

# May 2026 Association

## Meeting - <https://meet.google.com/hnd-wgvg-egr>

May 11, 2026



### Call To Order: 7:04 pm

**Attendance Online:** Andy Isaacson, Steve Forech, Keith Mukai, Edward Hwang, Christian Lunsford, Andrew Arnold, Pratik Patel, Donald Raymond, Tony Ciezadlo, Carlos Fuentes, Howard Rubin, Daniel Bajek, Ryan Dul, Frank Erwin, Paul Kim, Sam Zeman, Jason Brandenburg, Greg Gebhardt, Dylan Gnat, Eric Harima, Bill Cordts, Luke Badger

**In person:** Adrian Batista, Frank Novakowski, Hilary Carlson, CJ Patton, Scott Phillips, Nick Maniscalco, Jeff Wronkiewicz, Blaise Blasko

**THANK YOU ALL SECTIONAL HOSTS! THANK YOU FOR HELPING KEEP THE SPORT ALIVE!**

### Balance

- Current Balance: \$ 19,064.50

- Please reach out to teams and parents for the gofundme

## IHSGCA State Meet:

### [2026 Scores](#)

- **State Championship** May 16, 2026 (Week 45) **Hoffman Estates.**

#### **Team Rotations - Decided at this meeting**

#### **☰ 2026 IHSGCA Boys State Final Gymnastics Schedule**

- **Arrival 8:30am.**
- **9:00am IHSGCA Awards**
- **10:00 am warm ups**
- **12:10 Parade of Gymnasts**
- **12:20 IHSGCA Award Announcements**
- **12:30 IHSGCA State begins**
- **Awards upon completion of the meet**

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## Hall of Fame Banquet and Golf

- **Hall of Fame Banquet, Monday May 18th, 6:30pm, Gary Morava Center, Prospect Heights**
  - **1st, 2nd, 3rd place teams receive plaque from IHSGCA**
  - **Handing over of the gavel to new president**
  - **Hall of Fame recognition and speeches**

- Conclusion of the 2026 IHSGCA Boys Gymnastics Season
  - [Golf Outing Sign Up](#)
    - Old Orchard Country Club, tee times 3:00 pm (May 18th)
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## Voting

*2 in-person meetings; or 1 in-person, 2 virtual; or 3 virtual*

**Google Form to all eligible voters will be shared during the meeting.**

### Nominations

**Secretary: vote for 1**

Nominated:	Nominated By:	Seconded:
<b>Dan Bajek</b>	Blaise Blasko	Adrian Batista
Andrew Arnold	CJ Patton	Christian Lunsford
Joon Yun	CJ Patton	Blaise Blasko

**Treasurer: Dylan Gnat**

**Vice President: vote for 1**

Nominated:	Nominated By:	Seconded:
<b>Christian Lunsford</b>	Adrian Batista	Frank Novakowski
Nicholas Maniscalco	Lukas Styczen	Christian Lunsford

**President: vote for 1**

Nominated:	Nominated By:	Seconded:
<b>Jeff Wronkiewicz</b>	Lukas Styczen	Adrian Batista

**Steering Committee (5 on Steering Committee (Not Already on Executive Board)): vote for 5**

Nominated:	Nominated By:	Seconded:
Nicholas Maniscalco	CJ Patton	Christian Lunsford

Frank Erwin	Blaise Blasko	CJ Patton
Jeff Wronkiewicz	Lukas Styczen	Nicholas Maniscalco
<b>Joon Yun</b>	Christian Lunsford	Lukas Styczen
Jason Brandenburg	Jeff Wronkiewicz	CJ Patton
<b>Adrian Batista</b>	CJ Patton	Christian Lunsford
<b>Carlos Fuentes</b>	Christian Lunsford	CJ Patton
<b>Frank Novakowski</b>	Adrian Batista	Christian Lunsford
Christian Stanicek	Adrian Batista	Christian Lunsford
<b>Pratik Patel</b>	CJ Patton	Adrian Batista
Payton Hultmark	Dylan Gnat	Adrian Batista

**Hall of Fame (2 Positions to Fill): vote for 2**

<b>Nominated:</b>	<b>Nominated By:</b>	<b>Seconded:</b>
<b>Greg Gebhardt</b>	Frank Novakowski	Blaise Blasko
<b>Scott Hagel</b>	Christian Lunsford	Scott Phillips
Howie Rubin	Scott Phillips	Blaise Blasko
Bruce Beiersdorf	Andy Isaacson	Frank Novakowski
Steve Foerch	Blaise Blasko	Adrian Batista

**Outstanding Official of the Year: vote for 1**

<b>Nominated:</b>	<b>Nominated By:</b>	<b>Seconded:</b>
Joe Skowronski	Adrian Batista	Christian Lunsford
Randy Gentile	Jeff Wronkiewicz	Steve Foerch
Scott Hagel	Christian Lunsford	Adrian Batista
Lora Kalka	Blaise Blasko	CJ Patton
Frank Novakowski	CJ Patton	Christian Lunsford
Hilary Carlson	Blaise Blasko	Steve Foerch
Alex Pajor	Lukas Styczen	Jeff Wronkiewicz

