

# BC SCHOOL SPORTS



## *MINUTES*

(Adopted: May 4, 2013)

2011-2012

## Annual General Meeting

Saturday May 5, 2012

# BC SCHOOL SPORTS RESOLUTIONS FOR THE 2011-2012 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

- 1.1 **Welcome and Opening Remarks:** Mr. Raj Puri, President, welcomed all delegates and observers to the 44th Annual General Meeting. He thanked delegates for their presence and commitment to high school sports.
- 1.2. **Meeting Information and Announcements:** General information about the meeting and announcements were made by the President.
- 1.3. **Introductions – Parliamentarian – Mr. Barrie Lynch:** The President introduced Parliamentarian Barry Lynch. (The list of registered voting delegates and registered observers is found in Appendix A and B.)
- 1.4. **Declaration of Voting Rights, Rules of Order and Appointment of Parliamentarian and Scrutineers:**  
(Randy Semenoff, Vice President)
  - 1.4.1. **Voting Rights:** Each qualifying school who is a member in good standing as of March 31, 2012 can exercise a vote at the BCSS Annual General Meeting, through duly registered proxies or by voting in person. (Article 6 – Bylaw 6.5)
  - 1.4.2. **Rules of Order:** In accordance with Bylaw XXII, the meeting will use the latest edition of Robert’s Rules of Order for any procedural issue for which provision or partial provision has not been made in the Bylaws.
  - 1.4.3. **Appointment of Scrutineers and Parliamentarian:** Two individuals volunteered to keep track of the voting numbers throughout the Resolutions discussion. They were: **Randy Semenoff and Sean Lamoureux**
- 1.5 **Outline of Resolution Procedures:** Special Resolutions (dealing with Constitution or Bylaw changes) were due at the BCSS office by March 23, 2012 (Bylaw 18.2.2). Other resolutions were due on March 30, 2012. (Resolutions to change the Constitution & Bylaws, Membership Fees, Operating or Competitive Policies will **NOT** be accepted from the floor.)
- 1.6. **Announcement of Registered Votes:** The full BCSS Membership is **426** schools as of March 31, 2012. A quorum (20%) is **85** votes. 176 votes were present, in person or by proxy. A **simple majority of votes** (more than 50%) was **89** and 75% of votes was **132**.

There were **64** votes represented in person, **112** votes represented by proxy.

- 1.7. **Call to Order** (Raj Puri, President, (North Surrey Secondary School))

## 2. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA:**

**MOVED: (SUE THORNE, {PRINCE CHARLES} / JOE MOREIRA, {MOUNT SENTINEL}) BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE AGENDA BE ADOPTED.**

**CARRIED**

### **3. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 43rd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD MAY 7, 2011**

**MOVED: (ROB COLOMBO, {RIVERSIDE} / SUE THORNE, {PRINCE CHARLES}), BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE MINUTES OF MAY 7, 2011 BE ADOPTED.**

**CARRIED**

### **4. PRESENTATIONS TO THE AGM DELEGATES:**

**4.1 PRESIDENT'S OPENING REMARKS** – Raj Puri introduced Christine Bradstock (sport administrator), Sue Keenan (executive director) and the current Board of Directors. He acknowledged the position of the teachers in regards to the labour dispute spoke about themes emerging from the needs assessment survey and reiterated that BCSS was a member-driven organization. He said it was an honour and a privilege to serve this organization for the last 10 years.

#### **4.2 PRESENTATION BY JOHN PATON – ONLINE COACHING EDUCATION IN ALBERTA**

Before his presentation, John Paton presented Sue Keenan with a recognition award on behalf of School Sport Canada. John spoke about Alberta's online coaching education and resource program for teacher coaches. He discussed the various coaching courses and provided his email for further questions: [john@asaa.ca](mailto:john@asaa.ca).

