Minutes from Georgia NAWGJ Board Meeting May 20, 2003 at Jean DeArmon's home

Present: Gwyned Bius, Gretchen Connell, Jean DeArmon, Sharon Doyle, Marian Dykes, Jeanie Lipsius, Sheila Ragle (non-voting), Lisa Wheaton and Ceal Wutka. Absent: Kathlyn Skeslock

The meeting was called to order at 7:20 pm.

Committee Reports:

Secretary: We discussed a time frame for the next newsletter, and decided to try to put another one (to fulfill the requirement of four per year) out before the State Clinic in mid-June, after Marian receives the minutes pertaining to the JO program. Sheila asked for a newsletter to take to her RJD meeting.

Technical: Ceal said the website is being updated. She has been having some difficulty in keeping up with and/or understanding the AAU clarifications, and is considering giving Gretchen the means to do this part of the website herself.

Membership: At this point virtually no one has turned in active status (no clinic hours yet). Marian gave us a preview into some of the upcoming JO changes.

Hospitality: We talked about providing a hospitality table for the State Clinic in June. Jeanie won't be there but someone should be able to do it. This will consist of something like donuts and coffee for all those attending the clinic.

Judges Training: Kathlyn was not at this meeting but she and Jean are having a meeting this week to finalize the state clinic. Jean says she is anticipating an attendance of 60-70 people.

Member-At-Large: We discussed the library and will try to lend materials for free. Gretchen is going to compile a list of items we have to loan, and place this list on the website, as well as in our newsletter.

Booking: Gwyned went over a letter she wrote about booking and asked for suggestions about the content. Booking will be both Saturday and Sunday again this year, as it worked well last year. The Ga-NAWGJ website will have the calendar for both USAG and AAU meets, since we are not permitted to have AAU meets on the GA USAG website. We also discussed at this time Marian's letter to Meet Directors.

Motion: A motion was made to change Carpooling Rule D (p. 19)in the Judges' Handbook to eliminate the term "regular jobs." It currently reads 'You should not require judges to take off early from their regular jobs to join a carpool as long as

arrival time at the destination is not later than 9:30 PM." Change this to read "In order to ensure a good night's sleep for the judges, carpools should be arranged such that arrival time at the destination is not later than 9:30 PM."

Motion: Jeannie Lipsius 2nd: Marian Dykes

The motion passed unanimously.

We also discussed a few things that Meet Referee's should remember to do PRIOR to a meet: These include: Making assignments AND sending them to Ceal. Checking to see if meals will be provided by the meet director, and ensuring that they are nutritious (thus giving judges the option of eating elsewhere - especially breakfast.) Other duties include assigning carpools and attending coaches meetings, when you are a walk-around. Sharon will put these in the newsletter as a reminder.

Fundraiser: Lisa told us that Judges 500 will once again be at Roswell, and Jennifer McIntosh will be our contact. She talked about a new design for the notebooks, and a new color, possibly orange. Once again we need door prizes for coaches and gymnasts for the meet, as well as some nice items to raffle off.

RJD: Sheila said she will be attending a board meeting at the end of June, so if anyone has anything they want brought up to the National Board to please let her know. The fee schedule will probably not change. Most of their agenda is financial and insurance issues.

Marian brought up the fact that the board could be sued over an assignment and perhaps we needed some insurance.

Motion: A motion was made that Ga-NAWGJ research officer's insurance for the elected board and the assigner by July 1st, 2003.

Motion: Marian Dykes 2nd: Ceal Wutka

The motion was unanimously accepted.

At 8:38 pm the meeting adjourned.