Ryan Dul - Glenbrook North
Andrew Arnold-Palatine
Jason Brandenburg-Fremd
Chris Stanicek - Naperville North
Dennis Wellman - Glenbard North
Andy Isaacson (AT/Willowbrook Co-op)
Julian Basler (voted by CJ/seconded by Jeff W)
Tony Ciezadlo (voted by Frank/seconded by Andy)

### Rule Proposal Voting

**THERE WILL BE NO DISCUSSION ON THESE ITEMS. 1 pro and 1 con only.**

- DENIED** – ~~On the JV/Varsity level a ring routine may begin in the support position. The coach will be allowed to lift the athlete up to the rings and assist him up to a support position to begin.~~

<b>Pro:</b> Eliminates a .5 deduction that a gymnast would receive from being spotted	<b>Con:</b> Devalues working on a muscle up, back uprise, swinging skills to get into support
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- ~~**DENIED** – A felge (bird up) to support L or straddle L will be a B skill and meets the requirement for swing to strength. Element Group III~~

<b>Pro:</b> Lead up to higher level skills such as a shoot action	<b>Con:</b> We would not be seeing traditional swing to strength skills such as front uprise L or kip L (this would be the go to skill instead)
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- PASSED** = PB - Include a layaway with the half swing currently permitted for a bail moy or giant.

<b>Pro:</b> Permits half swing to help with routine development	<b>Con:</b> Different from FIG
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- PASSED** = Change these vault values to the following:

- Front Handspring 1/1 twist from a 7.4 to an 8.6
- Front Handspring 3/2 twist from a 7.9 to an 8.8
- Front Handspring 2/1 twist from an 8.5 to a 9.0
- 1/4-1/4, round off, or 1/2 from a 6.7 to a 7.0
- Front Handspring 1/2 twist from a 7.2 to a 7.6
- 1/4 on 3/4 off from a 7.2 to a 7.6
- 1/4 on 5/4 off from a 7.4 to a 8.0

<b>Pro:</b> Allows non-flipping vaults to be a little more competitive	<b>Con:</b> Decreases separation between non-flipping and flipping vaults
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5. **PASSED** = The Rules Committee will evaluate up to 5 new rule interpretations, including adding skills, values, and other ways to best support and improve high school gymnastics. The Steering Committee will approve or deny rule changes upon review. (Coaches input would be welcome, including philosophical changes such as repeating skills for credit, adding a skill for an element group and even reviewing the new FIG to see how it may support our routines)

<b>Pro:</b> Encourages reflection	<b>Con:</b> We have a system in place already for rules changes and changes number of yes votes to pass
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# Hall of Fame

Hall of Fame: Congratulations to Al Bekkedal and Paul Omi for being selected for 2026!! AND Paul Blasko who was nominated in 2025, but will be honored at the 2026 banquet.

## Future Meetings:

**We will offer in person at Lake Park HS for ALL remaining IHSGCA meetings.**

(Virtual will still be available as voted at Spring Clinic)

### Association Meetings-

- ~~May 11th, 7pm @ Lake Park HS & Virtual Depending on Sectional Dates.~~
- May 18th, 6:30 pm, Hall of Fame Banquet, Morava Center.

## 2025-2028 Rule Book

**Condensed Rule book (all in one)** (PDF attached from email about this meeting). Thank you Ryan Brown

 [2025-2028 IHSGCA FIG\(Jan2018update\) Combined English only Rulebook.pdf](#)

## Fundraising

- Please continue to promote our GoFundMe

- GoFundMe link



## **For the good of the Membership/New Business:**

- Please nominate gymnasts for the John Brinkworth Scholarship in the future. No nominations were sent in this year.
- Teams who qualified to State please send team photo, roster, win/loss record, and head coach photo to Christian Lunsford by tomorrow. This is for the state program. It will be free and have a QR code at State
  - [u.s.s.christian17@gmail.com](mailto:u.s.s.christian17@gmail.com)
- District 211 is struggling to get first year gymnasts to come out for gymnastics. Can we encourage to have a frosh/soph state meet to make it more appealing for first year athletes to come out?
- Few schools do fall open gyms about two days a week to help with recruitment. Schools can work and talk and work together to hopefully get more schools to have open gyms.
- Is there a way to have lower level coaches come together whether at the Spring Clinic or at a different time about how to develop their team, spotting, coaching skills, etc.?
- Summer IHSGCA open gym at a school?
- Thank you to Adrian for his role as president for this year!

## **Special Olympics June 12,13,14th, Illinois State University.**

### **Updates/News:**

- 2027-Please recommend athletes for scholarships...

## **Meeting Adjourn – 8:28 pm**