

# Association Meeting

March 14, 2022 @ 7:00pm

Agenda/Minutes



## ZOOM INFO:

Zoom link expired

## Call To Order

7:07pm Seconded - CJ Patton

## Attendance

In-Person: CJ Patton, Frank Novakowski, Eric Harima, Ryan Dul, Matt Swanson, George Joseph, Greg Didech, Zach Crandall, Chad Jaros

Virtual: Jarrod Amolsch, Luke Badger, Dan Bajek, Adrian Batista, Brian Bekkedal, Blaise Blasko, Eric Bostrom, Jason Brandenburg, Ryan Brown, Bill Cordts, Andy Foerch, Doug Foerch, Steve Foerch, Carlos Fuentes, Mike Galfi, Greg Gebhardt, Scott Hagel, Tom Huml, Keith Mukai, Scott Phillips, Howie Rubin, Brandon Tucker, Joon Yun, Sam Zeman

## Balance

- Current Balance: **\$8,992.22**
- Balance at this time last year: \$8,680.53

## Finances

### Taxes & Non-Profit Status

We are still waiting to officially hear from the Office of the Attorney General in regards to our standing with being a Charitable Organization.

### 2021-2022 Association Fees/Dues

If you have not paid yet, please do so!

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

3 ways to Pay:

1. Chase Quickpay/Zelle - [treasurer@ihsgca.org](mailto:treasurer@ihsgca.org)
2. Cash - bring to meeting
3. Check
  - a. Bring to a meeting OR ...
  - b. Mail to: Fremd High School; Attn: Jason Brandenburg; 1000 S Quentin Rd, Palatine, IL 60067

## Fundraising

Putting our focus on only two things this year in which if we do successfully, we can earn \$5,000 plus.

### Gym Set-ups

- USAG Girls Gymnastics Level 6, 7, & 8 State Meet Set-up & Tear Down. This will earn \$3,000 total between set-up and tear-down ... this is an updated amount (\$600 more) from what we were originally told
  - Set-up: Thursday, March 31 @ 6:00pm
  - Tear-Down: Sunday, April 3 @ Late Afternoon (exact time TBD)
  - Location: Athletico Center (1900 Old Willow, Northbrook)
- [SIGN UP HERE](#)
  - Goal is to get a minimum of 30 people. This will make sharing the work much easier and things will fly by. Getting 30 kids and adults for each night should be feasible and will make the work go much faster.

Only 10 signed up per night at this point. GBrook South has committed. Conant, Fremd as well. GBrook North. Don't wait for others to sign up. Step up now and sign up yourself/your team.

### Casino Nights

The Steering Committee has voted to renew our Charitable Gaming License. However, before we fully commit to this, we need to ensure that members of our association are willing to volunteer to make these nights successful. The survey you are about to take is more of a preliminary poll. If there is enough interest, we will follow through with the renewal process and get set dates/scheduling so that we can put together a sign-up sheet as we have in the past.

Please take the next couple of minutes to complete the survey.

### Philanthropy

- **Special Olympics Follow-up**
  - GBrook S and Buffalo Grove showed up with some of their boys which is great
  - Looked like a great meet to be involved in and we should try to gather steam for this for the future.
  - There could be potential to bring registered IHSA officials there. There were four this year, Brandon Tucker, Zach Crandall, Bryan Pracko, and Doug Foerch
    - It would be much easier and more fun for the athletes who would then become "secondary judges"
    - It would also be a good look for the Association in regards to their efforts to recruit judges.
    - Crandall - emphasizes that it's a great experience for the kids on your team, and for the athletes competing. The organization can always use the help.
- **Brinkworth Scholarship**
  - Due April 15 to Betty
  - [Application Here](#)
- **IHSGCA Scholarship**
  - Due April 18 by the start of the Association Meeting
  - [Application Here](#)
- **Senior Gymnast of the Year Nominations**
  - Due April 18 by the start of the Association Meeting
  - [Application Here](#)

# **2021-2022 Season**

## **Association Meetings**

Hybrid meetings: In-Person will be at Rolling Meadows with virtual attendance being possible. As the situation and the Covid guidelines change, we will encourage more in person attendance and participation, but we will not restrict or deny anyone from attending virtually for the remainder of this season.

