

Association Meeting

Agenda/Minutes



Call To Order

2019 November 18

7:00pm

Rolling Meadows High School, Room A 111

[Video Conference Link](#)

Attendance

Avigliano	Vic
Basler	Julian
Batista	Adrian
Bostrom	Erik
Brandenburg	Jason
Ciedzadlo	Tony
Cordts	Bill
Dul	Ryan
Foerch	Doug
Gebhardt	Greg
Hagel	Scott
Harima	Eric
Jaros	Chad
Lutz	Jim
Meyer	Matthew
Mukai	Keith
Novakowski	Frank
Pajor	Alex
Pracko	Brian
Raeside	Jacob
Rubin	Howard
Zeman	Sam

Balance

- Current Balance: **\$7528.71**
- Balance at this time last year: **\$ 8148.60**

State of Gymnastics in IHSA

Message from Tracie

Overview

- IHSA is looking at Boys and Girls gymnastics because they are under the 10% threshold for school participant threshold

Propose this to 1000 athletes instead of 10%. We are currently at 1300 athletes.

Julian Balsler was denied starting a boys program at Wheeling by their AD

New charter schools that join the IHSA count against us.

- Individual participants do count towards the threshold for the school they attend
- If sports are dropped, IHSA would no longer fund the State Series - Sectionals and State
- IHSA voted to keep Boys and Girls gymnastics state series for 2020 at the meeting in September
- Financial Deficit for IHSA state series
 - \$12k for boys
 - \$28k for girls

Ideas & Suggestions

- Push back against the characterization that Boys Gymnastics is dwindling. Data shows consistent numbers of teams between 2004 and now. Email was sent, please share with your ADs (D. Foerch)
- Bring in gymnasts from CPS, and other schools without teams as individual participants. Individual participants count as a school for IHSA 10% threshold (Costa, Batista, Mukai)
 - Work up a run-sheet for sponsors to follow (Mukai, Batista has a bunch of info)
 - Maine schools and others may have individuals. (Batista)
- Bring in some club boys for state series; Gymkana (Mukai)
- Break up Co-ops. Is there a way we can affect this? (Costa)
 - Wheaton
 - Maine schools individuals?
- Move to a Co-Ed sport (Blasko)
- Move to a fall sport so that it doesn't conflict with USAG (Batista, Cordts)
- Have IHSGCA cover the financial deficit. Maybe find a corporate sponsor (Hagel)
- If IHSA drops the programs, could we join USAG at the region 5 state meet? (Costa)
- Coordinate with the Girls Association (Novakowski)
 - Chad emailed and texted Girls President
 - Judy is interested in coordinating.
 - We have not been invited to join in their clinic on October 25th.
- Meet with Tracie
 - She'll be in town for the girls clinic on Friday, October 25th. She agreed to meet with us. Need to coordinate a time
- Charley Nelson has a contact within USAG who may craft a letter to IHSA ADs

- 60th anniversary Hall of Fame gathering at the state meet

Steering Committee Actions

- IHSA Board of Directors proposal to change cancellation rule to 1000 participants
 - Review submission:
 - https://docs.google.com/document/d/1LBTZjwF_wAlqyFeOfSe7ckbvFTdluuy0oqGAo49SkPs/edit?usp=sharing
- Send invitation to Girls Association to coordinate actions
- IHSA Advisory Board proposal Change State Meet to 2 sessions
 - Expect to see proposal at the December clinic

Each session costs about 3k. We would save about 4-5k.

Possibly go to 4 sectionals instead of 5.

This would get proposed in April and voted on in June.

- Find sponsors for State Series
 - IHSGCA may sponsor if we can sufficiently increase fundraising
- Increase attendance / ticket sales at State Series
 - Collaborate with Girls Gymnastics to attend each others meets
 - 60th IHSGCA Anniversary HOF and Alumni gathering

We would need numbers for an Alumni gathering.

Increase our fundraising.

Anniversary gatherings every year.

Finances

2020 Association Fees

- Head Coaches: \$25
- Assistant Coaches: \$20
- Judges: \$15
- Hall of Fame: \$0
- December Clinic: \$45 + normal fee

Fundraising

- Casino Night
 - Steering committee is committed to running casino nights this year.
 - We need volunteers to work the events.

We did have more than 6 Volunteers.

See if the Girls Association would volunteer with us.