#### **4.3 AWARD PRESENTATION FOR BC HIGH SCHOOL COACHES OF THE YEAR**

Sandy Drever (Glenlyon-Norfolk School) and Bob Saunders (Dover Bay Secondary) were presented with the female and male coaching recognition awards for 2011-2012.

#### **4.4 PRESENTATION BY MURRAY MORRISON, SBC INSURANCE**

Murray explained the BCSS coverage policy for zone qualifiers and provincial championships. The policy has been extended to cover referees and officials on a contingent basis. Volunteers (coaches, officials, etc.) will be named in a lawsuit if someone is injured.

#### **4.5 PRESENTATION BY BC SPORT AGENCY**

Moira Gookstetter introduced and discussed the organization's values and strategic objectives. Their goal is to simplify BC's sport landscape and develop a common vision for sport.

#### **4.6 OUTSTANDING SCHOOL PRESENTATION**

BCSS recognized Sa-Hali Secondary (Kamloops) for commitment to improving their school through athletics.

#### **4.7 PRESENTATION BY DON HORNE, SMI, CORPORATE SPONSORSHIPS**

Don Horne introduced his organization and spoke about the BCSS Partner Program and opportunities for corporate sponsorship. Each province's high school sport association is unique, and there is no marketing template that can work for all provincial associations.

#### **4.8 PRESENTATION BY PETER SPENCER, ELIGIBILITY ISSUES AND THE LAW**

Peter Spencer spoke about the legal framework in which the eligibility rules operate. Many people don't seem to understand the purpose of the rules (e.g. parents, students and volunteers outside the organization). He suggested BCSS may be trying too hard to regulate, and seeking too much to achieve level playing field. These goals may not be realistic.

### **5. REPORTS TO THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:**

#### **5.1 President's Report: (Raj Puri)**

Raj thanked the office staff for their hard work. He thanked Sue Keenan for her dedication to BCSS in her role as executive director.

5.2. **Presentation of the 2010-2011 Audited Financial Statements** (Sue Keenan)

Sue presented the financial statements and referred to the audit posted on the website. BCSS operating receipts totalled \$464,294. Total operating expenditures totalled \$445,737. She emphasized that there wasn't much more to cut from the budget.

**MOVED: (SUE THORNE {PRINCE CHARLES} / GLENN JOHNSON, {SENTINEL}), BE IT RESOLVED TO** receive the financial statements as presented.

**CARRIED**

5.3 **Executive Director's Report** (Sue Keenan)

Sue described the last 9 years as an exciting time for BCSS. She was impressed with the dedication of BCSS's volunteers and the work that goes into the many first-rate competitions. She recognized and acknowledged the work of eligibility officer Don Wallace and presented him with a recognition award. She acknowledged Raj Puri's outstanding leadership abilities as president and presented him with a recognition award.

5.4. **Board Appointee Reports:**

- 5.4.1. BC Superintendent's Association Appointee Report: (Wendy Hyer)  
On behalf of the organization, she acknowledged the time BCSS volunteers give toward student athletes.
- 5.4.2. BC School Trustee's Association Appointee Report: (Larry Hayes)  
Thanked everyone in the room on behalf of the organization.
- 5.4.3. BC Principal's and Vice Principals' Association Appointee Report: (Sean Lamoureux, SD #73)  
As submitted.
- 5.4.4. BC Confederation of Parent Advisory Councils: (Terry Berting)  
On behalf of PAC, he thanked the athletic directors and volunteers for their hard work.

5.5. **Council Reports:**

- 5.5.1. Council of Association Presidents: (Sue Thorne, East Kootenays SSAA, Prince Charles).  
As submitted.
- 5.5.2. Council of Sport Commissioners: (Don Moslin, Soccer Commissioner, Woodlands)  
As submitted

5.6. **Standing Committee Reports:**

- 5.6.1. Administrators' Committee: (Sean Lamoureux, South Kamloops) As submitted.
- 5.6.2. Competitive Standards Committee: (Rob Colombo, Riverside) As submitted.
- 5.6.3. Coaching Development Committee: (Don Moslin, Woodlands) As submitted.
- 5.6.4. Eligibility Appeals Committee: (Bev Kines, AL Fortune) As submitted.
- 5.6.5. Scholarships & Awards Committee: (Brian Lynch, retired) As submitted.

