

GAT Agenda

2019

Meeting Started at 6:55

- 1) Terry Spoke about AAI Equipment
- 2) Brief President's Address
 - a. State Meet
 - b. Schools dropping programs
- 3) Financial Report
- 4) Boy's Nationals report- Travis Coulbourn
- 5) Girl's Nationals report-Candice Vincent

Voting item 1

VIII. AMENDMENTS 1. PROPOSALS/RATIFICATION—This document may be amended at any regular meeting of the Association by a vote of the members present and voting as stated under section IV.4. of the Constitution. The proposed amendment shall be submitted to the Secretary at least thirty (30) days preceding a regular meeting and distributed to members at least fifteen days prior to the meeting.

CHANGE TO:

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Rationale: We only have one meeting per year. It is sometimes necessary to bring new business to the meeting. The majority vote required to discuss is to prevent frivolous items. If passed, will be enacted immediately.

Call to Vote: PASS 34 to 0

Voting item 2

III. 8. A. MEETS—Each high school registered with the THSGCA must compete a dual or multi-school meet schedule consisting of a minimum of five (5) meets for team and three(3) for individual, not including Districts or Regionals. (GAT 2017). It is the coaches' responsibility to control the actions of their parents while at meets. It is the meet host's responsibility to keep parents/spectators off the competition floor for the safety of all athletes and officials. It is mandatory to submit your meet schedule to the webmaster by November 15th as part of the registration process.

CHANGE TO:

MEETS—Each high school registered with the THSGCA must compete a dual or multi-school meet schedule consisting of a minimum of five (5) meets for team and **one (1) for individual**, not including Districts or Regionals. **A high school with only one or two athletes, must still compete in at least 3 meets.** (GAT 2017). It

is mandatory to submit your meet schedule to the webmaster by November 15th as part of the registration process.

Along with this, change the waiver policy to:

C. WAIVERS— All gymnasts at the district, regional, or state meet must have competed in at least one school meets. The only exception is injured gymnasts. Waiver Process - Coaches will submit a meet waiver for any athlete who has not competed in at least 1 meet during the regular competition season. Waivers must be submitted to the Games Committee to be reviewed for approval or denial. Appeals must include documentation of injury: date, specifics of injury, and medical release. Appeals to Games Committee decision will go before the State Executive Committee for final decision. Instructions are posted on the website under Member Services>>Post Season Forms.

Rationale: this rule is antiquated, no other sport has such a requirement, the waiver process for ineligible athletes creates FERPA issues. The parent clause is misplaced and repeated in another part of the constitution.

If vote fails, 3 meet rule remains in place as is.

Discussion: only injury not eligible.

Call to Vote: PASS 24 to 7

Voting Item 3

8. REGIONAL QUALIFIERS TO STATE A. INDIVIDUAL 1) Each region will qualify their ten (10) highest scoring individual event finishers and their ten (10) highest scoring All Around finishers . (GAT 2018)

Also:

Page 22-I.8.C. ADDITIONAL AWARD QUALIFIERS—Individuals that qualify to Regional and State with a team are eligible for individual and All Around Awards. However, all gymnasts competing in all events are eligible to enter the All Around competition. If more than two AA's in the top 10 are from the same team, then the next AA not on one of the state qualifying teams that meets the qualifying score, will be awarded and recognized on the stand and qualify to state (maximum of 2). These rules also apply in All Around qualifiers from Districts to Regionals.

CHANGE TO:

8. REGIONAL QUALIFIERS TO STATE A. INDIVIDUAL 1) Each region will qualify their ten (10) highest scoring individual event finishers **that score at, or above, the qualifying score,** and their ten (10) highest scoring All Around finishers, **regardless of score. All gymnasts competing in all events (4 for girls, 6 for boys) are eligible to enter the All Around competition. If more than two AA's in the top 10 are from the same team, then the next AA's that meet the qualifying score and not on one of the state qualifying teams, will be recognized on the stand and qualify to state. (no maximum)**

C. ADDITIONAL AWARD QUALIFIERS—Individuals that qualify to Regional and State with a team are eligible for individual and All Around Awards. However, all gymnasts competing in all events (4 for girls, 6 for boys) are eligible to enter the All Around competition. If more than two AA's in the top 10 are from the same team, then the next AA not on one of the state qualifying teams that meets the qualifying score, will be (removes words "awarded and") recognized on the stand and qualify to state. **(Removes the maximum of 2 statement)** These rules also apply in All Around qualifiers from Districts to Regionals.

