

IHSGCA November 16, 2011 Meeting Minutes

Attendance:

Dave Calisch (HEHS), Scott Phillips (HEHS), Ryan Brown (HEHS), Chris Stevens (BGHS), Eric Bostrom (SchHS), Eric Harima (SchHS), Blaise Blasko, Phil Carello, Steve Gale (GBS), Eric Rosenwald (RMHS), Doug Foerch (HPDF), Scott Hagel (Pal), Dave Donaldson, Vic Avigliano, Frank Novakowski (GWHS), Mike Galfi (ATHS), Tim Hamman (Fremd), Keith Mukai

Current Balance:

- \$13,361.15

Thank You: Thank you to Mike Costa for providing the IHSGCA with a host school host our meetings and providing food for the association.

Casino Night Fundraisers: We are still in the works of attaining a license to host a casino night. This has been our only source of income aside from association dues.

- **Charitable casino gaming is becoming problematic due to State of IL restrictions.**
- **Staffing must be done by the charitable organization--i.e. IHSGCA members have to be table dealers, money handlers, etc.**
- **Alternates to Rockford Games are being explored.**
- **Getting our own charitable gaming license is still in-process.**
- **Seeking alternate ideas for fundraisers.**

Website: Thank you to Frank Novakowski for keeping the website updated. Please check the website for important dates, forms, contacts, minutes and anything else you may need. HYPERLINK "http://www.ihsgca.org/" <http://www.ihsgca.org/>

Winter Clinic: Friday, December 2, 2011

	8:30 am - 9:20 am	Registration
	9:20 am - 10:20 am	IHSGCA Meeting
Calabrese)	10:25 am – 11:40 am	1) History of the IHSGCA (Tony
program		2) Developing a Freshman/Soph/JV
		(Myles Laffey and Jeff Levin)
	11:50 am – 12:50 pm	Lunch
Scott Hagel	12:55 pm – 2:30 pm	Rules Interpretation—Doug Foerch,

- **Under-level/Assistant coaches strongly encouraged to attend.**
- **Still have to do the online Rules Interpretation video on the IHSA website.**

Important Dates:

Season Start date: Monday, February 13

Seeding Information: Tuesday, March 27

List of Participants: Monday, April 16

Coaches looking for Teaching and/or Coaching positions:

- Chris Arnold, Math (contact: Scott Hagel)
- Jason Brandenburg, PE (contact: Scott Hagel)
- Ryan Trostud, (contact: Tim Hamman)

Please check the website (job board) for a full listing

Brinkworth Senior All-Star Meet:

1) Budget for the Senior Meet

- **Budget for the 2012 meet will be sent out at the Winter Clinic**

2) Coaches discussion

a) What did you like about the meet?

- **Comments: Fun atmosphere, good competition. Keep it going.**

b) What do we want to change for this upcoming year if we decide to run the meet again?

- **Suggestions: Keep it to the weekend after the State Meet.**

Golf Outing/Hall of Fame Banquet: There is no HOF inductee this year. We will still host the golf outing and banquet at the end of the year for the passing of the gavel, presentation of the top 3 state team plaques.

Monday, May 14, 2011

- **Encouraging association participation and attendance.**

Rule Changes: None

Amendment Proposals:

Proposed: Blaise Blasko Seconded: Jeff Roberston

CONSTITUTIONAL RESOLUTION

Article X (5 Years)

C. Illinois High School Gymnastics Coaches Association

Professional Attire for All IHSA Gymnastics Meets

Blaise Blasko 5-11-11

1. Shoes: Closed toed shoes, no flip flops, sandals, clogs or open toe shoes.
2. Slacks or Warm Up Pants: no shorts, jeans, denim pants.
3. Shirt: Preferred dress or casual collared shirt, no "T" shirts.
4. No hats or headwear.

- C.3. Should be modified: "no 'T' shirts unless "

- Should be presented as a Constitutional "Resolution", not an Amendment.

Discussion:

- Other sports have adopted such guidelines into their by-laws.

- No consequence for violating the guidelines. Just a recommendation by the association.

- Already encouraged by Kurt Gibson to incorporate such a dress policy.

- Should be brought to the IHSA Advisory Board.

- Officials could discuss it with coaches this year and then have it on the books and enforce it next year when it's on the book.