Philanthropy

- Brinkworth Scholarship

- April 16th deadline for submissions

2020 Season

Positions of Note

Conference Reps

- CSL - Adrian Batista adrbat@d219.org
- MSL East - Zack Crandall zach.crandall@d214.org
- MSL West - Scott Hagel shagel@d211.org
- WSC Gold - Bill Cordts bcordts@leyden212.org
- WSC Silver - Frank Novakowski frank.novakowski@cusd200.org
- Independent - Greg Gebhardt greg.gebhardt@cusd200.org

Executive Board

- Chad Jaros - President chad.jaros@gmail.com
- Eric Harima - Vice President gymnastshs@gmail.com
- Ryan Dul - Treasurer rdul@glenbrook225.org
- Jason Brandenburg - Secretary jbrandenburg@d211.org

Steering Committee

- Jesse Piland
- CJ Patton
- Frank Novakowski
- Alex Pajor
- Greg Gebhardt

Open Positions

- Judging Assignor: West Suburban Conference
 - Contact joseph_kain@glenbard.org if interested
- Highland Park – Assistant coaches
- Stevenson – Assistant coach
- Hinsdale South – Head coach and two assistant coaches
- Hinsdale Central – Head coach and assistant coach
- Homewood-Flossmoor – Head coach or assistant coach
- Lake Park – Head coach
- Schaumburg—Assistant coach

December Clinic

- 2019 December 6th, 8:00 am
- Hosted at Hoffman Estates HS
- Planning similar format to last year
 - 2 main presentations
 - 9 breakout sessions
- Need volunteers to host breakout sessions

- If interested, email anyone on the steering committee

Send out the online form for Winter Clinic Registration.

Freshman Recruiting

- Discussion
 - Allow freshman some freedom, they may not start out appreciating gymnastics
 - Teach them stupid stuff, like breakdancing, backflips, trampoline
 - Then retain after they're hooked
 - Open gym the first day of school

Send out a blind email to all freshmen.

Run a park district program.

Introduce a gymnastics lesson plan at IAPHERD. Proposed towards schools that wouldn't have equipment and make it K-12.

NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY on posters.

Showcase skills at an assembly.

- Have sophomores - seniors recruit
- Ask every gymnast to bring a freshman friend
 - Pay a freshman \$1 for each friend - (don't tell your wife)
- Schoology group, keep it updated, send out notifications
- How do you keep freshman to senior year?
 - Keep touch - high touch, follow ups
- You have to be high touch

State Meet

- 60th anniversary Hall of Fame gathering
 - HOF Reunion
 - Scott Philips to contact HOF members
 - Steering committee to try to coordinate with Tracie to get HOF members announced
 - Alumni Reunions
 - Need Head or Assistant coaches to organize alumni gatherings at state meet

Coach Participation in the Association

- Call your friend coaches, ask them to come
- Bring your assistants
- Peer pressure works

Judging

- Please sign up if you have not. First year judges do not have to pay a late fee

Judges Training Videos

To help with your training for both judging and coaching- Brandon Tucker has graciously begun to develop judges training video tutorials on youtube for those of you who could not attend the clinics or mini clinics. Please

view these videos and consider joining our team of judges, and thank you Brandon for developing these! They can also be found on the association webpage.

- [General overview](#)
- [Floor Ex](#)
- [Rings](#)
- [Vault](#)
- [Parallel Bars](#)
- [High Bar](#)

Judging Clinics

- Dates & Times
- November 19th 20th 6-9pm @ Glenbard East
- Feb. 8th @ TBD 9am-3pm

Rules & Interps Updates

<http://www.ihsgca.org/index.php?pageID=19>

Calendar

Public Calendar with Association Events for the season:

<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=gm5njjc9updj7jvq5ugjs8c8l4%40group.calendar.google.com&ctz=America%2FChicago>

Upcoming Dates

- 2019 November 18
 - IHSGCA Association Meeting
 - 7pm
 - Rolling Meadows HS
- 2019 November 19 and 21
 - Judging Clinic, must attend both nights for credit
 - 6pm
 - Glenbard West HS
- 2019 December 06
 - 8:00am
 - Winter Clinic
 - Hoffman Estates HS
- 2020 February 8
 - Judging Clinic
 - 9am
 - Glenbrook South HS

For the good of the Membership/New Business:

Pre-selling tickets is an option.

Go to the next Girls Assoc. Meeting.

Meeting Adjourn

Notes from 11/18

Eric Liva- talked with IHSA source stating Tracie's email is:

Directed towards Boys/girls

- Financial
- 10% rule
- Our support is trending down

Our sports are viewed as a 40K deficit. Girls debt is also reflected on us.

Possibly form a committee to work directly with the Girls Association

Expand the team cutoff to 12 in order to generate more revenue.

Club individuals that compete count as a one team

No exact timeline. They want to see growth from the 2 programs. "Not counting this year. Probably done in 2."

Get an itemized list of expenses from the IHSA and they said no. We did get some rough breakdowns, but that was it.