

GEORGIA HIGH SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

AGENDA

MARRIOTT/Macon City Center – MACON, GEORGIA

Magnolia Ballroom

October 6, 2025 at 9:00AM

Call To Order	Jim Finch, President
Pledge of Allegiance	Curt Miller, Vice President
Invocation	Carror Wright, Associate Director
Roll Call	Marvin James, Director of Media Relations
Adoption of Agenda.....	Executive Committee

APPOINTMENTS:

9:00 am: Chris Williams, Athletic Director, Greene County High School

9:15 am: Kory Keys, Athletic Director, Milton High School

9:30 am: Greg Ellison, Athletic Director, Peach County High School

9:45 am: Kelli Hutcheson speaking on behalf of GADA regarding participation in the NIAAA/GADA initiative supporting St. Jude Children’s Hospital

FIRST ANNUAL GHSA CITATION AWARD

COMMITTEE PROPOSALS:

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

1. **Proposal** to allow the use of the ledges in swimming the backstroke if all coaches in the meet are in agreement and the host school has enough ledges of the same type for ALL participants. This is recommended for the 2025-2026 season. The ledges will be used at the 2026 state championships to be held at Georgia Tech – Georgia Tech already has all of the necessary equipment as this has been NCAA approved.

2. **Proposal** is to donate three million dollars (\$3,000,000) to the GHSA Foundation, Inc. The Foundation will exist exclusively for educational and charitable purposes. Its mission is to serve and assist deserving students across Georgia in furthering their education, while also protecting the integrity of high school sports and activities in our state. This will be achieved through funding scholarships, grants, and programs that support students, coaches, administrators, and officials engaged in these activities.

3. **Proposal** to update 2.13 Dues for Membership moving from 6 classifications to 7 classifications.

CHEERLEADING/DANCE

1. **Proposal** to sub-divide Coed Cheerleading. Submitted by Callaway High School
2. **Review** updates to Competitive Dance divisions and awards.

RECLASSIFICATION

1. **Proposal** that Reclassification for the 2026 – 2028 cycle will be based on the same model as the current cycle.
2. **Proposal** that Eliminates A Division I/Division II to move to a unified A–7A structure with schools being divided into seven classifications based on the following approximate percentages of football playing schools: Class 7A (largest 13%); Class A (smallest 12%); Classes 2A, 3A, 4A, 5A and 6A, divided equally among the 5 classes at 15%. When football playing schools opt to move up in classification, only the exact number of football playing schools at the bottom of the next class will be given the option to come down.
3. **Proposal** that Maintains a 2A–4A private classification for state playoffs.
4. **Proposal** that the organization will use post season rankings 1–32 to rank playoffs in all classifications. Region champions will host the first round. Any region champion not ranked in the top 16 teams will be moved into a top 16 spot and teams will move down to the next available position. All teams will be ranked by their post season rankings with the exception of the above mentioned. GHSA tie breakers for an equal Post Season Ranking score will be 1. head-to-head, 2. highest PSR Winning Percentage, 3. highest OWP, 4. Highest OOWP. Teams are required to compete in a region and play the minimum number of contests as stated by each sports general information and playing rules books to qualify. A team playing a non-region schedule cannot qualify for the play-offs.

Sports Using the Postseason Ranking Formula (minimum number of contests to qualify)

FALL

Football (9 games)
Softball (24 games)
Volleyball (16 dates/32 matches)

WINTER

Basketball (22 games)

SPRING

Baseball (24 games)
Soccer (14 games)
Lacrosse (14 games)
Tennis (14 games)

5. **Proposal** to delete 4.37 in all sports/activities because we are seeding by post season rankings

ADJOURNMENT

SCHEDULE OF SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS – Fall 2025

(Meetings will be Held at the Marriot Macon City Center Hotel)

Sunday, October 5

12:00pm	Board of Trustees (Grand Salon A)
2:30pm	Reclassification Committee (Grand Salon B)
3:30pm	Cheerleading/Dance Committee (Grand Salon B)
4:30pm	Hospitality (Grand Salon A)