

April 2023 Steering Committee Meeting

April 17th @ 7pm Agenda/Minutes



Call To Order

7:05pm

In-Person

Jason Brandenburg	Frank Novakowski	Jeff Wronk	Blaise Blasko	Scott Philips
CJ Patton	Keith Mukai	Julian Basler	Jeff Levin	

Online

Howards Rubin	Ryan Dul	Bajek	Chris Stanicek	Ryan Brown
Carlos Fuentes	Z Crandall	Tom Huml	Beiersdorf	Brandon Tucker
Rachel Fischer	Greg Gebhardt	Alex Pajor	Don Raymond	Cordts
Abi Diaz	Steve Foerch	Greg Didech	Eric Harima	Adrian Batista
Sam Zeman	George Joseph	Luke Badger		

[Zoom Link](#)

Finances

Balance

- Current Balance: \$10,680.97
- Balance at this time last year: 9,108.78

Eligible Voters-

- In order to vote next month- a minimum of 3 meetings must be attended virtually (or one +clinic/in person) before the voting meeting in order to vote.

State of Gymnastics/Updates

- No official updates from the IHSA
 - June meeting will be a closed doors meeting.

- Spoke recently with David Smidl (former gymnast) and Dan Ribeiro (Univ. of Illinois Head Coach) about our situation
 - Asking if an exception can be made for us and piggyback on what the NCAA does
 - NCAA has an exception made for having a NCAA Championship despite having low numbers, since gymnastics is an Olympic sport
- We will need to meet to gather all of our testimonies/letters to present to the Board
- More articles in the Daily Herald
 - [3/22 Daily Herald Article](#)
 - [4/5 Daily Herald Article](#)
- Keith Mukai has been uploading testimonial videos onto YouTube and Instagram.
 - [Interview highlight clips](#)
 - [All individual video clips](#)
 - [Full interviews](#)
- CJ Patton made this [VIDEO](#). If you haven't seen it, you really need to.

2023 Season/Dates

Upcoming Dates

- IHSA list of participants was due earlier today
- Application due dates
 - IHSGCA- Due earlier (4/17) [IHSGCA Form](#)
 - John Brinkworth-April 20th [JOHN BRINKWORTH](#)
 - Senior Gymnast of the Year- due earlier (4/17) [SGOY](#)
- Sectionals Week May 1-5. [Assignments](#)
 - Please check with your gymnasts prior to your Sectional Meet to see if they will have any conflicts with the State Meet (ie. Nationals)
 - We cannot afford to have "empty" competition spots at the State Meet, as this also takes spectators out of the stands
 - State May 12-13. [Time Schedule](#)
 - Blaise: "This item is bigger than we realize. It can be a real sore spot at the IHSA if club gymnasts take qualifying spots without competing at the competition. It looks bad on us and we need the IHSA on our side at this moment"

John Brinkworth All-Star Meet

Looking/Waiting for a school to get approval to host the meet. Please reach out to Jason or anyone on the exec board if you want to host.

- Date: TBD
- Location: TBD
- Competitors: Based on Conference Meet standings

CONFERENCE REPS

- Please be sure to speak with your respective conference to determine the seniors available for the All-Star Meet and to create your line-ups based on your Conference Meets.

65th Reunion

- When: After the meet on Friday and Saturday

- Location: Main Event 2575 Pratum Ave Hoffman Estates
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Golf outing is for EVERYONE! COME OUT!

- Tee times start at 2:30
- Prizes will be offered for certain mini-games within
- Putting too!
- It's basically a 2 hour social before the HOF banquet!

Hall of Fame banquet: the building is being renovating

- Digital TV Hall of Fame with all pictures, no longer on the walls
- Pictures will returned to Hall of Fame members
- Not sure if it will be done by May Banquet

State Meet-

- Please bring your whole team if possible, whether your team/individual qualifies or not. We need to pack the gym!
- Get a bus and bring everyone. Both Friday AND Saturday.
- Conference reps, please help remind all teams to attend.
- HOF members will march in for state.
- Jeff Levin stressed how important to get people attend the state meet
- Continue to use social media to get people in the gym

Abi Diaz is using [this](#) video to spread the love and importance of gymnastics. This was made and edited by his gymnasts at Elk Grove

National Meet

- No response from our Association for volunteers after another email was sent out
- Email adrian Batista adrbat@d219.org if you are interested in attending/sponsoring

Nominations for Executive Board & IHSGCA Committees (must be made by full members/HOF members)