**MOVED: (SUE THORNE {PRINCE CHARLES} / SEAN LAMOUREUX {SOUTH KAMLOOPS}), BE IT RESOLVED THAT** all committee reports are accepted as submitted.

**CARRIED**

## SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS

### 1. 5.6 VOTING PROCEDURE

**WHEREAS**, many volunteer athletic directors around the province often find it difficult to attend the AGM. Other priorities may prevent their participation or there may be financial barriers to travel to the Lower mainland of BC. It is an unfortunate fact that some school representatives don't attend as they are discouraged that their voice is not listened to. Without exception, there are individuals in every school who care about school sports and want a vote to count.

**AND**

**WHEREAS**, the proxy vote process can be abused by individuals or groups that want to influence the outcome of a vote. BCSS should engage a process that makes members feel their voice can be heard through their own direct vote.

**AND**

**WHEREAS**, measures can be taken to ensure voters are well informed. For example Athletic associations are able to meet to discuss the resolutions (many already do), discussion at the AGM could be broadcast, resolutions can be proof read and crafted to improve clarity, voting can take place directly after the AGM if this is felt to be advisable.

**AND**

**WHEREAS**, many organizations and corporations have on line voting for important and complex issues. Today's technology makes proxy voting unnecessary. The on line service providers are not expensive and other BCSS administrative tasks are being successfully accomplished on a web based platform.

**MOVED: {(GARLINGE, (ESQUIMALT), / RAVENHILL, (REYNOLDS))}: BE IT RESOLVED THAT** notwithstanding the other existing rules surrounding the voting process, the proxy vote be discontinued and an electronic voting procedure be implemented in time for the 2013 Annual General Meeting

#### *DISCUSSION*

*Discussion centered around the convenience of electronic voting versus the challenges of creating an online system. Heather Lederis (LVISSA) spoke for the resolution. Rob Colombo (Riverside) and Glenn Johnston (Sentinel) spoke against the resolution. Kim Eagle (Clayton Heights) asked a clarifying question.*

**DEFEATED**

### 2. PRESIDENT AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**WHEREAS**, BCSS finds itself in the position of not having stable leadership with the position of President due to lack of interest and the staff position of Executive Director is at risk of being lost due to constraints within the organization and, a major limiter for the effectiveness of the Executive Director is the lack of voice in terms of making decisions for the organization and within the Board of Directors, and the need to establish consistency and stability for the organization.

**MOVED: {(COLOMBO, (RIVERSIDE) / SEMENOFF (BROCKLEHURST))}: BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the position of President and Executive Director be amalgamated into one position as Chief Executive Officer.

\*Passing such a resolution would require changes to the constitutional requirements of the President and the role and responsibilities of the Executive Director.

#### *DISCUSSION*

*Rob Colombo (Riverside) explained the origin of the resolution.*

**VOTE COUNT BY SCRUTINEERS (75% vote needed)**  
**In Favour 88**  
**Opposed 63**

**DEFEATED**

**A) ANNUAL PROCEDURAL AND PROGRAMMING RESOLUTIONS SUBMITTED BY THE BCSS BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**1. {SEMENOFF, (BROCKLEHURST) / THORNE, (PRINCE CHARLES)} BE IT RESOLVED** that the transactions of the board of directors for the school year 2011-2012 be ratified.

**CARRIED**

**2. {SEMENOFF, (BROCKLEHURST) / THORNE, (PRINCE CHARLES)} BE IT RESOLVED** that Eva Y. Lee, Chartered Accountant, be responsible for the 2012-2013 audit.

