### OHSGGCA ADVISORY MEETING AGENDA

Monday, March 18, 2024 9:30 am @OHSAA office

### A. OFFICERS:

President Cindy Fushimi - present 1<sup>st</sup> V-P: Shea Stammen - absent

Secretary Gail Maundrell – present via zoom

Treasurer Carol Eskay - present

# DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES:

Central Kristen Willms - present

Jen Hedrick - present

Northeast Maria Schneider - present via zoom

Kasey Lotycz – present via zoom

Liz Wojtkun - present

Northwest Traci Dunn - present

Joe Dunn – present

Southwest Steve Conner - present

Stacey Bailey - absent

#### **OHSAA REPRESENTATIVES:**

OHSAA director of gymnastics officials – Lori Powers -present OHSAA Liaison Kate Barnett – present

B. Approved minutes from 9-11-23 meeting- no changes or additions

# C. District Reports-

**Northeast-** Kasey did a new invitational and it was well received. They changed from 3 sectionals to 2 districts. Was kind of a surprise and went ok but there is room for improvement. They seeded the teams and they each picked their day, causing some concerns, but Lori talked with them and it went ok. They just have to get results to state by Sunday night – before Monday

**Northwest**- Thought the district meet went well. Had some confusion when they sent in the results to the state. Also issues when individuals have same coach, but they are in different districts. It was felt this can be fixed when this occurs

Central- Special need athletes are becoming more involved in gymnastics and much discussion followed about should they count as one of the 6 on a team—since there is no exhibition routines. The district is also concerned that teams there are scoring in the 140's and not advancing when some districts advanced teams of 130. Much discussion followed: we seemed to agree that each district should have a champion and runner -up advance, but if drop below a certain number of teams perhaps we need to reconsider. Numbers for each sport comes out in late May or June. Talked about a subcommittee to work on the possibility of adding 4 teams of the next highest scores to be added to team day, thus 1 more rotation. As well as possibly at large individuals. The timing of the meet now on Saturday and Sunday could make this work we all felt.

**Southwest**- They went back to seeding and all went well at the district meet. The numbers are dropping of teams as well as the sizes of the teams. They are going to see if can talk with Y and Excel coaches to work together. There were several coaches that questioned the equipment being used and felt it was getting too old. Also discussed charging teams to help pay for judges at quad meets as only a few schools are actually hosting most of the meets.

## D. Coaches Association-

- a. **Carol Treasurer's report** --We bought pins for the team and individual qualifiers and they went over well with the kids and coaches. We also bought Yeti mugs for the judges that they liked
- b. **Membership procedure recap, how is it working**? dues and membership sign ups going well and is an easy process for most.
- c. Communication from District reps is crucial. –District reps need to send constant reminders to their coaches about joining the coaches association on time as well as getting nominations in on time.

### E. State Meet Review-

- 1. **Feedback on the state tournament** Talked about the on-line meeting for those with qualifiers, a first this year and it also included the alternates. Felt it was useful especially for new coaches. Saturday Sunday worked well may have to adjust times a bit earlier if add additional at large teams/individuals.
  - This year they honored people from the past Brecksville state team with an introduction and gave them tickets. It was felt that too many asked for multiple tickets so perhaps limit it to 2? Also decided to talk in fall meeting a system for honoring teams/individuals at the state meet. Maybe not do it every year but have some kind of plan.
- Were there improvements in submitting District results to OHSAA? Qualifying coaches need to make sure all correct info is given to their meet director, so it has a better chance of being turned into OHSAA correctly
- F. **Rule changes (Lori)** will be happening beginning of May and then she will let us know what is going on .
- G. New business-

### 1. Awards

State Coach of the Year – Teresa Principi, North Olmsted

State Assistant Coach of the Year-Alicia McQuade, Dublin Jerome & Emily Pearlman, Lakewood

**SEI Award** – Teresa Principi, North Olmsted

Service Award - Kelli Kopp, NW assigner

- 2. NFHS State Coach of the Year nominee—Joe Gura- Magnificat
- **3. Special needs students competing.** Discussion Do they need a score? Talked about various levels of disabilities

Gail mentioned something about teams practicing together counts as a meet? Steve could clarify. Steve could clarify, his AD brought the rule up. It is 7.1.3 Kate will look into it, but we feel that the intent of the rule is for team sports, and not individuals using the same facility.

- 5. Need a new Assistant rep for NE since Trystin Diebel retired from coaching. Can NE reps look for someone?
- 4. Will representation change for next year? End of May we will know numbers
- 5. Seeding for State meet. In the fall. (this is here to remind Cindy that we need to do this at the fall meeting).

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## H. Old business-

- 1. No need for more NE reps since there are now 2 district meets
- 2. Season changing? no movement on this
- 3. Money spent on pins for State Qualifiers, Certificates given to 4-year seniors Feedback from Kasey-I had a few NE coaches reach out to me with pictures of the pin and they thought it was such a nice idea Carol offered that plaques could be given for sportsmanship for the other districts if they wanted.

Next meeting: August 12 2024 \_\_\_\_\_ 9:30am this will be an IN PERSON meeting