



## DRAFT MINUTES, ACRO MEETING

April 14, 2019

8:30 AM – 10:30 AM

AGF Office, Conference Call

Calgary

Call in Information: # 1-888-289-4573. Access Code #5491186

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### Attendance:

Jayson Johnson	Acro Chairperson
Erin Basisty	CCGC
Michelle Johnson	Edmonton Acro
Kevin Quon	Program Coordinator- AGF
Robert Knight	Pegasus Gymnastics and ATA Coaching Coordinator
Peter Van Thiel	Acrobatic Studio
Chelsea Fenn	Salto Gymnastics
Leanne Cameron	Fort Gymnastics
Kelsey Garez	ATA Judge Coordinator
Cassie Allen	CCGC
Anna Godek	CCGC

### Regrets:

Norm Lewis	Calgary Acro
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## 1. Call to Order

- 1.1 Official welcomes and introductions
- 1.2 Approval of Agenda

CCGC/Pegasus

**MOTION:** "To approve the agenda"  
**ACCEPTED**

- 1.3 Approval of last meeting minutes April 14, 2019.

CCGC/Pegasus

**MOTION:** "Minutes from last meeting accepted"  
**ACCEPTED**

## 2. Chairperson Reports

- 2.1 All items to be discussed in agenda

## 3. New Business

- 3.1 Elections:  
Discussion: To discuss who's terms are up and remind on voting's. Coach and judge coordinator's terms are up this year starting into a 2-year term following these elections.
- 3.2 Canadians  
- To discuss how it went, any recommendations/changes?

**Key Discussion Points:**

- Venue was way too hot.
- Meal plan wasn't ideal. The athletes were kicked out so the judges could eat so some athletes that paid for meals ended up not eating the meals provided as they couldn't eat during optimal times.
- Floor manager in the back was not managing the floor practice times very well.
- Measurements weren't set up to have absolute accurate numbers
- With judges being ahead they didn't let the athletes know and be prepared in time.
- Announced the units as their club not as Team AB or by province.
- Registration process was good. Some people posted some glitches with file names and music
- Bid package – different standards in the package than what ended up as the venue. Separate awards room, wasn't the case at Canadians.
- Possible bid from Alberta?
- Streaming service – had no audio, quite expensive. Ask Norm what the streaming service they use is.
- J/O side was treated like a different event, different opening ceremonies for FIG levels. Treated as less than. Ribbons weren't received until they got home.

**3.3 Team Alberta**

- Review the selection of the Team
- Selection events

**Key Discussion Points:**

- having 2 trials was a nice system, gives athletes more than one opportunity to qualify reducing the stress.
- Both were in Edmonton though making it more expensive for Calgary participants, have one selection event in Calgary.
- Have the selection events follow specific guidelines that follow rules that the ATA would like to use. ie. Full panel of judges, etc.
- JO 7 didn't qualify with Team AB but qualified with National recommended scores, eliminate Team AB scores?

**3.4 2019-2020 Acro Handbook**

- To discuss the Acro Handbook, judge chair position length change.
- To select a working group to edit for the new year.
- Definition of developmental/provincial/national

**Key Discussion Points:**

- Volunteers for changes to the handbook – Robert Knight, Chelsea Fenn, Peter Van Thiel

Edmonton Acro/Fort Sask

**MOTION:** “R. Knight, C. Fenn, P. Van Thiel to work on the edits to the handbook for the 2019-2020 season.”

**ACCEPTED**

**ACTION: September 15 Working group send out first edits of the handbook**

**ACTION: Any clubs that would like to see specific changes to the handbook must email K. Quon by the August 31<sup>st</sup>. K. Quon to send a reminder email out.**

- Provincial camps are not worth it for the lower level athletes. Coaches are also not learning much from others at those lower levels.
- Paying \$105 to do a cartwheel on the floor.
- JO 7-10 and youth.
- Acro Studio thinks JO5 should be developmental, Edmonton acro, CCGC, Pegasus and Salto agree.

**ACTION: K. Quon to let J. Padley know.**

### 3.5 Provincials

- To discuss timing for next year

#### **Key Discussion Points:**

Unclear if we can separate from Artistic.

- Good reasons to separate but because it is the same weekend as an international event, that shouldn't be a reason to move Provincials.
- Not against it being in a gym club provided that seating can be sorted out.

**Working group to establish provincials proposal for 2020 – L. Cameron, P. Van Thiel.**

**ACTION: P. Van Thiel to work with AGF to try and work out a provincials alternative.**

### 3.6 Athlete of the year group

- Help with finalizing the athlete of the year

#### **Key Discussion Points:**

- E. Basisty to help K. Quon finalizing them.

### 3.7 Training Camp

- To discuss Training camp dates and presenters

#### **Key Discussion Points:**

- No level 5's
- Up the price per athlete so the presenter can present in both North and South.

**ACTION: Clubs to discuss who can host a training camp.**

**ACTION: Clinicians: Clubs to send to K. Quon to reach out to them.**

Provincial Training Camp: November, not during November break, Host potentially Pine Valley.

### 3.8 Judge Update

- To discuss judge courses or updates

#### **Key Discussion Points**

- Judges meeting to happen this week with Gym Can.
- New email for the judging chair [acrojudgingchair@gmail.com](mailto:acrojudgingchair@gmail.com)
- Record keeping form for judges they can keep track of it going forward for next year.
- 4 nationally certified judges in Alberta now.
- Tariff difficulty course for coaches. Webinar format. Saskatchewan was interested in some help.
- Course before February- Look into December.
- FIG newsletters on AGF site.
- USA JO Newsletters also.

### 3.9 Calendar of Events

- To discuss the events calendar for 2019-2020

#### **Key Discussion Points:**

- World Trials event, hoping to have it back out West, perhaps during another competition.
- Vegas Acro cup April 16-19, 2020
- Calgary Fun meet TBD?
- CIAC / Acropalooza July 2-5, 2020
- 100% Acro March 27, 28, 2020
- CCGC Gympower – Jan 8-12, 2020
- SGC Feb 27-March 1, 2020
- Pegasus (TBD) Likely early February

- Clubs to send any competitions out to K. Quon

3.10 AGF Budget

Discussion: budget changes for next season, Acro specific at AGM.

**Key Discussion Points:**

- Increased funding for Canadians (\$13k instead of \$10k for next season).
- Gala and Enhancement funding are still in discussion of being removed.

3.11 Additions

Acro Companion:

**ACTION: Clubs to send K. Quon their email address for acro companion.**

**4. Adjournment**

ACTION: To set the next meeting: date and place.

**ACTION: K. Quon to send out a Doodle poll for October 1-4**

CCGC/Salto

**MOTION: “To adjourn the meeting”  
ACCEPTED**