**2017 Convention East Zone Meeting Agenda**

September 13th – 17th 2017

Dallas, Texas

* Welcome – Betsy McGeoch
* Approval of March minutes (EZ March Meeting 2016)
  + Technical Report – Svetlana Malinovskaya
  + Chair Report – Betsy McGeoch
  + Vice Chair/Awards – Jen Hatt
  + Education Report – Katie Rice
  + Lake Placid Report – Mary Ellen Wiegand
  + Treasurer Report – Kris-Ann Gutenmakher
  + Scoring Committee Report – Pete McGeoch
  + All Star Committee Report – Krista Karwosky
  + Officials Report – Patty Flanagan
  + Athlete Report – Emma Tchakmakjian and Audrey Miller

**Action Items from 2017 March Meeting:**

* Can athlete zone meeting be right after Parade of Athletes?
* **Laura’s Membership Fee Committee:** East Zone charges a $5 zone membership fee to all professional members
* Notification requirements (not planning to attend US Nationals)

**IDEA**: Keep regional qualification as it is now, but add the stipulation that if any number of those top 3 who are not grade level qualified to attend JO, however many needed to have 3 routines with the appropriate grade level qualification can be brought to the regional competition as an honorary routine to qualify for JO’s. This is a regional issue to discuss with your regions. At Convention, we will discuss how each region dealt with this issue

* Split Bonus Requirements: Do we need to change requirements to silver and gold?
  + JO athletes who pass the highest level no longer have to test their split so having a split test makes them stretch their split. Athletes need to weigh in
* 13 and Over Intermediate category is getting too big, what if we make another Intermediate category?