

2026 G.A.T Meeting

6:00pm

Brief President's address:

- Congrats to state champions
Round Rock men
L. D. Bell ladies

- Social media- Positive messages out in the community
- **Have your gymnasts parents give positive feedback to admin**
- Community outreach, example toy drives, food drives, anything that puts your name out there in a positive light
- Don't just think you know the rules. FIND OUT. If you have any questions, consult the constitution, ask your RC's, ask your VP, ask me. Talk to your AD. And if your AD says it does not matter, you're not UIL...they are wrong. We still have to follow the rules of the constitution and/or the UIL. Go to the UIL mandated coaches meeting. I guarantee your district has one. They go over things you may not be aware of.

Nationals Reports

Brandon Cook/ Cameron Sweny:

- They had a great time. They are financially substantial and the only cost to the association is \$500. The competition they attend is looking to expand the competition for other high schools.

Becky Smith

- They had a great time. They had 7 girls attend, 3rd place team finish. Also, 3 athletes made finals. They will be restructuring the competition into 2 divisions this year.

GymACT-THSGCA opportunity- Ryan Maskel

Visit from USAG Men's State Chair Michael Pena about an opportunity for new programs

Social media update

SEND BRYAN STUFF!

Fundraising committee report- Todd Vesley, Mark Sherman, Jay Pershin, Bryan Moss

Key Notes:

- Everyone needs to participate

Bryan:

- Random Draw: Partnered with SchoolFundr
 - Raised \$900 last year
 - Each coach got an email
 - Share the Link (Social Media, Text, Post everywhere)

Jay:

- Survey was sent out to the entire association
 - Individual expertises/interest in areas your willing to help

Mark:

- Everyone can see the money is going out quickly and not enough coming in.
- **Car Wash: Sept. 19th or Sept. 26th**
 - 100% Gross Revenue
 - All funds will be sent to Chris Muenz and then 20% of each schools earnings will be given back to them
 - 2nd Place 50% earnings go to THSGCA and 50% earnings go back to the school
 - 1st Place 20% earnings go to THSGCA and 80% earnings go back to the school
 - Post pictures, Have Fun, Raise money for THSGCA
- Meet Entry:
 - Each Region to designate a competition that the entry fees will be donated to the association

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Treasurers report- Chris Muenz

- **Start of 2025: \$37,800**
- **Start of 2026: \$25,000**
 - Total Paid/Expenses: \$30,000
 - Total Revenue Brought In: \$17,000
 - Restock in Regional/State Medals (\$7000)
 - Executives/Judges: \$6,000
 - Women's Nationals (Officials Travel): Approximately \$1,000–\$1,200 to fly out two officials
 - Men's Nationals: \$500
 - Women's Assigning: \$1,300
 - Assigning Paid in Advance: \$750
 - Scholarships already paid: \$3,000
 - Remaining scholarships: To be paid once recipients provide the required proof of completion.
 - THSGCA is now officially registered again as a 501(c)(3)

Voting Item #1: Coaches Dress Code

Put the dress code back into the constitution. It used to be in there, now it just says we follow USAG dress code. But we don't entirely do that on the men's side. And, for some people, the USAG dress code is not the easiest thing to find. **Coaches of Men-Coach's Professional Attire** - (Violators will be asked to leave the field of play) The following coach's professional attire is required at all competitive sessions, scheduled warm up sessions and event training sessions.

- A. Closed toe shoes, no sandals
- B. Slacks, Warm-up pants or hemmed "dress" shorts (No Denim or "Cargo Style"- defined as having large flap pockets with a button or snap closure on the front and/or side of the thigh)
- C. Collared shirts
- D. No hats
- E. No backpacks or string bags while spotting

Coaches of Women-

Coach's Professional Attire - (Violators will be asked to leave the field of play) The following coach's professional attire is required at all competitive sessions, scheduled warm up sessions and event training sessions.

- A. Athletic shoes with rubberized soles
- B. Pants
 - a. Athletic warm-up style
 - b. Docker-style
 - c. Athletic/tailored shorts of reasonable length
- C. Shirts
 - a. Collared
 - b. Business casual
 - c. T-shirts (with or without gym logo)
- D. Inappropriate attire
 - a. NO clothing with holes or tears
 - b. NO jeans
 - c. NO short shorts
 - d. NO spaghetti strap shirts
 - e. NO low-cut shirts
 - f. NO midriff/undergarment revealing shirts

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g. NO hats or visors

Discussion: None

PASSED: 32-0

Voting Item #2: Officer Positions held

Due to conflicts of interest in leadership structure:

- * The Executive Director and Assistant Executive Director may not hold any other positions in the Association.
- * The President and Vice Presidents of the THSGCA may not also hold a position of a Regional Chair.
- * The Secretary and Parliamentarian positions may not be held by the same person.
- Any officer holding multiple positions is only allowed one vote in any given Meeting.

Discussion:

- This change would allow individuals to serve in more than two positions, unless they fall under one of the conflicts noted above, due to the decrease in number of coaches to do the position

PASSED: 28-0

Voting Item # 3: State meet warm up gym warm up times

Times in the warm up gym will be as follows:

Compulsory day- 10 minutes minimum

Optional day- 12 minutes minimum

Unless there are IQs making any group larger than six. If there are groups larger than six, find the largest group and add the proper amount of time to the overall times, one minute per athlete on compulsory day, two minutes per athlete on optional day.

