

To: THSGCA Men's Rules Committee
From: Kevin Muenz - VP-Men
RE: Protocol For State Judges Selection

The following guidelines will be used to select the judges.

The philosophy of this procedure is to secure the best possible officials available to judge our State Meet so that our teams and athletes can be evaluated reliable and objectively without bias or prejudice.

Procedure for Selecting the Men's Judges at the HS State Meet

Preliminary Contact

The THSGCA VP-Men will contact the TGJA Liaison immediately after the last NGJA National Judging Course with an official request for officials to judge the State Meet. The VP will provide preliminary meet information and a commitment form for the Liaison to send to all eligible judges.

All interested judges are instructed to fill out the forms (electronically) and return to the THSGCA VP-Men. The VP will then provide a list of all interested judges to the RC's and Assistant RC's.

During the sign up process each Regional Chair and Assistant RC, as well as any member of the THSGCA, are encouraged to solicit judges to sign up.

Nominations

As per THSGCA R&P, each RC will canvass the coaches in their region to determine what judges they would like to see at the State Meet. Judges nominated must have filled out a commitment form. Judges do not have to be from a specific geographic location to be nominated by a region.

Conference Call Members

A conference call will be scheduled by the VP in order to nominate, discuss and elect the men's judges for the State Meet.

The conference call members will consist of:

President:		(Voice - no vote)
Vice President:	Chairman	(Voice-vote on ties)
Judging Liaison:	Member	(Voice-Vote)
4 Regional Chairpersons	Members	(Voice-Vote)
4 Regional Reps	Members	(Voice-Vote)

The VP will chair the meeting and is responsible for setting time limits on discussion items, calling the vote, and any other procedural matters, following Roberts Rules of Order. The VP will have a voice in all discussion items.

In the event a conference call member can not attend the session the following rules shall apply:

The VP will be replaced by the THSCGA President as the meeting
Chairman
Additional members will not be replaced and need to be present to vote.

Nominations

Each RC will nominate 3 judges from the list of available judges using the following procedure:

The region hosting the State Meet will start the selection process. They will be followed by the next region in order until 12 judges have been nominated. There will be no discussion of judges during this part of the procedures. Judging Alternates will not be chosen or discussed at this time.

Discussion and Election

Following the nominations each judge will be discussed and voted on starting with the region hosting the State Meet. After the first candidate has been discussed and voted the next candidate will follow until all 12 judges have been selected. **All discussion items will be kept confidential.**

The discussion protocol will be:

Discussion of Candidates

Call for the Vote by each RC (simple majority to elect)

All Ties Broken by THSGCA -Men's VP

Alternates

Alternates to judge the State Meet will be chosen after the 12 judges have been selected.

4 alternates will be chosen from the remaining list of candidates using the same nomination, discussion and election procedure as above.

Judging Panels

Judging panels will be decided by the selection committee using the following procedure:

Head Judges will be selected first using the following criteria:

Current experience and rating as a judge

Experience as Head Judge at State Meet

Experience Judging at State Meet

2nd Judge will be selected using the following criteria:

Judging experience at each event

Post Election

After the Judges have been selected:

TGJA Liaison will notify judges with their assignments

VP will notify State Meet Host with names and info

TGJA Liaison will post names on TGJA Website.

Alternates will be contacted by the TGJA Liaison in their rank order, in the event one or more of the selected judges can not judge the meet