- Monday, April 18, 2022                      Discussion on Rules Proposals
- Monday, May 9, 2022                        Voting Meeting
- Monday, May 16, 2022                      HOF Banquet

## **Dates to Note**

Sectional Seeds Due:                      March, 29, 2022  
List of Participants Due:                    April 18, 2022  
Sectional Week:                            May 2-7, 2022  
State Meet: Ind. Pre/AA:                    May 13, 2022  
State Meet: Team/Ind Finals:              May 14, 2022

## **Coaches To-Do List ASAP**

In your School Center (IHSA Website), please be sure to do the following:

1. Participation Survey
2. Judge Ratings for ALL MEETS & INVITES

## **Hall of Fame Banquet & Golf Outing**

- 2022 Inductee: Pat Kivland (Prospect)
- Date: Monday, May 16
- Locations:
  - Golf Outing: Old Orchard Country Club, Mount Prospect
    - 4 tee times starting at 3:30pm
    - [Sign-up Here](#)
  - Banquet: Gary Morava Center, Mount Prospect
    - [RSVP Here](#)

## **Brinkworth Senior All-Star Meet**

Tentative Logistics:

- Date:    Wednesday, May 18th
- Location:                                      Glenbrook South High School
- Competitors:                                Based on Conference Meet standings

# **Judging**

## **Updates**

- Number of current registered judges

- We are up to 45 registered officials. There were 39 at our last meeting.
- If you are up and able to become a certified judge, please apply as soon as possible.
- There are still plenty of open spots to officiate meets currently. Please contact Greg Gebhardt and/or Bob Russell for what is currently available if you are.
- Follow-up to "[Meets being Affected by Lack of Judges & How It'll Affect You](#)" Email.
  - In the Q&A ... judging while spotting issues.

"If a coach must act as a judge then he **cannot** act as a spotter. If there is no suitable Assistant coach present to take their place as spotter, or the athlete does not feel safe with another spotter, or the Assistant coach does not feel capable of safely spotting any given event, skill or athlete, then one of the following must occur:

1. The skill should be removed from the routine or replaced with another "toned down" skill that the athlete feels comfortable executing with the assistant coach spotting.
2. The athlete(s) do not compete in that event.
3. The meet does not continue and all teams forfeit.

The above situations must be considered and addressed PRIOR TO the start of the meet."

- Any questions in regards to the scenarios listed?
  - This is not ideal and leaves unregistered officials who are also coaches at an advantage because the coach who is a registered official won't have to potentially sit an athlete or water down a routine

Gebhardt - Has encountered his first meet where he will not have a full judging lineup. He emailed the AD suggesting a new structure on how the triangle meet should operate. The AD was not happy... asked if he could reschedule, was confused as to why this is happening...

Also, please give new judges a chance. The last thing any new judge, or really any other coach wants to hear from another is, "why doesn't the guy behind the table know what he is doing?" It doesn't help. It's unproductive, it makes new judges feel bad, and it's caused by a situation that we're all contributing to.

## Recruiting/Signing-up

- Continue to advocate during meetings, etc ...

## Judges Training Resources

- [New Judge Starter Pack](#)
- Videos provided by Brandon Tucker available on our website (<https://ihsgca.org/>)
- **\*NEW\* - Google Classroom Resource**
  - To get into the classroom, please use the link below and be sure to **LOGIN WITH AN EMAIL OTHER THAN YOUR SCHOOL EMAIL.**
    - <https://classroom.google.com/c/NDY0NzUzOTA4MzU3?cjc=tyavea5>
- [Skills Chart](#)
- Shadowing Program
  - Procedures for Shadow Program.
- "Mini Clinics" following some Association Meetings

## Rule Proposals

### Rule Proposals Procedural Change (for this season)

Considering the impact of the new code coming out this year, it is best that rule proposals are collected by the Executive board and proposed to the Association in March. A discussion will be held in the April meeting so that

potential proposals can be heard and rationale be given, but there will be no vote on them in May. The proposals will then be submitted to the rules committee and while the new code is analyzed and worked through by the rules committee, they will simultaneously be examining and considering the proposals originating from the association. There will be no vote by the Association in the year that we transition to a new code book.

