7 and Summer Oostra is the second alternate. For Level 9 Easterns, Anne Foster will represent Region 7 and Marina Moure is the second alternate. For Xcelebration, Margaryta Booth is the first alternate. The judge's selection process was discussed, and the following recommendation was made:

A. Recommendation to add a formal written application to the existing judge selection process, effective as follows: State Championships, beginning with the 2026-2027 season. Post-season nominations (Regionals/Nationals): beginning with the 2027-2028 season. All interested judges shall apply by the published deadline. The list of applicants and their applications with supporting information will be made available to the board before the vote, to ensure transparency in the selection process.

Motion: Morgan Carraway

Second: Tish Simmons

Passed

B. Recommendation to use four judge panels at Level 7/8 state this year as a pilot program

Motion: Morgan Carraway

Second: Tish Simmons

Passed

5. Budget

Reviewed current budget and year-to-date spending; upcoming expenses regarding equipment; facility, event, and operating items. Beginning balance in our account is $159, 693.68

A. Recommendation to pay Vanguard hauling fees and then invoice the clubs for their equipment expense.

Motion: Nic Tolley

Second: Erin Pettid

Passed

B. Recommendation to order deposit slips for state account.

Motion: Lindsay LaRoche

Second: Nic Tolley

Passed

C. Recommendation to review past state championship invoice and create budget guidelines for host clubs.

Motion: Morgan Carraway

Second: Erin Pettid

Passed

D. Recommendation to reserve the Sheraton Virginia Beach Oceanfront for the State Clinic and Meeting in 2027

Motion: Nic Tolley

Second: Tish Simmons

Passed

6. Tracking of Athletes for Mobility

USA Gymnastics is requiring states to track levels and mobility. ScoreCat can do this and provided each state a free account. Scores must be sent to show up in the program.

A. Recommendation to ask all Virginia meet hosts to send scores to ScoreCat for tracking purposes. They do not need a paid ScoreCat account to do this. Each board member will be responsible for tracking an equal number of clubs

Motion: Lindsay LaRoche

Second: Nic Tolley

Passed

7. State Championships: Host Clubs, Venues, Awards and Declaration Dates

Discussed the current process for identifying venues and state meet hosts. Due to budget constraints and the desire to continue hosting state championships at outside venues, the state selects venues whose rental fees fit within the state budget. Discussed age determination date, declaration dates, and awards.

A. Recommendation to create a bid form for clubs who would like to serve as state championship hosts at board-approved venues.

Motion: Erin Pettid

Second: Nic Tolley

Passed

B. Recommendation to award state meet qualifier medals and achievement ribbons to Levels 2-4 and to Bronze and Silver Xcel levels.

Motion: Lindsay LaRoche

Second: Amanda James

Passed

C. Recommendation to set the Virginia declaration date three weeks before the State Championships, aligning it with the meets' entry deadline. Age determination date will remain the Sunday of the meet.

Motion: Nic Tolley

Second: Erin Pettid

Passed

8. Action items & Adjourn

Action items:

Next board meeting via Zoom on November 3rd.

Motion to adjourn: Nic Tolley

Second: Amanda James

The meeting was adjourned at 6:10 pm