

Board Meeting at Gat

Friday, September 3rd, 2021

6:00 PM

President, Sean Sims- PRESENT
Executive Director, Todd Vesley- ABSENT
Asst. Executive Dir., Mark Sherman- ABSENT
Boys VP, Travis Coulbourn- PRESENT
Girls VP, Becky Smith- PRESENT
Secretary, Jennifer Holden- PRESENT
Treasurer, Chris Muenz- PRESENT
Historian, Gregg Larimer- PRESENT
Parliamentarian, Jimmy Averitte- ABSENT
Webmaster, Jared Whiles- PRESENT
Region 1, Kevin Muenz- PRESENT
Region 1, Stephanie Tyson- PRESENT
Region 2, Justin James- PRESENT
Region 2, Cali Currie- PRESENT
Region 3, Kern Arrott- PRESENT
Region 3, Tony Walker- PRESENT
Region 4, Courtney Parker- PRESENT
Region 4, Jeff Garmon- Present

2021 GAT Agenda

1) Brief President's Address-

- Congrats to state champions
- Schools are dropping gymnastics
- Social media- Positive messages out in the community
- Have your gymnasts parents give positive feedback to admin
- Community outreach, example toy drives

2) Financial Report-

- \$65,703 current balance
 - 2021 Expenses
 - Team fees \$12, 570
 - Expenses: Judges and board members \$3,700

- State Trophies \$600
- Girls Nationals \$1300
- Assigning fees \$346
- Scholarships \$2,000
- Website \$105.53
- Summer Meeting \$346.32

3) Janet Cochran National Team Liaison and Stephanie Tyson Girl's Nationals report- It's a fun meet, it is great recognition, it could be their last meet, it's like a club meet and if the coach can't go but the athlete wants to go why can't they go. The parents take them and the other Texas coaches can help.

4) Years of service recognition

- Edgar Castro 10 Years
- Dustin Conniff 10 Years
- Jennifer Holden 15 years
- Omar Loya 15 Years
- Becky Smith 20 Years
- Eric Briley 25 Years
- Debbie Williams 45 Years

Over 30 years

- Kristin Schumacher
- Tony Walker 33
- Tony Gonzelas 35
- Kevin Muenz 39
- Mark Sherman 42

5) New program committee-Briley/James

- Help athletes compete for their high school
- Gymnastics has been apart for over 50 years

-Start a club at your high school and find a full time employee to serve as a sponsor

Voting item 1

Men's Item-Remove "state rating" from the men's judges prerequisite for judging the regional and state championships.

Page 22 I. 9. B. and page 26 III. 3. F. Men's judges must have a current International, National, or State judging rating.

-Discussion it's a beginner level

Call to Vote: 10 to 0 Passed

Voting item 2 (two parts)

1) Adjust state meet rotation schedule that was altered due to Covid cancellation of 2019 State Championships.

Page 23 II. B. Change "beginning in year 2017" to "beginning in year 2022"

Call to Vote: 21-0 Passed

2) Adjust starting event selection years also to reflect Covid cancellation of 2019 State Championships, and add to constitution, rather than only in Men's Rules.

State Meet Team Seeding Process: Day One – Compulsory Competition

a. Each Regional Team Champion will select the event they start on for the compulsory competition at the State Meet.

b. The selection will rotate as follows:

1. 2022 – R4, then R1, then R2, then R3

2. 2023 – R1, then R2, then R3, then R4
 3. 2024 – R2, then R3, then R4, then R1
 4. 2025 – R3, then R4, then R1, then R2
- c. Regional Runner-ups (2nd place) will pick next, in the same order.
 - d. Regional 3rd place will pick after the regional runner-ups, in the same order.
 - e. At large teams will pick last based on their regional team score.
 - f. Tie Breaking Procedure: If there are ties in any of the above situations then the team with the highest combined event score will pick first.

Discussion: Amend A to add. The team may choose any open event in any flight.

Call to Vote: 21-0 Passed

Voting item 3

Vote to continue the contract with AAI as our official equipment supplier for State and Regional Championships.

No changes to contract. They will continue to supply our state and regional meets as needed. (a reminder- if you don't truly need the equipment for your regional meet, don't request it.)

Call to Vote: 29 to 0 Passes

Voting Item 4

Continue to use the Meet Center scoring system designed and maintained by Jared Whiles.

This is an annual vote.

Discussion:

-Archive past takes 20 hours. Would like per diem to spend the time to archive past meets.

-Also, it's been 5 years since we contracted Jared and now either party can renegotiate terms of contract.

-How can we keep it running during the state meet?

Call to Vote: 31 to 0 Passed

Voting Item 5

2022 State Championships date and host

Date:

1) April 15-16

2) April 22-23

Call to Vote: 8 to 22; Passed April 22-23

Location:

1) Proposal to switch years, Region I host 2022, Region 3 host 2023, El Paso Bel Air has right of first refusal.

2) Host bids for 2022

a. Rockwall HS

b. _____

Discussion:

-Conflicts for coaches that judge

-Conflicts for athletes

-On men's side it could give more an opportunity to go to NCAA. NCAA is hurting and we need to support them.

-Can we have a meet during the week?

Call to Vote: 24 to 0; Rockwall to Host

Call to Vote: 26 to 0; El Paso to host

Voting Item 7

Approve changes to men's rules made by the men's rules committee. (vote by coaches of men only)

Call to Vote: 15 to 0; Passed

Voting Item 8

Approve changes to women's rules made by the women's rules committee. (vote by coaches of women only)

Call to Vote: 17 to 0; Passed

Elections:

President:

Sean Sims

Call to Vote: 31 to 0; Passed

Vice President for Women:

Becky Smith

Call to Vote: 31 to 0; Passed

Secretary

Casey Warner

Call to Vote: 31 to 0; Passed

Treasurer:

Christopher Muenz

Call to Vote: 31 to 0; Passed

Discussion items

1) New Business or other items of discussion

2) Finals are fun and getting to enjoy the moment with your athlete.

-Discussion:

-They can throw skills they typically don't get too because they are doing routines to score well for the team.

-If we do finals, will we have a new life or accumulative scores?

Call to Vote: 22 to 4 Passed to bring finals back to the state meet

-If we do finals, will we have a new life or accumulative scores?

-Milan always said, State champion is over three days.

-New life top 10, same playing field, no bias for which rotation or team you rotated with, 4 judges.

-3 days in a row deserves a championship. 1 day after having 2 good days then one bad at finals and lose it all.

-Judge all three days

-Option 1: New Life

-Option 2: 3 Day Combined total

Call to Vote for Option 1: 15 to 16 Failed.

Option 2: 3 day combined score PASSED.

-Call to motion to pay Jared per diem to archive scores from past years.

Call to Vote: 25 to 0 Passed

-Call to motion to give Jared a raise to run our meet scoring system.

Call to Vote: 11 to 0

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