

# IHSGCA Association Meeting

April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2010



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## Agenda Items:

Steve Foerch called meeting to order at 7:04 pm. Seconded by Ryan Dengel

Current Balance: \$29,468.44

### Membership:

\$25.00 Head Coach, \$20.00 Assistant, \$15.00 Associate Member.

Please pay dues to Mike Galfi. Make checks payable to IHSGCA. **Dues must be paid to vote.**

### Philanthropy:

Two \$500 scholarships are available this year. Application is on the website.

Steering Committee will select the recipients based on the application(s). **Due May 3**

State Meet: To repeat the plea from last year: While at the State Meet, we must encourage our coaches to comply with IHSA officials and ensure that we have a smoothly run meet with no problems. We want to continue making a good impression in both our dress and deportment.

A concern was raised by the several members of the association that ALL coaches should be wearing proper attire at all meets, especially the State Series.

### Blaise Blasko(s) Proposal for Illinois High School Gymnastics Coaches Association

1. Shoes, preferred casual or dress, no flip flops, sandals, clogs or open toe shoes.
2. Slacks or Warm up pants, preferred casual or dress pants, no shorts, jeans, denim or cargo pants (large flap pockets on front or side of thigh).
3. Shirt, preferred dress or casual collared shirt, no "T" shirts.
4. No hats.

### Coach of the Year:

At the conclusion of each conference meet, conference rep's please report the conference coaches of the year immediately to Mike Galfi (mgalfi@dupage88.net)

-voting to take place at May meeting

### John Brinkworth Scholarship:

NOMINATIONS DUE APRIL 29- FAX Nomination Form to Betty Axelson-McClelland at 847-382-5640; Letters of Recommendation E-MAILED to Eggsgymbetty@aol.com

Please visit website for more information and nomination form

### HOF Banquet/Golf Outing:

May 18, 2010—Gary Morava Center (6:30 p.m.), Old Orchard Golf Course (3:30 p.m. tee times) Skip Adamson to be inducted. Please sign up on the website using the on-line form.

All-Star Meet:

Applications were due. The All Star Team committee met and created their team.

**Site:**

Saginaw High school, Saginaw Texas

**Dates:**

May 28-30

**Schedule:**

Friday: Depart Chicago to Dallas/Fort Worth **T.B.A. (early p.m.)**

4-6:30 Open Workout

Saturday: General Warm up: 10a.m.

Warm up 1<sup>st</sup> event 10:45

Competition 11:00

Awards 2:30

Saturday Night Activity **T.B.A.**

Sunday: Depart Dallas/Fort Worth to Chicago **T.B.A. (a.m.)**

**Meet Format:**

Boys: Level 9 Rules U.S.A. Gymnastics with modifications (8 per event)

Girls: Level 8 Rules U.S.A. Gymnastics with modifications

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Blaise Blasko asked the association look the proposal that he is constructing and asked that any members that are interested please send him ideas to make it the best proposal possible.

Here is his proposal: **“IS IT TIME”**

**JOHN BRINKWORTH SENIOR ALL STAR MEET**

Withdraw from the Texas vs Illinois meet concept and offer to Illinois graduating seniors an All Star Meet. Promote Illinois high school gymnastics rather than a non existent national high school gymnastics program.

Provide a senior meet with a banquet and appropriate awards at a local high school.

Meet: Top 10 senior scores on each event from state finals through sectionals

Possibly limit the number of events one person can work.

Seed all six events by state series score.

Format two teams for competition, five entries per event.

Provide T shirts for teams.

Awards: Individual event champion award. Event team total award.

No All Around

Banquet: Formal vs informal.

Possible guest speaker for 10-15 minutes.

Senior Awards:

Sportsmanship Award  
Most Valuable  
Mr. Muscle  
Spectacular Skill  
Awesome Routine  
IHSA individual event State Champion recognition.  
No fee for competitors or other seniors gymnasts not competing.  
Students \$5.00  
Parents \$7.00 each

Some concerns were voiced by the association that the expense of the meet is rather high. Other concerns were made clear that several members of the association did not feel that the IHSGCA should pay for the girl's team to go. These members felt that the associations money could be better spent elsewhere. Greg Gebhardt addressed the associations concerns and voiced that the possibility of not continuing the meet was a possibility.

#### Senior Gymnast:

Nominations were due at the meeting.

Job Postings: Steve Geuss is seeking a boy's and girl's gymnastics position. Can coach diving. Certified in Math

Jason Brandenburg is seeking a boy's gymnastics coaching position. Certified in PE

Rules Proposals: Submit in writing to Sec/Treas. At May meeting (discuss in November, vote in December)

IHSA Board of Directors Meeting: Blaise Blasko shared the events that took place in regards to the IHSA 5%-10% participation. The IHSA has assured the association that the rule change has to do with emerging sports, not existing sports.

Steve Foerch IHSGCA President wants to personally thank all people who have written to the IHSA to advocate for the cause. We wanted to reiterate that all messages should BE POSITIVE. Keith Mukai helped to setup a FACEBOOK group. Over 3,000 people have joined the Facebook page in support of Boy's Gymnastics. IHSGCA Vice-President has full control over the webpage.

Vic Avigliano proposed that the Steering committee watch all IHSA meetings to make sure that no decisions are made without the knowledge of the Coaches association.

Nominations: (see worksheet on back of this agenda) Voting to take place at the May Meeting

New Business: Brad Foerch made a clarification for what the role of the HOF Committee is. This is not an endorsement, members should vote how they see fit. Do not look at the committee's recommendations as endorsements.

Secretary/Treasurer

Nominator	Nominee	Seconded
Ryan Dengel	<b>Steve Geuss</b>	Steve Foerch
Frank Novakowski	<b>Tim Hamman</b>	Scott Hagel

Sportswriter of the Year:

Nominator	Nominee	Seconded
Tim Hamman	<b>Bill Stone</b>	Jarrod Amosch
Chad Downie	<b>Chris Walker</b>	Greg Gebhardt

Steering Committee:

Nominator	Nominee	Seconded
Steve Foerch	<b>Steve Gale</b>	Ryan Dengel
Blaise Blasko	<b>Keith Mukai</b>	Tim Hamman
Paul Kim	<b>Mike Costa</b>	Ben Anderson
Frank Novakowski	<b>Jason Suchy</b>	Jarrod Amosch
Vic Avigliano	<b>Chris Stevens</b>	Pat Cole
Blaise Blasko	<b>Frank Novakowski</b>	Tim Hamman
Frank Novakowski	<b>Greg Gebhardt</b>	Pete Kallend
Blaise Blasko	<b>Scott Phillips</b>	Bruce Biersdorf
Howie Sokol	<b>Scott Hagel</b>	Chad Downie

Hall of Fame Committee:

Nominator	Nominee	Seconded
Frank Novakowski	<b>Blaise Blasko</b>	Tim Hamman
Bruce Biersdorf	<b>How Rubin</b>	Frank Novakowski
Frank Novakowski	<b>Paul Kim</b>	Chad Downie
Howie Sokol	<b>Bob Espisito</b>	Pat Cole
Bruce Biersdorf	<b>Frank Novakowski</b>	Pete Kallend

State Meet Special Recognition Award:

Nominator	Nominee	Seconded
Frank Novakowski	<b>Fred Dryanski</b>	Tim Hamman
Howie Sokol	<b>Mike Stauffer</b>	Ryan Dengel
Scott Hagel	<b>John Schrammel</b>	Pat Cole
Ryan Dengel	<b>Mike Considine</b>	Ben Anderson

Meeting adjourned at 9:01 pm