- Perhaps add a team "uniform deduction" penalty once it's on the books.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

Article III – B – 1

1. All volunteer coaches or...

- Amendment withdrawn in favor of a larger future Constitutional Amendment proposal.

- Rescinded by Blaise Blasko, seconded by Tim Hamman. Motion passed with zero "Nay" votes.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

Article V – A-1f

f. Shall report to the membership monthly minutes including a published list of persons in attendance.

- Amendment withdrawn in favor of a larger future Constitutional Amendment proposal.

- Rescinded by Blaise Blasko, seconded by Tim Hamman. Motion passed with zero "Nay" votes.

Discussion topic raised by Blaise Blasko: Should we bring judges into the association who aren't members of the IHSGCA?

- As we update the Constitution, we could make allowances for a level of limited membership for judges.
- How many other people would this actually include? There's already some overlap with HOF and active IHSGCA members.
- If they pay dues and attend meetings, judges perhaps should have a full voice and voting privileges.

Proposed: Blaise Blasko Seconded: Frank Novakowski

(Highlighted is Changed wording)

CONSTITUTIONAL AMMENDMENT

Article III

Membership

The Association has four classes of membership:

D. Hall of Fame Membership

1. All persons inducted into the IHSGCA Hall of Fame are eligible for Hall of Fame Membership.

a. They will have a voice in all Association matters.

b. They will have no vote in Association matters.

c. They will have a vote in Hall of Fame matters.

d. Hall of Fame members do not need to attend Association meetings to be eligible to vote on Hall

of Fame matters.

d. They will be considered lifetime members in the Association.

e. Hall of Fame members may serve on Association committees.

f. Annual dues are waived for Hall of Fame members.

2. Hall of Fame members and a guest will receive free admission to all Association sponsored functions.

3. A Hall of Fame member can nominate himself either verbally or in writing for any committee or activity in

which the member wants to participate.

a. Application is made only to the Secretary-Treasurer.

b. A second is not necessary for self-nomination.

4. As a Hall of Fame member of the Illinois High School Gymnastics Coaches Association they will be eligible to submit nominees in January for the Hall of Fame

Article III D to E

Article III E to F

Article III F to G

- Purpose: Codifies existing practice as relates to HOF members as an official part of our Constitution.
- Purpose: Clarifies and formalizes HOF member participation rights in association matters.
- No further discussion.

Proposed: Blaise Blasko Seconded: Scott Phillips

(Highlighted is changed wording)

CONSTITUTIONAL AMMENDMENT

Article XIII

Hall of Fame

Guidelines for the Illinois High School Gymnastics Coaches Association Hall of Fame.

A. Location – Gary Morava Center, Mount Prospect, Illinois.

B. Purpose – To recognize the achievement of those people who have contributed to the

promotion of Illinois High School Gymnastics.

C. Categories – Competitors, coaches, judges, and contributors.

D. Criteria:

1. Any member of the Illinois High School Gymnastics Coaches Association will be eligible to submit nominees.
2. Any member making a nomination will be responsible for writing a resume of the nominee's accomplishments and contributions to Illinois high school gymnastics.
3. All nominees in the coach, judge, or contributor category must have a minimum of five years active participation in the Illinois high school gymnastics system.
4. All nominees in the competitor category must have completed at least one year in the Illinois high school gymnastics system.
5. All resumes will be submitted to the Hall of Fame Selection Committee in January for screening, with a majority vote by the Selection Committee needed to approve the nominees of the membership.

6. An individual nomination is active in the HOF committee for three years.

7. All resumes should be kept on file indefinitely.

E. Hall of Fame Committee:

1. The selection committee will be composed of six members to serve a term of three years.
2. A chairman will be selected by the committee with a simple majority vote.
3. The Hall of Fame selection committee will review all current nominees.
4. A majority vote by the selection committee is needed to approve current nominees of the membership.
5. A 2/3 vote by the selection committee is needed to reject any nominee of the membership.
6. In February the Hall of Fame committee will meet to review names for the current years ballot.
7. The selection committee will present the nominees to the entire Association at the March meeting.
8. A ¾ majority is necessary to be introduced to the selection committee once again for final approval.
9. The number of inductees shall be of a number not to exceed three in any year.
10. Announcements of inductees will be made in conjunction with our annual banquet at the May meeting.

