

2013 SPRING GHSA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING – April 13-15, 2013

AGENDA FOR SUBCOMMITTEES

TRUSTEES

1. 2012-2013 Financial Report [Executive Director]
2. 2013-2014 Budget [Executive Director]
3. Proposal to add a representative to the Executive Committee from the Independent School Headmaster group. [Trustee talks with Heads of School from member private schools]
4. Proposal to allow GHSA schools to compete against GISA schools under certain conditions. [Region 2-A]
5. Proposal to have two dead weeks: 1 week in June and the week of July 4th [Earl Etheridge]
6. Proposal to standardize the time frame for online rules clinics as the two week period just before the first date of practice in that sport. [Upson-Lee H.S.]
7. Proposal to develop a program to sell GHSA playoff passes to collegiate coaches [GHSA office]
8. Proposal to change deadlines for schools to report their participation in sports and activities not organized along region lines. [GHSA office]
9. Modify GHSA travel reimbursement for staff, volunteers, and Executive Committee. [GHSA Office]
10. Proposal to develop a transgender policy for GHSA competition [GHSA office]
11. Proposal to develop by-laws to meet the new concussion law. [GHSA office]
12. Executive Session: Discussion of personnel issues

BASKETBALL

1. Proposal to have the semifinal games played at the site of the higher seed. [Region 6-AAA]
2. Form a “host committee” if the semifinals are played at a neutral site to see that conditions are comparable to what they have been in the “final four” format. [Region 6-AAA]
3. Proposal to seed the 32 qualifying teams for the State Basketball Tournament by a power rating system in all classifications [Alexander H.S.]
4. Proposal to change the format for all rounds of the playoffs [Alexander H.S.]
5. Proposal to change parts of the power rating system for Class A schools [Towns Co. H.S. & GHSA office]
6. Proposal to change policy of scheduling doubleheaders in early rounds of playoffs [GHSA office]
7. Proposal to allow the Executive Director the authority to modify the games times for semifinals and championships when schools have both boys’ and girls’ teams playing. [GHSA office]
8. Proposal to restructure admission fees for playoff basketball games. [GHSA office]
9. Proposal to have a coin toss in the 3rd round for hosting privilege when the teams have the same seed out of their regions. (Region 6-AAA)

CHEERLEADING

1. Proposal to change the format and dates for the 2013 Sectional and State competitions [GHSA office]
2. Proposal to lessen the point deductions in the “minor violation” categories. [State Coordinator]
3. Proposal to develop a written policy about proper cheerleading uniforms to go into effect for the 2014 season. [GHSA staff]

ELIGIBILITY

1. Proposal to allow coaches to appeal the sit-out penalty if ejected [Region 2-AA]
2. Proposal to delete references to participation in non-school practices from By-law 2.61 Regions 5-AAAAA and 6-AAAAA]
3. Discussion of difficulties involved in EOCT scores delaying credit recovery programs. [GHSA office]
4. Review of area meetings with Superintendents [Executive Director]
5. Discussion of possible academic innovation or upcoming legislation that might affect GHSA eligibility rules [GHSA office]

FOOTBALL

1. Review the research findings of the heat/humidity changes this past season. [Earl Etheridge]
2. Proposal to recalculate division of revenue and expense at championship games. [Emanuel County Institute; Earl Etheridge]
3. Proposal to change parts of the power rating system for Class A schools [GHSA office; Earl Etheridge]
4. Proposal to allow schools an extra scrimmage in August if they choose not to hold spring practice. [Earl Etheridge]
5. Proposal to restructure admission fees for playoff football games. [GHSA office]
6. Proposal to allow host school to add surcharge on playoff admission fee for its season ticket holders. [GHSA office]
7. Proposal to allow exemptions for the stadium seating rule if both schools agree. [Region 4-AAAAA]
8. Proposal to allow shoulder pads at summer football camps [McEachern H.S. and Mill Creek H.S.] (Note: asked to report back to Committee at last meeting)

