**2018 USA Powerlifting Collegiate National Committee Meeting**

**College Station, TX**

**Wednesday, April 18th, 2018**

**I. Opening Remarks - Zac Cooper**

**II. Update of 2019 Collegiate Nationals – Columbus, Ohio: John Downing**

**III. Roll Call of Collegiate Committee Members**

- Cameron Barrilleaux: Santa Clara University

- Scott Dobbins: Texas A&M University

- John Downing: Ohio State University

- Michael Hafenbrack: Sam Houston State University

- Kyle Ramsey: University of Louisiana at Lafayette

- Sandra Sebastian: University of Texas at Austin

- Wes Zunker: University of Texas at San Antonio

**IV. Roll Call of Eligible Voting Institution Teams Present – Each University: 1 Vote**

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| Angelo State University | United States Military Academy |
| Cornell University | **United States Naval Academy** |
| **Florida International University** | Texas State University |
| **Louisiana State University** | University of Hawai'i at Manoa |
| **Louisiana Tech University** | University of Houston |
| **McKendree University** | **University of Louisiana at Lafayette** |
| **Miami University of Ohio** | University of Maryland |
| **Midland University** | University of North Texas |
| **Northeastern University** | University of Pittsburgh |
| **Ohio State University** | **University of Texas at Austin** |
| Oklahoma State University | **University of Texas at San Antonio** |
| **Penn State University** | Virginia Military Institute |
| Rutgers University |  |
| **Sam Houston State University** |  |
| **Texas A & M University** |  |
| Texas A&M University - Kingsville |  |

**\*22 Total Votes**

**V. Scholarship Applications**

* **Lukas Indre: Ohio State University: 20**
* **Andie Hernandez: University of Texas: 20**
* Victor Yau: University of Houston: 0
* Joshua Cortez: University of North Texas: 0
* David Lee: Rutgers University: 0
* Noel Tuvera: Rutgers University: 0

**Lukas Indre & Andie Hernandez receive the 2018 Collegiate Scholarship**

**VI. 2020 National Championship Bids**

- **Steve Mann: State College, PA**:15

- Robert Keller: Miami, FL: 5

**VIII. Proposals**

**Proposal:** Adjust Nationals Lifting Schedule to allow athletes to enter and compete in Raw and Equipped if they so choose.

**Author:** Tim Anderson

**Rationale:** Currently athletes cannot compete in both divisions due to the current schedule. An adjustment in the lifting schedule would allow athletes to compete in both if they choose. This was done at past Collegiate Nationals, High School Nationals, and Bench Nationals with success. If we want equipped and raw lifting to flourish we need to allow athletes to do both.

For: 7

**Against: 15**

Abstain: 0

**Motion Fails**

**Proposal:** Establish a Collegiate Regionals Calendar

**Author:** Tim Anderson

**Rationale:** If we want to promote Collegiate Powerlifting to School Administrators, our sport needs to compete directly with other universities during the regular season. Not just at Nationals. The Regional meets would be set up similar to current regionals. The regionals could be hosted 2-3 months prior to Nationals.

For: 10

Against: 10

Abstain: 2

Zac Cooper (Tiebreaker) votes for the proposal

**Motion Passes**

**Proposal:** Establish a Pre-season Collegiate Team Poll or Ranking.

**Author:** Tim Anderson

**Rationale:** In an effort to promote Collegiate Powerlifting. The Poll would promote the sport and build excitement leading into Nationals. This would help Club teams show their schools how they compare to other universities during the season. The Poll could be an established criteria ranking or Coaches poll similar to other Collegiate Sports.

