



Athlete Representation Review Working Group

Review Report

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<i>Session Information</i>	
Date of NGB Submission	
Date of Report	24 February 2021

Reviewed Committees	
Committee	Hall of Fame
NGB Recommendation	Other Committee
NGB AAC Recommendation	Other Committee
Working Group Finding	Other Committee
<i>Finding Notes</i>	
<p>The NGB asked the Working Group to review the status of one committee, their Hall of Fame Committee. This review included a request that the athlete representation requirements be waived while also committing to have at least 50% of the members of the committee having competed in USA Gymnastics competitions in the past. The review also included a requested affirmation of the status of the committee (Designated or Other).</p> <p><i>Committee Status</i></p> <p>The committee reviewed the purview of the Committee and agreed that it was not a Designated Committee. The Committee does not allocate funding, amend Bylaws, or contribute to team selection.</p> <p><i>Athlete Composition</i></p> <p>The NGB requested that the athlete representation requirements be waived contingent on the commitment that 50% of the committee be comprised of athletes who had competed in USA Gymnastics competitions. This request was denied by the panel.</p> <p>In the course of discussion, and upon a better understanding of the needs of the NGB, the panel considered the means by which to widen the pool of athletes who could serve on this committee while ensuring that elite athletes were represented in a manner in keeping with the USOPC Bylaws.</p> <p>Upon that discussion the Panel agreed that the NGB could expand the pool of eligible athletes for this committee with the following restrictions:</p>	

- Not less than 50% of the committee shall be comprised of athletes designated as Elite by USA Gymnastics
- Elite athletes are based on the existing definition in USA Gymnastics, including:
 - Women's Program - Any international level gymnast who starts the first Optional event at a Classic competition is considered an Elite gymnast and may not drop back to the Development Program in the same Elite competitive year.
 - Men's Program – On an annual basis, any athlete who qualifies to compete in the junior or senior division at the Winter Cup and/or U.S. Gymnastics Championships.
 - Trampoline & Tumbling Program – Any athlete competing in the Elite Program (Youth Elite, Junior Elite, Senior Elite, and starting the 2021-2022 season, Intermediate Elite) in either Individual Trampoline, Tumbling or Double Mini Trampoline.
 - Rhythmic Program - Any athlete (Junior, Senior, and Hopes) who has qualified to the elite competition at USA Gymnastics Championships in any year.
 - Acro Program- Any athlete competing in the Elite Program (11-16 Age Group, Junior Elite 12-18, Junior Elite 13-19 and Senior Elite) in either women's or men's pair, mixed pair, or women's or men's group.

Definitions are available on USA Gymnastics' website.