**CARRIED**

**B) RESOLUTIONS SUBMITTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR MEMBERSHIP FEES AND SURCHARGES**

**3. WHEREAS, the overall expenditures of the organization has remained unchanged this past year.**

**MOVED: {SEMENOFF, (BROCKLEHURST) / THORNE, (PRINCE CHARLES)} BE IT RESOLVED** that there be no membership fee increase in 2012-2013.

**CARRIED**

**4. WHEREAS, the Legal Contingency Fund as of March 31, 2012 is at approximately \$3,000.00;**  
**And**

**WHEREAS, BCSS Operating Policies state that the Legal Contingency Fund shall remain around \$50,000.00;**

**MOVED: {SEMENOFF, (BROCKLEHURST) / THORNE, (PRINCE CHARLES)} BE IT RESOLVED** that there be a contingency fund surcharge of **\$125.00** for member schools for the 2012-2013 school year.

**CARRIED**

**C) PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS FOR THE 2012 BCSS AGM FROM THE COMPETITIVE STANDARDS COMMITTEE.**

**5. ELIGIBILITY COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

**WHEREAS, the meeting dates for the BCSS Eligibility Appeals Committee need to be declared,**

**MOVED: {COLOMBO, (RIVERSIDE) / KINES, (AL FORTUNE)} BE IT RESOLVED** that the Eligibility Appeals Committee meeting dates for **2012-2013** be;

Meeting 1	September 22, 2012	Deadline for Submission	September 14, 2012
Meeting 2	October 13, 2012	Deadline for Submission	October 5, 2012
Meeting 3	December 1, 2012	Deadline for Submission	November 23, 2012
Meeting 4	January 19, 2013	Deadline for Submission	January 11, 2013
Meeting 5	March 9, 2013	Deadline for Submission	March 1, 2013
Meeting 6	June 1, 2013	Deadline for Submission	May 24, 2013

**CARRIED**

6. **GRADE 8 BOYS FOOTBALL – EXEMPTION TO SEASONS OF PLAY**

**WHEREAS**, the member schools on the North Shore have requested an exemption under Section E2 to allow their grade 8 teams to play in the spring season a practice that has been happening already.

**MOVED: {COLOMBO, (RIVERSIDE) / BUCHANAN, (CARSON GRAHAM)} BE IT RESOLVED** that Grade 8 boys football on the North Shore be exempt as per Section E2 and be allowed to play Grade 8 boys football in the spring season of play.

*Ian McDonald (Carson Graham) spoke for the resolution and stated that it had been accepted by their local athletic association.*

**CARRIED**

7. **GIRLS VOLLEYBALL TIERING CLASSIFICATION**

**WHEREAS**, the Sport Commission for girls Volleyball has determined a need to re-examine their tiering numbers based on the number of teams registered over the last several years

**And**

**WHEREAS**, a questionnaire sent out to all member schools with girls volleyball teams was supported by 92 schools or (83%) of those that chose to respond in support of the change to balance all tiers.

A = 1-80	change to	A= 1-70
AA = 81-160	change to	AA = 71-160
AAA= 161-250	change to	AAA=161-265
AAAA = >250	change to	AAAA >265

**MOVED: {COLOMBO, (RIVERSIDE) / ROUNIS, (CEDAR)} BE IT RESOLVED** that the girls volleyball commission be given approval to change their tiering numbers commencing in the fall of 2012 as noted above.