**For: 13**

Against: 7

Abstain: 2

**Motion Passes**

**Proposal:** Remove the requirement to designate a 9 men/8 women scoring roster for teams at collegiate nationals.

**Author:** Scott Dobbins

**Rationale:** The current collegiate guidelines state: “Team scoring at the Collegiate National Championships will follow IPF rules (2001).” This requires teams to submit a 9 men/8 women scoring roster prior to the meet. Then the best 5 of those lifters are scored to calculate the team points (cannot score more than 2 people in a single weight class). This sounds great in theory, but Collegiate Nationals is much different than IPF World Championships. No country has brought more than they could score (9 men, 8 women) to a World Championship since the IPF started keeping digital records. I propose that all lifters from a school may be eligible to score for their team, based on their performance. This still means the “best 5” from one school still competes against the “best 5” from another. It eliminates an unnecessary complication to our current scoring method.

For: 8

**Against: 14**

Abstain: 0

**Motion Fails**

**Proposal:** Clarify the eligibility requirements for a collegiate lifter

**Author:** Scott Dobbins

**Rationale:** The term “good standing” varies from institution to institution. This needs to be made clearer for future national championships. The current guidelines state:  
“The collegiate athlete must be a full time student, in good standing with his or her two or four year academic college or university. The proof of being a full time student (12 semester hours undergraduate, 9 semester hours graduate) will be provided by the lifter either along with the entry form (sent to the meet director) or presented at check in/registration. The school’s official registrar will verify proof, with the school’s stamp affixed.”

**Proposed Edits:** The collegiate athlete must be a full time student, in good academic standing with his or her two or four year academic college or university. The proof of being a full time student (12 semester hours undergraduate, 9 semester hours graduate) will be provided by the lifter either along with the entry  
form (sent to the meet director) or presented at check in/registration. The school’s official registrar will verify proof, with the school’s stamp and or seal affixed. The proof of being in good academic standing (>2.0 Cumulative GPA for Undergraduate, >3.0 Cumulative GPA for Graduate) will be provided by the lifter in the form of an official transcript.

**Amendment Proposed to the Author:** The Collegiate Committee will reconstruct eligibility requirements by July 1 to add on the Collegiate National Championships website and entry form.

Amendment Accepted by Author

**For: 16**

Against: 4

Abstain: 0

**Motion with Amendment Passes**

**Proposal:** Specifically address the credit requirement for graduating seniors

**Author:** Scott Dobbins

**Rationale:** In the past, the eligibility of lifters has been determined by what “their school considers full time”. It seems reasonable to specifically address in the collegiate guidelines the case of the graduating senior who is taking only the classes they need to graduate, and don’t need to take more than 12 hours (or 9 for graduate students). I propose that if a student is taking the necessary credits to graduate the semester of Collegiate Nationals, and can certify such, then they are considered “full time” and allowed to compete.

**For: 20**

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

**Motion Passes**

**Proposal:** Raise Raw Men’s Qualifying Totals to 310 Wilks in all weight classes

**Author:** Cameron Barrilleaux

**Rationale:** The Raw Men’s QTs are too low.

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| **Men** | **53/116** | **59/130** | **66/145** | **74/163** | **83/182** | **93/205** | **105/231** | **120/264** | **120+/SHW** |
| **(kgs/lbs)** | **297.5/656** | **330/728** | **365/805** | **397.5/876** | **427.5/942** | **455/1003** | **480/1058** | **497.5/1097** | **507.5/1119** |

**INCREASED:**

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| **(kgs/lbs)** | **320/705** | **357.5/788** | **392.5/865** | **430/948** | **462.5/1019** | **492.5/1085** | **517.5/1140** | **537.5/1184** | **550/1212** |

**For: 19**

Against: 0

Abstain: 0

**Motion Passes**

**IX. Items From the Floor**

**Proposal:** Remove the Women’s 43kg and Mens 53kg weight classes from Collegiate Nationals.

**Author:** Mike Zawlinski

For: 0

**Against: 18**

Abstain: 0

**Motion Fails**

**Proposal:** Any lifter who signs a letter of intent with a college or university is required to lift for this university in their first year of college. If a lifter transfers universities in their first year and competes at the national championship with a different team, this lifter will not be eligible to score team points.

**Author:** Mike Zawlinski

**For: 17**

Against: 3

Abstain: 0

**Motion Passes**

**X. Motion to Close**