#### **Rationale for this decision:**

- The Rules Committee wants the input of the Association, but space has to be given to that committee to interpret the new code first before rules proposals are voted on by the Association. Updated rules will have to be presented at the Winter Clinic, and it will be a very tight timeline to expect the Association (and the rules committee) to submit proposals, receive votes, incorporate them into an updated book, and get USAG to approve the book if we move back the voting timeline to December.
- It will be best to postpone rules proposals for the first year of a transition year to a new book. Let the Rules Committee lay out the book for the first year, allow discussion at the April (2022) meeting, so that the committee can hear rationale before they go to work on writing the new book.
- This is what was done the last time we transitioned to a new book.
- The extenuating circumstances that have kept us on the same book for the past 5 years, and the difficulty that transition entails.
- It also prevents repetition

Questions?

What if there are rules that are not relating to the FIG code of points?

They will be voted on in regular order

Large discussion around the merits of voting on the year of a new rulebook

- Where does the SC get the power to make this decision? The association should be able to still have a voice and be able to vote on proposals. If we take away voting, we take away all of our voices. If we do not follow the constitution what is the point of having it?
- Steering Committee will look into this matter again and let the association know about any decision made next meeting.
- How can we make rule proposals on rules that we don't know yet.
- The book and code is already out and we have the ability to look at it
- But how many people have looked at it this year? Not a whole lot. The Rules Committee hasn't started on it either.

#### **Rule Proposals from Association Members:**

To see all Rule Proposals, please go to "[RULES PROPOSALS 2022.](#)"

### **For the good of the Committee/Association/New Business:**

- Frank Novakowski - Updating Coaches List
- Brandon Tucker - Suggested Organizing a Freshmen All-Star (State) meet.
  - A set-up similar to the Senior All-Star Meet

BLASKO - Lower levels must conclude their season before the IHSA state meet

- Bryan Pracko - Increasing audience participation at meets
  - Theme nights
  - Teacher Appreciation nights
  - Fundraisers

- Ryan Dul - The scary “What if” Situation - What if the IHSA no longer sanctioned the sport?
  - Update participation number through submitting your participation survey in IHSA School Center
  - Brandon Tucker - Letter Campaign: “What does gymnastics mean to you.”
  - The Steering Committee will soon be discussing “back-up plans/options”. If you have any suggestions, please contact a member of the Steering Committee.
- Ryan Dul - Start thinking of Nominations for April Meeting:
  - Executive Board
    - Secretary (1 position)
    - Vice President (1 position)
  - Steering Committee (5 positions)
  - Hall of Fame Committee (check website for expiring positions)
    - 2022 (2 positions)

Blaise Blasko- Frank Mihaelek donated through Blaise Blasko, a box of films from HS gymnastics in Illinois from the 1960's. He is wondering if we would like the films and potentially get them put to digital.  
 Doug Kieso has said he would be willing to digitize these film rolls  
 The association will accept the films and put them to digital copies

What is the proper channel for getting rules clarifications/questions etc? go through Doug Foerch, the chairman of the Rules Committee : [dfoerch@dist113.org](mailto:dfoerch@dist113.org)

## **Open Coaching Positions**

### **Head Coach Positions:**

All Filled

### **Assistant Coach Positions:**

Barrington (x2)	Contact Ryan Trostrud	Head Coach	<a href="mailto:rstrostrud@gmail.com">rstrostrud@gmail.com</a>
Glenbard North	Contact Dennis Wellman	Head Coach	<a href="mailto:dennis_wellman@glenbard.org">dennis_wellman@glenbard.org</a>

## **Invites & Meets:**

Looking to get in:

Have open spots/in need of teams:

## **Meeting Adjourn**

9:38pm Seconded CJ Patton