

GEORGIA HIGH SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

AGENDA

MARRIOTT / Macon City Center - MACON, GEORGIA

Magnolia Ballroom

April 15, 2024 - 9:00 a.m.

Call To Order	Jim Finch, President
Pledge of Allegiance	Curt Miller, Vice President
Invocation	Carror Wright, Associate Director
Roll Call	Ernie Yarbrough, Assistant Executive Director
Adoption of Agenda	Executive Committee

Assistant Executive Director Ernie Yarbrough will present several Coaching and Officiating Awards.

APPOINTMENTS: Monday - 9:20 am: Kirk Call, Athletic Director, Johns Creek High School
Appeal of student eligibility - Christopher Smith (eight semesters)

COMMITTEE PROPOSALS:

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

1. **Proposal** to change pay scale for Dance Officials to be exactly the same as the current scale for Cheerleading Officials: \$10.70 per team for the first 12 teams (with pay for a minimum of 12) and \$8.60 per team for more than 12 teams. (GHSA Office)
2. **Proposal** to modify By-Law 1.62, item "c-3" on page 19 of the GHSA Constitution as follows (deleted text struck out) so as to allow students from non-member schools who transfer to GHSA schools to be eligible immediately as long as it is their first enrollment in a GHSA school: "The student has not yet established eligibility in grades 9-12 at a member school ~~serving his area of residence~~. Eligibility is established at the first time the student enrolls in a GHSA member school for the first time." (Eagles Landing Christian Academy)
3. **Proposal** to modify By-Law 2.16, item "a" on page 24 of the GHSA Constitution as follows (new text in italic): A *GHSA member school* playing a non-region schedule may not participate in post-season competition *in the GHSA or any other association*. (GHSA office)
4. **Proposal** to modify By-Law 2.62, item "a-2" on page 28 of the GHSA Constitution as follows (deleted text struck out): (2) Participants must be in compliance with all eligibility rules of their respective associations ~~with the exception that only those participants in grades 9-12 shall be allowed to participate~~. NOTE: This would allow GHSA schools to compete against non-GHSA schools that have athletes in grades lower than 9th, as long as they are eligible for high school competition in their own association. This includes GISA, GAPPS, and member schools from other State Associations who are full members. (Muscogee County Schools)
5. **Proposal** to add a new item "g" to By-Law 2.62 on page 29 of the GHSA Constitution as follows: All competitions in sports utilizing a Rating Formula to seed post-season qualification **MUST** be played to completion with a winner and loser being determined. (GHSA office)
6. **Proposal** to include contest officials under the GHSA Concussion Policy (by-law 2.68) should they exhibit any signs, symptoms or behaviors consistent with a concussion during the officiating of a contest or scrimmage. (GHSA office)
7. **Proposal** to add the following text to Sportsmanship by-law 2.76 on page 35 of the GHSA Constitution at the end of the existing text (new text in italic): *Signs held by spectators may not exceed 8.5"x11" so as not to obstruct the view of others in attendance*. (GHSA office)
8. **Discussion** on allowing a two-week "Arm Conditioning Period" in Baseball prior to the official date for the start of practice beginning with the 2025 season. During this two-week period, only balls, gloves and catcher's gear could

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be used and the four athletes to one coach skill-building sessions could not be held at the same time as the Arm Conditioning Period workouts. (North Cobb High School) For information only – no vote will be taken.

9. **Recommendation** of the Board for the position of Executive Director to succeed Robin Hines, who is retiring.

RECLASSIFICATION COMMITTEE

Discussion on a “competitive balance” formula that may be used in the reclassification process for the 2026-28 reclassification cycle. (GHSA Office) For information only – no vote will be taken.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Executive Director Robin Hines will address the committee on several issues.

ADJOURNMENT

SCHEDULE OF SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS - Spring 2024

(Meetings Will Be Held at the Marriott Macon City Center Hotel)

SUNDAY, April 14

12:30 pm Board of Trustees (Salon A)

2:30 pm Reclassification Committee (Salon B)

SUNDAY, April 14 (continued)

4:30 pm Hospitality (Salon A)