F. Hall of Fame Chairman:

1. The chairman will annually update the Hall of Fame members and their personal contact information.
2. At the December meeting the Hall of Fame chairman will review all resumes on file that can be renominated by the general membership.
3. The second week of April, the Hall of Fame chairman will send out ballots and resumes to all Hall of Fame members that are not actively coaching at a member school.
4. The ballots must be on colored paper.
5. A stamped, return envelope addressed to the Hall of Fame committee chairman will be sent with the ballots.
6. Current Hall of Fame members will vote by mail only.
7. Current Hall of Fame voting ballots must be returned before the end of IHSA Sectional competition.
8. The chairman will write a formal letter to the individual(s) notifying them of their acceptance into the IHSGCA Hall of Fame.
9. The chairman will arrange for the HOF member to provide an 11"X14" black and white portrait. He will

frame and place the photograph on the HOF wall at the Morava Center.
10. The chairman will coordinate with the HOF member in ordering a ring.
11. The nominee will pay 50% of the cost toward purchasing the ring.
12. The chairman will send a letter of recognition to the Principal and Athletic Director of the high school in which the inductee coached.

G. Hall of Fame Voting:

1. The Hall of Fame steering committee prepares the Hall of Fame ballots.
2. At the end of the April IHSGCA meeting the Secretary-Treasurer will prepare for the Hall of Fame steering committee a full membership list with school names. The list will include current Hall of Fame members that are actively coaching.
3. The Hall of Fame steering committee or their appointee will conduct voting for the Hall of Fame at all sectional host sites.
4. There is no limit on the number of nominees that can get a "yes" vote.
5. All ballots are forwarded to the Hall of Fame chairman and kept separate from the current Hall of Fame member ballots.
6. Using the total number of Full members, tally 75% of this number to determine the votes necessary for induction into the Hall of Fame.
7. The final vote count is made using the "yes" votes from the current Full membership plus all "yes" votes from current Hall of Fame members.
8. Per XIII-E-8 from above the Hall of Fame committee will tally votes and notify in writing the IHSGCA President of the individuals inducted into the IHSGCA Hall of Fame.
9. The Hall of Fame chairman will keep all ballots for one year.

- XIII.G.7 (of the latest draft) is the significant change. Alters the threshold for the HOF votes required.

- Requires "Yes" votes from 65% of: (Reachable HOF members + members of Association)

- HOF Chairman will need to determine if contact info for each HOF member is accurate.

- HOF Chairman will cull the list of HOF members over time if they do not respond or cannot be reached.

- Also defines further roles and expectations of HOF Chairman.

- Largely defines existing expectations that are not documented.

- Note that proxy votes are already an option for members to vote (send their vote in to the Secretary via email).

Proposed: Ryan Dengel Seconded: Keith Mukai

Article XIII Section D

A candidate will only be approved if he receives a 3/4 majority (75.0% or greater) of all votes cast. Hall of

Fame members' votes will be counted the same as general Association members' votes.

The Hall of Fame committee shall count the votes as follows:

- A "Yes" vote for a candidate will be added to the vote count's numerator and denominator.

- A "No" vote for a candidate will be added to the vote count's denominator.
- An "Abstain" or non-vote (neither "Yes" nor "No" were selected) for a candidate will not affect the outcome.

Example:

Candidate X receives 35 "Yes" votes, 10 "No" votes, with 7 abstaining. The votes are calculated as $35/45 =$

77.8% and the candidate is approved for Hall of Fame induction.

Candidate Y receives 20 "Yes" votes, 8 "No" votes, with 8 abstaining. The votes are calculated as $20/28 =$

71.4% and the candidate is not approved for Hall of Fame induction.

The Hall of Fame committee shall notify the Association president the result of the votes by _____(some time frame).

Discussion:

- **If an abstain vote is thrown out, it actually lowers the threshold for reaching approval.**
- **Keith Mukai: I now prefer Blaise's latest version of his vote-counting proposal.**
- **Get HOF nominees' resumes out to the association sooner so that they aren't trying to make a decision on the spot at Sectionals. April is a possibility. Blaise's proposal recommends the March association meeting.**

Changes to State Meet Format:

The following were voted on and pass unanimously to suggest to the IHSA for changes in the State Meet format.

- **Approved by the association in May.**

Proposal for team finals

1. All-around groups will be assigned to each of the BYE rotations in the 8 team rotation currently used with the BYES starting first on two of the 4 rotations instead of the present none.

