



**MIAA GYMNASTICS VIRTUAL COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**Tuesday, May 4, 2021 - 10:00 a.m.**  
**Minutes**

1. Call to Order
2. Attendance -
  - Kathy Ostberg, Steven Cudworth, Amelia Braun, Jessica Winders, Rich Ellis, Laura Chesson, Michaela Gill, Paul D'Alleva, Wes Paul, Jessica Mahoney, John Plourd, Kat Cornetta (Boston Globe), Paula Chausse, Ann Trytko, Nate Bonneau
3. Approval of Minutes of 10/20/20 Meeting -
  - Motion by Kathy Ostberg
  - Second by R. Ellis

Minutes were approved unanimously.

4. Annual Recognition of Officials -
  - Deadline is normally in March, but it has been extended to 6/30/21.
  - K. Ostberg felt this was difficult to determine since so many officials have done a tremendous job this year. Nomination was made for Sandy Barrett, Western MA. / R. Ellis made a nomination for Mike Denise. Both individuals are deserving!
5. Girls Coaches Association Report -
  - The association was not able to host the Senior Superbowl or the State Individual Championships this past season, but something that they hope to resume for next year.

- Twenty-four senior athletes are attending the Senior National Championships in Fort Myers, FL on 5/20-5/23/21. This competition was open to 2020 graduates also, since the meet was canceled last year.
- S. Cudworth provided a recap of his league and their season, and how well things went considering the obstacles. They were able to recognize numerous athletes across the entire league and it was more than expected.

#### 6. Boys Coaches Association Report -

- The boys were able to compete and complete the entire season. There were five competitions.
- The same officials went to opposing schools, and there was no state competition.
- The Newton North cooperative team finished undefeated, and Attleboro, Burlington, Braintree and Lowell also fielded teams this year.
- Three senior athletes will be competing in the NCAA this fall.

#### 7. Officials Association Report -

- K. Ostberg extended thanks to the MIAA for the opportunity provided for our athletes to compete.
- Officials' and Coaches' Clinics were held remotely on 10/25 and 10/28 to review the new NFHS rules. Officials' testing was completed virtually.
- The overall consensus was that it was a safe and positive season.

#### 8. Fall Season Update - Western Mass Fall Gymnastics

- November 13, 2021 : Western MA Championships
- N. Bonneau presented the tournament format, and it was unanimously approved.

#### 9. Winter Season Update -

- March 3, 2022 : State Championships
- N. Bonneau presented the winter tournament format, and it was unanimously approved.

#### 10. Old Business - none at this time

11. New Business -

- Discussion took place of the realignment of the teams statewide.
- For the winter season, there may be a need to balance the North and the South, as there are currently 63 teams in the North, and 42 in the South.
- If a balance is needed, A. Trytko will form a subcommittee to this task.

12. Next Meetings:

- October 12, 2021
- March 15, 2022