EAST ZONE 2016

ANNUAL REPORT TO THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS AND DIRECTORS

To the USA Synchro Board of Governors and Board of Directors:

This is my last board report and the incoming East Chair Betsy McGeoch has graciously agreed to start her term early since I am unable to attend convention due to a work commitment.

Thank you to USA Synchro President Judy McGowan, High Performance Director Myriam Glez, Zone chairs Ginny Jasontek(North), Carole Mitchell(South), Patricia Jones and Candy Kaemerer(West), for making the time for monthly conference calls to discuss upcoming items and concerns from the Zones and USA Synchro.

I would like to thank my board for their time and commitment to the East Zone this past years, especially to Jen Hatt, the East Zone secretary for keeping everyone informed and making me look good; Betsy McGeoch- Vice chair; Kim Kohut- Officials; Pete McGeoch- Scoring; Sheila Wright – Education; Leah Lojo- Treasurer; and Svetlana Malinovskaya – Tech Chair. Our current Athlete reps are Alexis Sandekian and Caitlyn Klauer.

We held our yearly elections in March and have made the following changes;

Zone Chair: Betsy McGeoch

Vice Chair:

Officials Chair:

Educational Chair:

Jen Hatt

Patti Flanagan

Katie Rice

Technical Chair: Svetlana Malinovskaya **Treasurer:** Kris-Ann Gutenmakher

Secretary: Jen Wilchzynski

National Nominating: Karen McGann & Melissa Bruhn

National Site: Mary Ellen Weigand

Athlete Reps: Caitlin Klauer, Emmanuella Tchakmakjian

The East Zone was very proud to represent the United States this year with several of our swimmers on National Teams. First, and foremost, we are most proud of Anita Alvarez (TTA) and teammate Mariya Koroleva for representing the United States at the 2016 Summer Olympics. These girls put in a lot of hard work and sacrifices and it showed from their results. What an awesome job! Congratulations!

Our All-star team listings are attached.

We held our Zone Meet in March in Buffalo, NY and awarded the following Zone Awards:

EAST ZONE CHAMPIONSHIP TROPHY - New Canaan Aquianas

EAST ZONE SCHOLAR ATHLETES - 150 Swimmers

EAST ZONE COACH OF THE YEAR – Katie Rice

EAST ZONE CONTRIBUTOR – Patty Flannigan

EAST ZONE ATHLETE - Alex Gee

KIM MILLER SCHOLARSHIP WINNER – Elizabeth Pugliese

The East Zone was home for the Junior Olympics in Long Island. I want to thank Betsy and Pete McGeoch and Sheila Wright for organizing the event and all the volunteers that helped make it a success. Thank you.

The East Zone will be hosting USA Synchro's All Star Clinic October 14-16 in Tonawanda, NY.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana Lenzo – East Zone Chair, Adirondack.

2016 12 under All Star Team

Megumi Field, Freedom Valley YMCA Synchro Grace Melber, Town of Tonawanda Aquettes Taylor Sullivan, Swimkins Synchronized Swimming Julia Paradis, Optima Synchro Natalie Lesinski, Town of Tonawanda Aquettes Liz Zhang, Freedom Valley YMCA Synchro Oliva Canna, Town of Tonawanda Aquettes Rhyan Luther, New Canaan Y Aquianas

2016 13-15 All Star Team

Ruby Remati, ANA Synchro
Sophia Turecki, Buffalo Swimkins Synchronized Swimming
Emily Brient, New Canaan Y Aquianas
Rebecca Emily Page, Optima Synchro
Isabelle Lange, Buffalo Swimkins Synchronized Swimming
Audrey Miller, New Canaan Y Aquianas
Aleah Davidsen, Optima Synchro
Ashley Latchford, Buffalo Swimkins

2016 Junior All Star Team

Caitlin Klauer, Optima Synchro Lindi Schroeder, Optima Synchro Emmanuella Tchakmakjian, New Canaan Y Aquianas Alexandra McGee, Town of Tonawanda Aquettes Alexandra Poteet, New Canaan Y Aquianas Grace Alwan, ANA Synchro Cassandra Neeley, Swimkins Synchronized Swimming Sophia Ju, ANA Synchro Katherine Connolly, New Canaan Y Aguianas Katie Farrell, New Canaan Y Aquianas Reverie Nedde - ANA Synchro Katherine Chidley, New Canaan Y Aquianas Maxie Zimmerman, ANY Synchro Isabel Barrera Encisco, New Canaan Y Aquianas Melissa Zhang, Optima Synchro Nicole Carzo, Optima Synchro