



**Athlete Selection Committee Minutes
October 21-22, 2022**

Roll Call

High Performance Team Representative	Dan Baker
IEC Appointed Representative	Alicia Quinn
Athlete Representative	Jessie DeZiel
Independent Observer	Erica Lai
HPTL	Chellsie Memmel (non-voting)
VP Women's Program	Annie Heffernon (non-voting)
IEC Chair	Kelli Hill (non-voting)

The committee met to determine the athletes who will represent Team USA at the 2022 World Championships in Liverpool, England. The IEC Chair, Kelli Hill, was invited to sit in the meeting to observe, no voice and no vote.

World Championships Selection Criteria (per the World Championships Selection Procedures)

1. Results from the 2022 American Classic, 2022 Pan American Championships, 2022 U.S. Classic, 2022 U.S. Gymnastics Championships, 2021-2022 international competitions, and the 2022 World Team Selection Camp.
2. D - scores (Difficulty) - achieved at any official international assignment or national event during the 2021-2022 competitive season and/or qualification events listed in 1.2.1 and 1.2.2.
3. E - scores (Execution) - achieved at any official international assignment or national event during the 2021-2022 competitive season and/or qualification events listed in 1.2.1 and 1.2.2.
4. Consistency - percentage of made routines at any official international assignment or national event during the 2021-2022 competitive season and/or qualification events listed in 1.2.1 and 1.2.2.
5. A hit routine is defined as a routine that does not include a large deduction or greater (as defined in the FIG Code of Points) on any single skill within the routine.
6. Composite Strength of all the World Team members with consideration of potential for Team, All Around and Individual Event medals.
7. World Class presentation - the strength, endurance, technical execution standard and artistic components commensurate with World and Olympic presentation.
8. Readiness to compete - current health status and physical preparedness of each gymnast.



9. Physical capability to fulfill the training plan as outlined in the Women's Program Manual.

The following results (data) were produced for the Selection Committee prior to the start of day 1 of the meeting:

- Final results from day one (1) of the World Selection Event.
- Final results from 2022 U.S. Championships (both days)
- Final results from 2022 U.S. Classic
- Final results from 2022 Pan American Championships
- Final results from 2022 American Classic
- Final results from 2021-2022 International Competitions

Summary of the Meeting held on October 21, 2022

The Athlete Selection Committee met after day one (1) of the competition, October 21, 2022, to discuss the World Selection competition. Scores from the competition, along with scores from the 2022 American Classic, 2022 Pan American Championships, 2022 U.S. Classic, 2022 U.S. Championships, and 2021-2022 international competitions were available for reference.

The Committee discussed the results from day one (1) of the World Selection Event competition and eliminated any athletes who declined the invitation to compete at the World Selection Event. Per the selection procedures, Shilese Jones automatically qualified to the 2022 World Championships Team by finishing first in the All-Around after day one (1) of the competition.

Based on the results from day one (1), the committee determined which events they would invite the athletes to verify on day two (2) of the competition. The athletes and coaches were notified by email and text. Athletes made requests to the ASC to show events that were not requested, all were accepted. The requests, in no particular order, were as follows:

- Shilese Jones - UB BB
- Jordan Chiles - UB BB
- Leanne Wong – BB, FX - Leanne requested to show Uneven Bars instead of Floor. The ASC accepted the request.
- Skye Blakely - UB BB
- Jade Carey - UB BB
- Lexi Zeiss - UB BB
- Addison Fatta - FX BB
- Marissa Neal - UB BB
- Nola Matthews - UB BB



- Amelia Disidore - BB FX

The committee discussed the replacement athlete possibilities. When applying the selection criteria to the athletes from day one (1) of the World Selection Event competition, the athletes finishing fifth, sixth, and seventh in the All-Around have similar pros and cons.

1. The D and E-scores of each athlete are comparable. The sixth and seventh place athletes outranked each other on two events when comparing D-score and the seventh place athlete outranked the sixth place athlete on three events when comparing E-score.
2. The athletes exhibit approximately the same hit percentage routine in competition and training.
3. The athletes exhibit exemplary skills in leadership and are excellent contributors to the overall team dynamic.
4. Medal potential - The athletes may contribute to the team, with the fifth and seventh place athletes showing an edge by competing two vaults at the World Selection Event. In addition, the seventh place athlete recently won a gold medal on vault at the Hungary World Challenge Cup.
5. The athletes exhibit similar world class presentation, and all are capable of executing the training plan and show readiness to compete on the world stage.

The ASC asked for a summary of artistry deductions for all World Selection Event participants for evaluation after Day 2 of the World Selection Event.

The meeting was adjourned.

Summary of the Meeting held on October 22, 2022

After the completion of competition on day two (2), the ASC met to discuss the final selection. Day two (2) results were provided. Each member of the ASC presented their athlete selections for consideration.

After reviewing results from American Classic, Pan American Championships, U.S. Classic, U.S. Championships, and the World Selection Event results from both days of competition, the committee unanimously selected the following.

2022 World Championships Team

Skye Bakely
Jade Carey
Jordan Chiles
Shilese Jones
Leanne Wong



Lexi Zeiss – traveling replacement athlete

The top five (5) athletes in the All-Around from day one (1) exhibit world class medal potential and complement each other’s strengths and weaknesses. There was discussion surrounding the replacement athlete, similar to the discussion during day one (1) of the ASC meeting. Additional considerations leading to the selection of the replacement athlete included consistency, and slightly higher D/E scores at the World Selection Camp. Lexi Ziess was selected as the replacement athlete, in part due to her second place All-Around finish at the recent 2022 Pan American Championships.

All athletes selected to the team meet Team USA’s standard of excellence required for a World Championships competition.

Once the selection for each competition was complete, the High-Performance Leadership Team along with the ASC met with all athletes and coaches and disclosed the team members.

I confirm that, to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, this report accurately reflects the October 21 and 22, 2022 meetings of the Women’s Athlete Selection Committee for the selection of the 2022 World Championships Team.

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10/22/2022

Annie Heffernon
USA Gymnastics
VP Women’s Program

Date

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1/12/2022

Erica Lai
Independent Observer

Date