*Bill Rounis (Cedar) introduced the resolution, spoke about the balance of the numbers and stated that volleyball believed this model was the best for them.*

**CARRIED**

8. **CROSS COUNTRY – CREATION OF SEPARATE COMMISSION**

**WHEREAS**, in the past cross country issues were being voted on at the BC Track & Field Championships (out of cross country season by many Track & Field only coaches);

**And**

**WHEREAS**, moneys collected for Cross Country were not solely being spent on Cross Country;

**And**

**WHEREAS**, when Cross Country and/or Track & Field coaches were surveyed, 84 % wanted change including separate AGMs and separate financials;

**And**

**WHEREAS**, with the Cross Country and/or Track & Field coaches who wanted changed, 54% wanted to create two separate commissions;

**And**

**WHEREAS**, with the coaches most familiar with the Cross Country and/or Track & Field (10+ years of coaching experience), 60% wanted to create two separate commissions;

**MOVED: {WORSLEY, (ELGIN PARK) / CHAMPANGE (Fleetwood Park)} BE IT RESOLVED** that the sport of Cross Country be allowed to separate from Track and Field and exist as its own commission.

*Greg Worsley (Elgin Park) spoke in favour of the resolution, stating that it would allow two commissions to act on their own, in the appropriate season of play.*

**CARRIED**

**9. D5 STUDENT-ATHLETE GENDER**

**WHEREAS, there is a growing need for BCSS to be proactive on this issue**

**And**

**WHEREAS, BCSS has been approached 3 times on this issue in the past years;**

**MOVED: {COLOMBO, (RIVERSIDE) / THORNE, (PRINCE CHARLES)} BE IT RESOLVED**  
that section D5.1 be repealed and replaced with the following;

**AMENDMENT: {THORNE, (Prince Charles)}** To insert “in a different season of play” in the last sentence of D5.1.2.A

**AMENDMENT: {THORNE, (Prince Charles)}** To insert the word “transitioning” in D5.1.2.D.

**AMENDMENTS CARRIED**

D5.1 (1) With the exception of D5.1(2)

Female student-athletes may only play on a team designated as a “girls” sport, and male student-athletes may only play on a team designated as a “boys” sport. Both female and male student-athletes may compete on a team designated as a “coed” sport, in accordance with the sport-specific roster allocations.

(2) Notwithstanding rule D5.1(1), a student-athlete may be permitted to participate in a sex-segregated sport inconsistent with his or her sex in the following circumstances:

(a) A female student-athlete may play on a “boys” team if her school will not offer a girls team in that sport at the appropriate age level during the same school year. A letter from the Administrator confirming a girls team will not be offered must accompany the appropriate student-athlete Registration Form. If a female student-athlete plays on the appropriate age level boys’ team, she may not play on the more senior girls team **in a different season of play** during the same school year.

(b) A student-athlete may participate with the opposite sex in a sex-segregated sport on the basis that doing so would be consistent with his or her gender identity if the student-athlete’s application under D5.1(3) is granted.

D5.1(3) A student-athlete seeking eligibility pursuant to rule D5.1(2)(b) must make an application to the Eligibility Officer.

D5.1.1 Each application under Rule D5.1(3) must include the following:

(a) a written statement from the student-athlete and/or parent or guardian documenting a student-athlete’s consistent gender identification with the opposite sex;

(b) a professional opinion concerning the student-athletes gender identity from a physician, psychiatrist, psychologist or other professional with experience in gender identity health care; and

(c) any other information or documentation that may be pertinent to the eligibility officer’s decision and the application of the factors set out in D5.1.3.



D5.1.2 The Eligibility Officer shall consider the following factors together with any other factors that he/she considers reasonable when making a decision under rule D5.1(3):

- (a) Flexibility, and the student-athlete's privacy, will be prioritized in decision-making;
- (b) The importance of fair and equitable competition for all students participating in the sport in which the student is applying to participate;
- (c) Existing practices regarding female student-athletes' participation on boys' teams, as per Rule D5.1(1), are to be preserved;
- (d) An environment where intersex, **transitioning** and transgender students can exist and thrive should be provided; and

D5.1.3 The Eligibility Officer's decision is final and conclusive and shall not be appealed or judicially reviewed.

D5.1.4 Once a student-athlete has been granted eligibility under rule D5.1(3), his or her eligibility shall be effective for the duration of the student-athlete's participation in the sport and does not need to be renewed every sport season or school year.