Rationale, it is chosen at random for the team, the AA should also have a feel of randomness to better show the openness of the judging.

2. All-around groups will be assigned in descending ranked order and be assigned each of the 4 slots. The exception being all-arounders from the same team should be in the same rotation for the purpose of safety and saving time so a coach does not have to be on two events at the same time.

1 2 3 4

8 7 6 5

9 10 11 12 etc.

Every effort should be made to keep the groups as close to the same number as possible

3. Team warm-ups will be 12 minutes per rotations as per sectionals
(Discussion occurred about moving the All-Around award to Saturday from Friday, but was tabled.)

Discussion:

- **We do not know who the new Advisory Board members will be in 2012.**
- **Mike Galfi will ask Kurt Gibson if he has the list of new Advisory Board members.**
- **The new Advisory Board member(s) will need to add these items to the IHSA agenda.**

New Business:

1) The passing of Joe Giallombardo

If any of the IHSGCA coaches or Hall of Fame members would like to speak for a couple of minutes each about the Illinois Boys Gymnastics and the impact of the coaches of Joe Giallombardo's generation on boys gymnastics as a competitive sport in Illinois high schools, we would really love to have that happen and would invite them to do so. Any coach/Hall of Fame member, or judge is invited to respond ASAP to either:

HYPERLINK "mailto:gsbmedal@comcast.net" gsbmedal@comcast.net (Jay or Helen Giallombardo) or HYPERLINK "mailto:JoeGMemorial@comcast.net" JoeGMemorial@comcast.net

We thank you!

- Helen & Jay Giallombardo, on behalf of the family of Joe Giallombardo parents of Joe Giallombardo III (competing Varsity Boys Gymnastics for Glenbrook South HS for 4 years - 2005 - 2008)
Helen cell: 847-651-4265

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The Giallombardo family will host the Joe Giallombardo - Celebration of Life Memorial Service.

Joe Giallombardo - Celebration of Life Memorial Service

When: Saturday November 19th, 2011
Pre-Service Reception: 1 - 2pm
Celebration of Life Service: 2 - 3pm
Post-Service Reception: 3 - 3:30pm

Where: Crowne Plaza Chicago-Northbrook
2875 N. Milwaukee Ave.
Northbrook, IL 60062
Room: Lincoln Room (2nd Floor)

We want to invite as many IHSGCA coaches as well as Hall of Fame members as possible in the hopes that many can attend. If you have the ability to pass this along to the IHSA boys gymnastics roster of judges as well, that would be greatly appreciated!.

Wives and significant others are also invited. Please RSVP (see below).

Joe Giallombardo passed away at the age of 94 from natural causes peacefully and quietly on Thursday evening of October 13th at a Richardson TX hospice home. His wife Edith with whom Joe had 70 years' of marriage survives and will be in attendance as well as Joe's children, grandchildren and a handful of great-grandchildren.

RSVP for the service: HYPERLINK "mailto:JoeGMemorial@comcast.net"
JoeGMemorial@comcast.net

Questions? Please e-mail Jay or Helen Giallombardo: HYPERLINK
"mailto:gsbmedal@comcast.net" gsbmedal@comcast.net

- Encouraging IHSGCA members to attend and speak.

2) CJ Johnson – Retirement Dinner

There are still many more alumni and friends that need to be contacted. Drury Lane in Oak Brook has a max capacity of 275 people that they can accommodate. It should be a great evening!

HYPERLINK "http://www.sonofamericafoundation.org/"
<http://www.sonofamericafoundation.org/> - under the "events" tab, click CJ Johnson

- January 13th

- RSVP date has passed but you should be able to RSVP if interested.

Passing of Pat Kivland

- Visitation and Funeral information provided on updated version of this document.

Visitation:

Sunday 2 – 7PM, Kisselburg Funeral Home, 235 N. Main St. Wauconda 60084

Funeral:

Monday, 10 AM, Transfiguration Church, 316 W. Mill St. Wauconda 60084

Other business:

- State Gymnastics Stats: Bill Considine requesting donations to support their operations.

- Glenbard West is looking for teams for the Glenbard West Invite. Contact Frank Novakowski.

Motion to adjourn by Vic Avigliano, seconded by Tim Hamman.