

November Association Meeting

November 19h, 2024 @ 7:00pm

Lake Park HS East Campus

Agenda/Minutes



Tues. November, 19 · 7:00 – 9:00pm

Time zone: Chicago

Google Meet joining info: <https://meet.google.com/ykn-efqn-unt>

Call To Order: 7:05 pm

In-person: Chris, Frank, Blase, Vic, Dave Donaldson, Alex Pajor,

Virtual:

Adrian Batista, Bill Cordts, Paul Kim, Andrew Forech, Frank Erwin, Daniel Bajek, Tom Huml, Brian Bekkedal, Carlos Fuentes, Howie Rubin, Cameron Baumgartner, Ryan Dul, Scott Philips, CJ Johnson, Edna Lundeen, Andy Isaacson, Don Raymond, Ryan Brown, Greg Gebhardt

Balance

- Current Balance: 12,756.34
- Balance at this time last year: \$6,444

State of Gymnastics in IHSA

Tax status is good as a charitable organization (Fed IRS 990) and Illinois AG form. In Good Standing.

- List of teams competing this year - 26 - 29 teams (need Geneva, Lake Zurich, and Glenbrook South coaches' information) Dylan Kowatsch reach out about LZ having a competitor

- Lake Park
- Lake Zurich
- Stevenson
- Hoffman Estates
- Schaumburg
- Fremd
- Conant
- Palatine
- Hinsdale Central
- Glenbard West
- Glenbard North
- Wheaton Co-op
- Wbrook / AT Co-Op
- Leyden
- Glenbard East
- Glenbard South
- Lyons Township
- Downers Co-Op
- Evanston
- Glenbrook North

- Niles Co-Op
- Highland Park
- Deerfield
- Glenbrook South
- Naperville North
- Naperville Central
- Hinsdale South
- Kaneland
- Geneva

Conference Reps (as nominated at the 2023 Winter Clinic) As an emerging sport, bylaws must be followed, practicing schedules, competing club and HS at same time was allowed last year. That doesn't necessarily follow those bylaws. We will

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| ● CSL | Ryan Dul | rdul@glenbrook225.org |
| ● MSL | Chris Lunsford | u.s.s.christian17@gmail.com |
| ● WSC | Bill Cordts | bcordts@leyden212.org |
| ● Independent | Greg Gebhardt | greg.gebhardt@cusd200.org |

2024 Season/Dates

Upcoming Dates

- **Winter Clinic - Friday, Dec 13 at USGTC in LAKE ZURICH**
- **Judging Clinic at Lake Park HS East Campus February 8th, 2025**
 - **Another Potential Date - ???**
- **Season Starts Feb 17, 2025 (Week 33)**
- **Sectionals Week May 5 - 11, 2025 (Week 44)**
 - **Monday, May 5 at Glenbard West**
 - **Tuesday, May 6 — WE NEED A HOST SCHOOL **Potentially Hinsdale Central****
 - **Wednesday, May 7 at Lake Park**
- **Can previous host sectional schools share financial breakdowns to see breakdowns of meets.**
- **State Championship May 17, 2025 (Week 45)**
 - **At Hoffman Estates**

Below is a general calendar listing known Meets. Please comment if something is incorrect. Please use as a resource to avoid scheduling conflicts so our approved judges can make every Meet.

GYMNASTICS 2025 SCHEDULE

Association Meetings At Lake Park HS East Campus

- **Tuesday, 11/19/24**
- **Friday, 12/13/24 (Winter Clinic @ USGTC)**
- **Tuesday, 1/14/25**
- **Monday, 2/10/25**
- **Monday, 3/10/25**
- **Monday, 4/28/25**
- **Monday, 5/12/25 (Or Thursday 5/8 - No sectionals)**

Future Schedule Proposals (2025 and later)

It is the Steering Committee's stance that for the betterment of the sport, following the conclusion of the 2024/2025 season, all subsequent Boys Gymnastics Seasons should occur in the Fall, beginning in August of 2025. This is based on the approval of the Association to move the Boy's Gymnastics Sport to the Fall which was voted on in 2023.

Pending a decision to move competitive cheer to the Fall. If they move, it is unlikely we would. IHSA vote will not happen until anytime from December 2nd through December 16th.