GOLF

1. Proposal to make all State Tournaments 36-hole events (all classes and genders) [Columbus H.S.]
2. Proposal to allow the use of electronic devices that compute playing distances [Columbus H.S.; Region 7-AAAAA]
3. Proposal to establish a maximum score for individual qualifiers in the region tournament in order to advance. [Columbus H.S.]
4. Proposal to institute an online rules clinic for Golf coaches developed in conjunction with GSGA. [Columbus H.S.]
5. Proposal to eliminate the use of double-par maximum scoring in region tournaments. [GHSA office]

LACROSSE

1. (Girls) Proposal to allow teams from different classifications to play an overtime procedure if both coaches agree before the start of the match. [State Coordinator]

AWARDS

1. Proposal to increase the number of medals given in team sports at championship events. [GHSA office]

MEDIA

1. Proposal on the policy of media credentials at playoff venues. [GHSA Office]
2. Proposal on timing issues when a game is televised or streamed. [GHSA Office]

OFFICIALS

1. Proposal to raise game fees for officials. [Earl Etheridge & GHSA office]
2. Selection of football officials: regular season and post-season [Earl Etheridge]

RECLASSIFICATION

1. Mandate that all regions composed of 11 or fewer teams must play a full region schedule. [Region 4-AAAAA]
2. Proposal to institute a multiplier to student populations in certain schools when reclassifying GHSA members [Lovett School]
3. Proposal to adopt a “3 Classes/6 Championships” plan for reclassification [Habersham Central H.S.]
4. Review of schedule for 2014-2016 reclassification process [GHSA office]

SOFTBALL

1. Proposal to extend the softball season one week at the end of the season [Greenbrier H.S.]
2. Proposal to change game-ending procedures in subvarsity and tournament games [Greenbrier H.S., Mill Creek H.S., et. al.]

SPORTSMANSHIP

1. Review of Ejection data for 2012-2013 school year [Executive Director]
2. Discussion of the effectiveness of current sit-out rules [Executive Director]

TRACK

1. Proposal to expand the maximum number of varsity meets to 12 as long as no athlete participates in more than 10 meets. [GHSA office]

VOLLEYBALL

1. Proposal to change the maximum number of playing dates to 18 playing dates regardless of whether it is a tournament format or head-to-head. [GHSA staff]
2. Proposal to change the format of the semifinal matches to the site of the higher seed. [GHSA State Coordinators]
3. Proposal to move the date of the first competition to August 5, 2013 [GHSA State Coordinators]
4. Proposal to hold the championship matches at one site and have the matches played on Friday night and Saturday. [GHSA State Coordinators; GHSA staff]
5. Proposal to clarify travel fees for officials in both regular season and playoffs. [GHSA State Coordinators; GHSA staff]

WRESTLING

1. Proposal to limit the number of wrestling opportunities in tournaments. [Region 7-AAAAA]
2. Adopt the NFHS procedure for weigh-ins. (GHSA Staff)
3. Eliminate “consecutive day” weight allowance to teams wrestling the day before any post-season tournament. (GHSA Staff)
4. Schools must enter weigh-in results in the computerized weight management program within 48 hours of the weigh-in. (GHSA Staff)
5. All schools must have at least one scale certified annually (between March and May). [GHSA Staff]
6. For all Area Tournaments, each Area will secure officials to conduct weigh-ins and to officiate the matches, and shall pay those officials accordingly. [GHSA Staff]
7. Allow schools to schedule other matches if they are not participating in Team Dual playoffs. [GHSA staff]
8. [Page 96 “E”] Move the date to change schedule without GHSA approval from December 15th to December 31st. [GHSA staff]

SCHEDULE OF SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS

SPRING 2013

MEETINGS WILL BE HELD AT THE MARRIOTT CITY CENTER HOTEL AND ROOMS
ASSIGNMENTS WILL BE NOTED ON SIGNAGE.

SATURDAY, APRIL 13

6:00pm Board of Trustees

SUNDAY, APRIL 14

9:00am Basketball Committee

Eligibility Committee

Wrestling Committee

10:00am Football Committee

Softball Committee

Track & Field Committee

10:30am Lacrosse Committee

11:00am Awards Committee

Officials Committee

Volleyball Committee

11:30am Media Committee

12:30pm Sportsmanship Committee

1:00pm Cheerleading Committee

Golf Committee

2:00pm Reclassification Committee

4:30pm Hospitality Room Opens