- Executive Board
 - Secretary (1) -
 - Vice-president (1) -
 - Steering Committee (5) -
- Rules Committee (5)
- Hall of Fame Committee (2)
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- Outstanding Press Coverage
- Special Recognition

Executive Board

Secretary (1 position available)

Candidate	Nominated By:	Seconded By:
Chris Lunsford	CJ Patton	Frank Novakowski

Luke Badger	Alex Pajor	CJ Patton
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Vice-President (1 position available)

Candidate	Nominated By:	Seconded By:
Alex Pajor	Jason Brandenburg	Julian Basler

Steering Committee (5 positions available)

Candidate	Nominated By:	Seconded By:
Keith Mukai	Adrian Batista	Frank Novakowski
Sam Zeman	Blaise Blasko	Frank Novakowski
Dan Bajek	Frank Novakowski	Jason Brandenburg
Frank Novakowski	Blaise Blasko	CJ Patton
Abi Diaz	Frank Novakowski	Jason Brandenburg
Carlos Fuentes	Jason Brandenburg	Frank Novakowski
George Joseph	Keith Mukai	Jason Brandenburg
Julian Basler	Blaise Blasko	Frank Novakowski
Zach Crandall	Blaise Blasko	Frank Novakowski
Chris Lunsford	CJ Patton	Jason Brandenburg

Rules Committee (5 positions available)

Candidate	Nominated By:	Seconded By:
Keith Mukai	Adrian Batista	Jeff Levin
Blaise Blasko	Jeff Levin	Frank Novakowski
Scott Haged	Frank Novakowski	CJ Patton
Bill Cordts	Frank Novakowski	Blaise Blasko
Greg Gebhardt	Frank Novakowski	Blaise Blasko
Brandon Tucker	Bill Cordts	Keith Mukai

Hall of Fame (2 positions available) Frank, Howie R, Scott P, Steve K.

Candidate	Nominated By:	Seconded By:
Mark Wanner	Sam Zeman	Bill Cordts

Greg Gebhardt	Scott Phillips	Julian Basler
Scott Hagel	Frank Novakowski	Blaise Blasko
Jeff Levin	Blaise Blasko	Bill Cordts
CJ Johnson	Julian Basler	Jeff Wronkiewicz
Steve Foerch	Frank Novakowski	Scott Phillips

Outstanding Press Coverage Award

Candidate	Nominated By:	Seconded By:
Dick Quagliano	Jason Brandenburg	Adrian Batista
Bill Stone	Sam Zeman	Jason Brandenburg
Dave Oberhelman	Jason Brandenburg	Blaise Blasko

Special Recognition

Candidate	Nominated By:	Seconded By:
Doug Keiso	Blaise Blasko	Jason Brandenburg
Joe Skoronski	Bill Cordts	Blaise Blasko
Eric Harima	Howie Ruben	Julian Basler
Tony Medina	Jason Brandenburg	CJ Patton
Terry Carr	Sam Zeman	Jason Brandenburg
Tom Livingston	Sam Zeman	Jason Brandenburg
Keith Mukai	Adrian Batista	Julian Basler
Betty Axelson	Jason Brandenburg	Sam Zeman
John Catalano	Ryan Dul	Jason Brandenburg
Tracie Henry	Julian Basler	Cj Patton
Greg Gebhardt	Bill Cordts	Jason Brandenburg
Bob Russel	Bill Cordts	Jeff Wronkiewicz
David Smidl	Jason Brandenburg	Blaise Blasko
Julian Basler	Jason Brandenburg	Jeff Wronkiewicz

Association Meetings-

- Monday, May 8, 2023 (voting)
- Monday, May 15, 2023 (HOF Banquet)

Proposal Discussion for April Assc. Meeting

☰ 2023 Rule Proposals Discussion

Fundraising

- Nothing at the given time

Judging

Judges needed

- [Russell judging assignments](#)
- [Gebhardt judging assignments](#)
- Make sure we are rating our officials after meets.
- Looking for judges 4/21/23 conference meet. frosh/jv 4/22

Novakowski: Judges need to be vigilant on the rules (vault catch out of a backuprise only, round off vault is not a vault, front toss to upper arm is not a skills)

For the good of the Membership/New Business:

Updates/News:

Open Coaching Positions

Head Coach Positions:

Assistant Coach Positions:

Continue the search for new coaches. Keep in touch with alumni for coaching and judging.

Meeting Adjourn

Time: 10:10

Second: Patton