D5.2 If there is a conflict between D5.1(1) or (2)(a) and a bylaw, rule or similar provision of a Sport Commission, the bylaw, rule or similar provision prevails."

**CARRIED**

**D) PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS FOR THE 2012 BCSS AGM FROM THE COMPETITIVE ISSUES COMMITTEE.**

**10. PART D: STUDENT-ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY**

**WHEREAS; in light of the recently completed needs assessment which has identified the current rules as not user friendly and not meeting the needs of the membership of today;**

**And**

**WHEREAS, rural areas in particular need the rules to be more adaptable to their ever changing population;**

**MOVED: {(THORNE, (PRINCE CHARLES) / COHEE, (ST. GEORGES)} be it resolved that section D of the competitive rules and regulations be reviewed and draft revisions be made by a committee which should include representation by our legal firm. All recommendations should then be made to the entire membership at the 2012-21013 AGM for ratification.**

*DISCUSSION*

*Sue Thorne (Prince Charles) spoke about the resolution in relation the recent needs assessment survey. Paul Eberhardt (RC Palmer) asked a clarifying question about the Competitive Issues Committee.*

**CARRIED**

**STUDENT-ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY RULES**

**A. INTRODUCTION**

## **PART D - STUDENT-ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY**

BCSS recognizes the right of all student-athletes to choose which school they attend and which subjects they study. BCSS, however, is charged with the responsibility of drafting, implementing and enforcing rules on eligibility for those student-athletes who seek the privilege of participating in interschool competition. The over-riding purpose of these rules is to ensure fair and equitable competition for all student-athletes participating in BCSS restricted competition.

### **SECTION D1: STUDENT-ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY**

Individual student-athletes must meet the applicable eligibility requirements of BCSS and any applicable Sport Commission gender-based equity rule to participate in restricted and unrestricted competition, and be listed on the appropriate Student-Athlete Registration Form to be eligible for competition (restricted and unrestricted).

**D1.1** Participation of an ineligible student-athlete in restricted and unrestricted competition will result in the following penalties [also see Section C5 - Violations of the Eligibility Policies for reporting procedure and appeal procedure]:

**D1.1.1** the Member School forfeits all restricted competition in which the ineligible student-athlete has participated, and

**D1.1.2** the Member School must pay a \$50 fine per student-athlete, per restricted competition, to a maximum of \$200.

**D1.2** The student-athlete may be ineligible because:

**D1.2.1** they are ineligible under Part D of these rules, or

**D1.2.2** the student-athlete may not be properly registered with the school team as per **C2.2** of these rules.

## **PRIMARY RULES - ALL STUDENT-ATHLETES MUST FULFILL THE FOLLOWING FUNDAMENTAL REQUIREMENTS**

### **SECTION D2: STUDENT-ATHLETES REGISTERED AT AND COMPETING FOR A MEMBER SCHOOL**

**D2.1** A student-athlete can only play for the Member School at which they are registered. Student-athletes must be in grades 8 - 12 at a BCSS Member School in order to compete in any BCSS-approved competitive activity.

**D2.1.1** An individual student-athlete is only eligible to compete in one (1) thirteen (13) week sanctioned season of play (restricted and unrestricted competition) per sport in each school year.

**D2.1.2** Statement Regarding the Student-athlete's Home School: the school at which the student-athlete is registered on the first (1st) day of their first (1st) year of eligibility is the student-athlete's "home school" and is the member school at which the student-athlete has athletic eligibility. The exception would be where a local district policy has prejudiced the student-athlete's ability to attend their new school on the first (1st) day of the new school year. A student-athlete's first (1st) year of eligibility is counted from the September of grade 8 entry, and starts on the first (1st) day of school in the applicable school year.

#### **D2.1.3 Student-athletes registered at more than one Member School**

(a) if a student-athlete is registered at two (2) schools the student-athlete may only participate in BCSS activities for the member school at which the student-athlete has the largest percentage of the credit load. This member school would be considered their 'home school'.