Discussion: Constitution reads there isn't a qualifying score for all-around.

Call to Vote: PASS 28 to 0

Voting Item 4

Change the State Meet host contract and expectations:

Currently stated:

Purchase all medals and twelve team trophies. THSGCA provides these trophies

CHANGE TO:

The THSGCA will provide the medals and twelve team trophies, using the standard medals and standard UIL style trophies.

Discussion: who decides what the trophy will look like and where they will be purchased. State meet host will not be responsible for ordering them.

Call to Vote: PASS 27 to 0

Voting Item 5

Alter the commitment form to remove district meet.

Discussion: Would the due date change? No.

Call to Vote: PASS 31-0

Voting Item 6

Constitution item II. 2. C.

MEET LENGTH—The Championship Meet shall be conducted on two consecutive days. (2 day format approved GAT 2012-for 4 years)

Vote to maintain the 2 day meet format.

Option A- maintain 2 day format in to perpetuity.

Option B- return to a 3 day meet with finals.

Call to Vote: Option A PASS 27 to 5

Voting Item 7

Vote to continue to use the Meet Center scoring system.

Discussion: Advertisements, Server, live scoring turned off, AA results only show AA.

Call to Vote: PASS 29 to 0

Voting Item 8

Trinity High School bid to host the 2020 State meet on April 24-25, 2020

Discussion: Move to May 1st and 2nd due to state level 7 meet in Plano we would have trouble finding women judges.

Call to Vote: PASS 29 to 0

Voting Item 9

Elections:

Vice President for Women:

Becky Shaw

Secretary

Jennifer Holden

Treasurer

Courtney Yancey

Christopher Muenz

Voting Item 10

Create a Rules Violations Committee

- 1) Specify consequences for rules violations, rather than take them on a case by case basis.
 - a. Majority to vote;

The THSGCA body authorizes the THSGCA Executive Body to construct a committee that will examine and enforce consequences of any rule violations throughout the season. The committee will consist of at least 3 former high school gymnastics coaches.

Call to Vote: PASS 32 to 0

Voting Item 11

Alter the wording on national team selection:

- 2) The Committee will meet after team competition at the State Meet to consider gymnasts to compete in the National High School Gymnastics Meet. The selection will be based on their all-around and individual event performances throughout the year, as well as their State performance. Only optional scores will be used. The National Team Selection will not exceed the number allowed by NHSGCA. Seniors eligible to be considered for the National Team must submit the National Team form signed by the gymnast and their parent to the Vice-President by the district meet.

Call to Vote: PASS 26 to 0

Discussion items

- 1) Super Regionals-probably coming in 2021
 - a. Two different proposals
 - i. Two super-regional meets
 1. Rotating combination-regions 1 and 2, and at the other meet 3 and 4. Top six teams qualify for state. Individuals still needs to be worked out, either top 20 individuals, or just announce the individuals as their normal regions.
 2. Rather than combine regions, go by the rankings,
 - a. Area A meet-1,3, 5, 7, etc
 - b. Area B meet- 2, 4, 6, 8, etc
 - c. Still top six from each qualify
 - ii. Three meets- by rankings
 1. If we go with rankings, if you're hosting the meet, you stay at your meet and compete there, no matter of ranking.
- 2) State meet workout day-suggested that we break it up somehow, separate time frames for each region, or two regions at a time
- 3) Create an endowment for new or struggling teams
 - a. Charge each athlete \$10, generating approximately \$9000 per year
- 4) Use that money to help new or struggling teams with travel, uniforms, equipment, or other things as approved by the board
- 5) New Business or other items of discussion
 - a. THSGCA Picture ID logo with year
 - b. Boys High bar pirouette bonus there was a deduction taken even if it was above 45 degrees it is not a deduction above 45 degrees
 - c. Girls- changes fall time for beam is now 45 seconds. Extra swing is .3 and max of .6 but now it is .5 max.
 - d. Travis Blue- assigning men's judges. Check judges website for your meets.
 - e. 2021 state meet host is in Region 3. Summer meeting will be in.....

Meeting ended 8:43