

IHSGCA April 18, 2007 Meeting



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Agenda Items:

Meeting called to order at 7:40

-Current Balance: \$26,900.91

-Upcoming Dates:

Association Meetings: Wednesday 5/9

-Membership:

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

Please pay dues to Chris Cassidy. Checks can be mailed to him at 2901 Central Rd., Rolling Meadows, IL 60008. Make checks payable to IHSGCA. **Dues must be paid to vote at sectionals.**

-Casino Nights:

Dates for this year: September 13th, November 13th, December 20th. Information to follow at a later date.

-Golf Outing: Tuesday May 15th Glendale Lakes (Map on Website). 1st tee time at 3:30. Banquet following. **Register your foursome on the website. If you do not want to golf, all members can attend the banquet free of charge. The banquet will start at approximately 6:30.**

-Hall of Fame: Thursday May 10th at 7:30. Mark Sohn and Dave Oliphant will be inducted.

Thanks to Blaise Blasko for working on updating the pictures in the Morava Center lobby.

Voting for this year's Hall of Fame Nominees will take place at sectionals.

-Lake Geneva Retreat

Betty said that Al Galatte was willing to speak about judging/putting together under-level routines, Neil Palmer would speak about Yurchenko's, and she has an athletic trainer to elite athletes that can speak about injury prevention/care. Any other suggestions?

-Rules Interpretations:

Are posted online at: http://www.ihsgca.org/ihsgca_rules.htm

Email any additional rules interpretations to Doug Foerch: DFoerch@dist113.org

-Sectional Equipment: Doug Foerch asks that all sectional hosts measure their equipment before their meet.

-John Brinkworth Scholarship: Application due April 27th. The application is available on IHSGCA website.

-Possible State Series Change:

Move the all-around competition to the same night as the team competition.

Discussion was tabled at the last meeting.

***Positive Comments: more fans, more teams involved on Friday, levels the playing field for AA on the qualifying teams with the individual AA, more exciting meet.**

***Negative Comment: AA on teams might not feel as free to take risks to boost their score if their team score is also on the line.**

***Overall, the majority of the comments were very positive for change. This recommendation will be passed on to the advisory committee for their meeting with the IHSA next March.**

-National Team Applications due

-Senior Gymnast Applications due

The resumes for each nominee can be viewed on our website:

http://www.ihsgca.org/ihsgca_seniorgym.htm

Voting will take place at sectional for senior gymnast of the year.

-Nominations for HOF Committee (2 positions available): Al and Ed's terms will expire after this year. Current Committee Members 2006- Bruce Beiersdorf & Scott Phillips, 2005- Brad Foerch & Steve Kafka.

Howie Rubin (Nominated by Bruce Beiersdorf, 2nd by Greg Gebhardt)

Al Galatte (Nominated by Pat Cole, 2nd by Greg Gebhardt)

-Nominations for Secretary/Treasurer

Chris Stevens (Nominated by Eric Liva, 2nd by Chris Cassidy)

-Nominations for Steering Committee (5 positions available)

Sam Zeman (Nominated by Scott Hagel, 2nd by Greg Gebhardt)

Bill Watts (Nominated by Greg Gebhardt, 2nd by Howie Rubin)

Mark Wanner (Nominated by Sam Zeman, 2nd by Greg Gebhardt)

Eric Liva (Nominated by Bill Cordts, 2nd by Pat Cole)

Blaise Blasko (Nominated by Howie Rubin, 2nd by Greg Gebhardt)

Rick Meyer (Nominated by Bill Watts, 2nd by Frank Novakowski)

-Nominations for Sportswriter of the Year

Bill Stone (Doings Newspaper)

Mike Considine (Daily Herald)

John Bumbales (Daily Herald)

Dino Marco (Libertyville Countryside)

-Nominations for Special Recognition Award

Bill Stone

Mike Considine

Mike Williams

Tim Roegner

Mark Watman

Andy Issacson

Motion to table Coach of the year voting made by Scott Hagel, 2nd by Sam Zeman.

Motion made in order to wait for the results of the conference Coach of the Year voting.

-Coaches looking for positions:

- Bob Holloway will be looking for a Science and coaching position for next year. Contact him at jbmvholloway@ameritech.net
- Eric Liva is looking for a P.E. and coaching position for next year. He also has an administrative type 75 certificate. Contact him at 630-215-6483 for more information.
- Josh Levin is looking for an English position. Contact Blaise Blasko for more information bblasko@msn.com
- Tim Hamman is looking for a social studies position. He can be contacted at timothyhamman@hotmail.com

-Schools looking for coaches/teachers next year:

- Fremd High School is looking for a coach and has openings in Science, Social Studies, and Math for next year. Contact Jim Guest for more information: jguest@d211.org
- Homewood/Flossmoor Head and assistant coach, possibly head girls, teaching special ed., P.E., Spanish, Science, Math, and possibly English. <http://www.hfhighschool.org/>
- Glenbard East needs an assistant boys coach. Contact Bruce Beiersdorf for more information: bruce_beiersdorf@glenbard.org
- Hinsdale South needs a head/assistant coach. <http://south.hinsdale86.org/>
- Addison Trail needs a head/assistant coach. <http://www.dupage88.net/aths/>
- Willobrook needs a head/assistant coach. <http://www.dupage88.net/wbhs/default.htm>
- Schaumburg is looking for an assistant coach. They have openings in social studies, and business. Contact Howie Rubin for more information: hrubin@d211.org

Other Business

-Howie Sokol brought up the fact that we must continue to find new judges. Anyone that is interested in judging (**even with little or no experience**) is encouraged to register as a judge for next year. You can register on the IHSA website by following this link: <http://www.ihsa.org/official/howto.htm>

Active judges can help teach new judges the basics of how to begin (also this past year a new judge's clinic was held to help get new officials started). **Finding new officials is vital to our sport!** Head and assistant coaches are strongly encouraged to judge (even if it is only a couple of meets a year).

-Bill Cordts brought up the idea of moving the boy's gymnastics season to the Fall. Some positive comments about this idea were: less conflicts with club gymnastics, less sports to compete with in the Fall season, kids might not be as "burnt out" of sports as they are during the Spring Season after doing Fall and Winter sports, in the Spring many athletes don't want to be inside. Some negative comments were: this would shorten the amount of time that (to only 3 years, because the fall season is right away) that gymnasts have to improve their skills, freshmen would be harder to recruit because school would not have started when the season starts (many freshmen won't join if they have not been exposed to gymnastics in their P.E. class or asked about it by a coach), many freshmen boy's join football (and then quit football after the first year).

Motion to adjourn at 8:35 by Bill Cordts, 2nd by Greg Gebhardt.