- **WE ARE shifting entire season to the Fall 2025 -**
- **PROPOSED FALL 2025 SEASON Schedule**
- Week 1 August 11 - Season begins
- Week 10 October 13-18 - CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS
- Week 11 October 20-25 - SECTIONALS
- Week 12 October 27 - November 1 - STATE MEET **This is currently a 12 week season proposal, if it was made a 13 week season the state meet would take place on November 8, 2025**
 - [W Proposal to change Boys gymnastics 2025.docx](#)
- Current proposal puts the season at 12 weeks while previous years it has been a 13 week schedule.
 - Potential idea to push end date of season back to November 8th (no overlap, but end just before girls' season starts)
 - Would this affect coaching contracts?
- **Talk to your ADs to get an honest opinion on moving to the fall!**
 - **Idea is to have a potential fall season already to give them (draw spring season times into fall)**
- Glenbard West and Palatine are open to the possibility to host the State Meet
 - Hoffman could host during November 8th due to state Soccer
- MSL - Open to idea
- CSL - Open to idea
- WSC - Open to idea
- Independent - ???

Cons:

- Losing coaches

December Winter Clinic

- Friday, Dec. 13
- [2024 Winter Clinic Registration & Itinerary \(Association\)](#)
- Please fill out if you are planning on attending: [WINTER CLINIC ATTENDANCE FORM](#)
- Location: **USGTC in Lake Zurich**
- **Association Dues:** \$35 for Full Members, \$30 for Associate Members
treasurer@ihsgca.org
- **Clinic Fees/Association Fees**
 - Head Coaches: \$100 (\$35 w/o clinic)
 - Asst. Coaches: \$100 (\$35 w/o clinic)
 - Judges: \$100 (\$30 w/o clinic)
 - Assoc. Member: \$100 (\$30 w/o clinic)
 - HoF n/a

- **Agenda:**
 - 8:00 - 8:30 - Breakfast & Check-in
 - 8:30-10:30 - Association Meeting
 - 10:30-11:00- Rules Committee Presentation
 - 11:00-12:00-Guest Speaker: Andy Issacson (How to be the coach that every gymnast and parent wished they had)
 - 12:00-12:30 - Lunch & Break
 - 12:30-2:00 - Breakout Sessions
 - Stretching, conditioning, and keeping your athletes in shape
 - Routine construction
 - Mini Judging Clinic

We are aware many of you have obligations and will do our best to be done by 1:30pm. Please thank Julian Basler for offering his space for our Clinic.

Fundraising

- Looking for volunteers to form a Sponsorship committee. As an Association begin looking for sponsors for the State Meet. Local Companies. To make it easier for volunteer members, if individual Association members reach out to look for sponsors, a committee would be responsible more for logistical and organizational tasks such as creating the sponsorship decks, providing a receipt for a charitable donation, and organizing the inclusion of the company logos into a programs/onto the banner, rather than being responsible for finding and recruiting the sponsors themselves. This is an Association-wide call to action to begin looking for companies that would be interested in donating and sponsoring the State meet.
- Go Fund me: \$4,871 total donated. No new donations in 6 mos
- Make sure these companies are allowed to be shown at host State school.
- Potential idea to reach out to similar organizations (ie. gymnastics organizations)
 - USAG
 - Park Districts
 - Companies
 - Etc.

Judging

- Judges are required to have:
 - [Extended AAU membership](#) (renewal if necessary)
 - Annual Judge's Clinic Attendance requirement (every other year) **might make more sense to require every year. Builds legitimacy.**
 - More attendance = higher judging rating
 - Require people to supply proof of background check (Comes from AAU membership, Screenshot, Print-Out, Etc.) (More boxes to check = better relations with ADs)
 - **NFHS Concussion testing**
 - **Potential rules video every year**
- Judging Clinic - Dates available?
 - February 8th @ Lake Park

RULE BOOK

[2025-2028 Illinois HS Boys Gymnastics Rules Book](#)

For the good of the Membership/New Business:

- Conference reps to give an update on schools and their current state
 - CSL: Ryan Dul: Niles co -opped, no Maine schools, Unsure of Highland Park and Deerfield Co-op, Glenbrook South Coach "rumor has it is Steve Gale" Says Dul
 - MSL: All schools will keep the sport as long as there are enough athletes and similar amount of meets.
 - Barrington not coming back, If incoming freshman drops, Assistant coaches won't be retained. Schaumburg barely had 3 levels. According to superintendent - as long as the 5 211 schools #'s stay the same or get better, AND # of meets stay the same, 211 has no reason not to keep it. However, this superintendent is retiring this year.
 - WSC: Downers is co-opping, York has dropped, AT and Willowbrook has co-op, Hinsdale South may have issues if the sport moves to the Fall. No talk of HC co-oping with H South. The Board members do not believe in co-opping. HC and HS will stick around as long as their numbers stick around. LT moving to North campus for 2 years (back to South gym after construction is over)
 - Independent: Lost Libertyville and all other schools are all staying.
 - The Naperville school district will now move from athletics to activities, but both schools will keep programs.

Updates/News:

Open Coaching Positions

Head Coach Positions:

Assistant Coach Positions: Potentially Gbrook south

Meeting Adjourn 8:29 PM