Discussion: None

PASSED: 29-0

Voting Item #4: State meet host responsibilities

The state meet host will be invoiced for the price of the medals and trophies provided by the association.

Discussion:

- **Trophies:** Approximately \$1,200. Discussed at the summer meeting the option of making 2nd–6th place trophies all the same size
- **Medals:** Approximately \$7,000 every three years for Regional/State medals, averaging approximately \$2,500 annually

PASSED: 27-1

Voting Item #5: Bill schools for the assigning fees

At the conclusion of the season, the THSGCA will invoice each school for the cost of the assigning fees for officials, if the assigning directors are used. This will include middle school/junior high judges

Discussion:

- School Tracking: Bonnie maintains a spreadsheet of schools currently using the service.
- Cost Savings: This option would help reduce expenses for the association.

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- Fee: Association pays a flat \$500 fee to the Men's Assigner.

PASSED: 31-0

Voting Item #6: Equipment for State Championships

- a. Eddie Smith, of UAI, has informed me that he cannot provide equipment for the State meet free of charge again this year.
- i. Presentation from Eddie Smith
- ii. Presentation from Debbie Heusi and Bradley Jackson of TTC

– PROPOSALS IN A PDF DOCUMENT–

– BOARD WILL HAVE MTG DISCUSSING THE PROPOSALS AND DECIDE–

Voting Item #7: Scholarship wording

- a. Add the words, "This is a one time only scholarship, paid one time. It is non-renewable."
- i. Added to all three scholarships.

Discussion: None

PASSED: 29-0

Voting Item #8: State meet entry fee

Increase state meet entry fee to \$400 per team.
Plan to increase to \$450 the year after, and \$500 the year after.

Discussion:

- State Meet Expenses: The cost of equipment and medals has been approved to be the responsibility of the State Meet Host.
- This change is in line with other State Championships

PASSED: 30-0

----- 10 MINUTE BREAK -----

ITEM #9: Proposals to Eliminate Compulsories from the THSGCA competitions

Discussion: Limiting 3 Minutes per person

Information given by Bryan Moss prior to Discussion:

- Consider what changes could encourage more gyms/programs to join and participate in the organization.
- **Participation Numbers 2016**
 - Girls: 384
 - Boys: 396
- **Participation Numbers 2026**
 - Girls: 239
 - Boys: 188
- Girls participation has decreased by approximately 37%.
- Boys participation has decreased by approximately 53%.
- Overall participation has decreased by approximately 45%.

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- Explore creating a different experience for the State Meet, such as:
 - Prelims Day 1 and Finals Day 2
- There has been a significant decrease in Level 5 participation, athletes who test out of the level.

Clarification before Discussion Begins:

- Every vote matters.
- Proposed implementation: 2027–2028.
- Clarification #9: Vote is only on 9A. If 9A passes, additional proposals will come to a vote; if it fails, the process stops.

Discussion:

- Compulsories provide a foundation for true high school gymnasts, teaching fundamental skills and building confidence before moving to optional routines.
- Compulsories have helped introduce students to gymnastics who otherwise may never have competed.
- The goal is not to dictate coaching, but to provide guidance on teaching fundamental skills.
- Coaches can develop routines that fit individual athletes while maintaining foundational skills.
- Focus on developing athletes and their passion for the sport.
- Opportunity to use changes to move the sport forward and grow participation.
- Student perspectives highlighted the importance of compulsories.
- School gymnastics is different from club gymnastics, with emphasis on being a team player and representing the school.
- Participation numbers are important to Athletic Directors: “Numbers, numbers, numbers.”
- Concern that the timing may not be right.
- Present the proposal positively to Athletic Directors and focus on being proactive about the future.
- Increase participation and school involvement.
- Keep the focus on students, skill development, and enjoyment.

FAILED: 17-15

Voting Item #10: Constitution update

- Update years in rotation of state meet hosts
- Clarify- state qualifiers- Individual events- top 10, AA- top 8, next line says “ties in the tenth place position will not be broken”. Need to clarify for events and AA
- Vote to accept constitution updates.

Discussion: None

PASSED: 28-0

Voting Item #11: Accept Men’s Rules Committee changes

Discussion: Cameron (Men’s VP) read the changes

PASSED: 15-0

Voting Item #12: Accept Women’s Rules Committee changes

Discussion: Becky (Women’s VP) read the changes

PASSED: 17-0

Voting Item #13: Vote to continue using MeetCenter system

Discussion: None

PASSED: 25-0

Officer Elections

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-Men's Vice President
Cameron Sweny

-Webmaster
Jared Whiles

PASSED: 25-1

NEW BUSINESS:

State Meet Host: Rockwall Heath to host on April 23/24 (22nd Practice Day)

PASSED: 27-1

Proposal Made to increase the IQ State meet entry fee to match the increase of Team entry fee.

Motion Made: Individual Qualifier entry fee to be \$70.

PASSED: 29-0

Discussion items-

Judges' pay sheet has been reformatted to fix questions that were raised last year.

- The pay sheet is now worded for the over 2 hour meet limit is through Regionals
- \$5 increase of pay to align with UIL increase of pay

Coaches of girls- If you secure your own meet officials, please remind them to change their availability in GymJas. If you have any questions or issues, please contact your assigning director. Denise Coats-Larier is no longer the assigning director.