

IHSGCA Meeting Agenda

February 17th, 2016



Call to order:

7:13

Attendance:

Zack Crandall, Mike Opsal, Ryan Brown, Erik Bostrom, Frank Novakowski,
Greg Gebhardt, Jay Sipek, Jarrod Amolsch, Dave Calisch, Scott Phillips,

Chard Jaros, Mike Costa, Joe Rogalski, Richard Meyer, Adrian Batista, Ryan Dul, Bob Esposito, Chris
Stevens, Bill Watts, Billy Hois, Jake Weigle

Total: 21

Current Balance: \$12,292.66

State Meet:

- Fri.-Sat., May 13-14, 2016 at Hinsdale Central HS

Brinkworth Senior All-Star Meet:

- Thursday, May 19th, 7pm
- Hoffman Estates HS

HOF:

- Hall of fame nominations are due by the February meeting through the website:
<http://ihsgca.org/index.php?pageID=15>

Officials:

- Still some openings throughout the state
 - It is not too late to get involved judging!
- Notes from Judging Clinic on website:
https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1Pzuv0h6IsjD5EaNj6cJsN9jQPLou4rDe-SS9qfT_8M/edit#slide=id.p
- Videos from beginner judges clinic on YouTube:
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCDaPJ8b_scl-0CiPwknmh8Q

Could be a good resource for coaches, not just officials.

Brinkworth Scholarship:

- Boys' Brinkworth Scholarship Application form will be due **Wed., April 27.**
 - *Betty will not be there end of april, so apps will be due 27th instead this year*

Coaching openings/coach recruitment plan:

- Programs potentially at risk due to lack of coaches
 - *Downers South, may or may not have program depending on if they hired someone this week, we have also lost Lincoln way, and Lake park among a few others were close to season before hiring coaches*
- Plan to recruit/develop more coaches (both assistant and head)
 - Reach out to clubs, graduating gymnasts, recent grads, etc.
 - *Even if it is part time, volunteer, while at a community college etc.*
 - Plug it at meets like state, senior all-star meet, etc.
 - *Get the word out, talk about how the sport needs them and their input*
 - Start a gymnast alumni Facebook page, email list, etc- send out schedule each year, senior night, invites to come back on breaks from college etc- just to keep them involved.

- IHSGCA collects senior emails from each coach- maybe in april, may do it on a Google form to get coaches to input their senior emails- then send blasts to kids a few times a year- ask for their help- send coaching openings, judging clinic dates, etc.
- Contact college clubs (NAIGC)
 - *Those who have stayed active in the sport would be a good contact after they graduate in case they stay local and could help out.*
- Post a list of NAIGC clubs in gym so gymnasts can see where there are programs: https://www.naigc.net/club_list.php
 - *Many programs out there that people are not aware of- inform gymnasts so if they go to that school they can continue onward. Build knowledge and give back as coaches*
- *Perhaps encourage underlevel coaches to apply for open head coaching positions that you would feel could do a good job- might not be most convenient but would help the sport*
- *Perhaps encourage part time coaches- maybe split a stipend – may seem like less of a commitment if they only have to come part time.*
- *Why is it that admin are not looking for coaches, foot in door can be coaching- now it is not a focus, which can hurt the students' overall experience. Lack of desire from new teachers to do extracurricular- pulled in many directions. admin not looking to continue programs- if it is a headache, just drop it seems to be the vibe.*
- *Make it clear to supers and ADs that they're appreciated and the boys who come out for our sport are ones who may not have done a sport before, or any activity for that matter- and it encourages involvement of all types of kids*
- *Can we join clubs on job boards and post jobs – not ours to post, but would school allow us to post to garner interest and get people involved and maybe the high school coaching position would work for them as opposed to a club position. AD's also have their own website where they post positions- that could be an option as well.*

Clarification on new rules:

- All of the changes that were approved in December and that are going into effect this season are posted on the ihsgca website under [interpretations](#). There will not be a new rulebook issued until next year. All of the new rules will be incorporated into that new book, for the 2017 season.
 - *Look for the gray areas on the document, the new frosh rules are in effect this year, but will not be printed in a new book- they will only be on the interp page.*

Important dates:

- Senior Gymnast of the Year: Nominations due at the April meeting. Please see the website for nomination forms.
- Resumes will be emailed to the association prior to the voting at the sectional meet to help
- Season Start date: Monday, February 15
- Seeding Information: Tuesday, March 29
- List of Participants: Monday, April 18

UIC Meet:

Sunday, March 13th at 2:00 pm: UIC v. Arizona State

- *A great team bonding event, grab food, tickets \$4 for a group if call ahead, at the Pavillion – a great venue to watch gymnastics- help coach Nelson out and get a good crowd as it has been fairly thin lately. Another way to promote gymnastics!*

Calendar:

ASSOC: Wednesday, February 17th

ASSOC: Wednesday, March 16th

ASSOC: Wednesday, April 20th

ASSOC: Tuesday, May 10th

HOF: Monday, May 16th

For the good of the Membership/Additional Items

- *Frank Walsh being inducted- trying to garner interest in getting people to induction- one way would be to contact Lloyd Bachrach- was a gymnast back in the day who did not have legs and became a motivational speaker. It seems he has helped get guys to attend, and we really need to encourage our association to attend and have current coaches to be there to help honor these inductees. There is even a woman who was coached by Frank who is coming from Florida- we need to show support of all the people he has touched by attending these events.*
- *We also need to continue to consider nominees to induct so we can keep the tradition alive of honoring coaches who have had successful careers, and keep moving forward on getting new honorees in it. We will publish guidelines and promote more next year in order to get more nominations and attendance.*
- *Be sure to go online by March 22 to watch and get credit for the Rules Interp Video and don't forget about your list of participants, judges ratings, etc.*

Motion to adjourn Zack, 2nd by Ryan Brown 8:00