- (b) if the credit load at the two (2) member schools is equal, the student-athlete is eligible to participate for the member school at which the student-athlete first registered for a BCSS activity.
- (c) if, at any time during the student-athlete's second (2nd), third (3rd), fourth (4th), and fifth (5th) year of eligibility, the member school at which the student-athlete has the majority of his or her credit load changes, the school must establish eligibility at this member school by filing an Eligibility Application.

**COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS: Any request for an exemption to this rule must be submitted to the Eligibility Officer on an Eligibility Application form.**

**D2.2 FULL-TIME STUDENT -ATHLETE STATUS:** a student-athlete must be full-time as judged by the School Administrator based on a full-time course load of seventy-five percent (75%) or more within a school year with courses taken in the season of play in which the student-athlete competes. These may include correspondence or distributed learning courses that contribute toward secondary school graduation.

**COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS: No Exemptions will be made.**

**D2.3 GRADUATION:** the student-athlete must not have completed graduation requirements in the preceding school year or accepted a Senior Secondary Certificate of Graduation in the current school year. A student-athlete may complete graduation requirements within the school year, continue to take courses and remain eligible as long as they do not accept a Certificate of Standing, and they remain at their home school.

**COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS: No Exemptions will be made.**

### **SECTION D3: STUDENT-ATHLETE AGE AND COMPETITIVE LEVELS**

**D3.1 Senior Competition:** to compete in a senior competition, student-athletes must be under nineteen (19) years of age as of December 31st of the current school year, and be in no more than their fifth (5th) year of eligibility (student-athletes born in **1993** or earlier are NOT eligible for any competition in **2012-2013**. Grade 8 entry date must be September **2008** or later).

**D3.2 Grade Ten (10) or Junior Competition:** to compete in a grade ten (10) or junior competition, student-athletes must be under seventeen (17) years of age as of December 31st of the current school year, and be in no more than their third (3rd) year of eligibility (student-athletes born in **1995** or earlier are too old for junior competition in **2012-2013**. Grade 8 entry date must be September **2010** or later).

**D3.3 Grade Nine (9) or Juvenile Competition:** to compete in a grade nine (9) or juvenile competition, student-athletes must be under sixteen (16) years of age as of December 31st of the current school year, and be in no more than their second (2nd) year of eligibility (student-athletes born in **1996** or earlier are too old for grade 9 competition in **2012-2013**. Grade 8 entry date must be September **2011** or later).

**D3.4 Grade Eight (8) or Bantam Competition:** to compete in a grade eight (8) or Bantam competition, student-athletes must be under fifteen (15) years of age as of December 31st of the current school year, and be in their first (1st) year of eligibility (student-athletes born in **1997** or earlier are too old for grade 8 competition in **2012-2013**. Grade 8 entry date must be September **2012**).

**COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS: No exemptions will be made.**

### **SECTION D4: NUMBER OF YEARS OF ELIGIBILITY**

**D4.1 Five (5) Years Eligibility:** Student-athletes have five (5) consecutive years of athletic program eligibility, starting on the entry date into grade 8. A year is considered to be the twelve (12) month period between September of one (1) school year and September of the next school year.

**D4.2** If a Student-athlete doesn't Participate: if a student-athlete chooses not to participate during one (1) or more years of the five (5) year period, or is not on a team roster during one (1) or more years of the five (5) year period, or leaves school (withdraws) for a time period during the five (5) year eligibility time period, that time period will still count toward the five (5) years of eligibility.

**D4.3** Ungraded Student-athletes: for ungraded student-athletes in schools where it is difficult to determine when a student-athlete entered grade 8 (e.g.: middle school, K - 10, K - 12 schools), the student-athlete will be considered to be a grade 8 student-athlete in the school year commencing in September of the calendar year in which the student-athlete becomes thirteen (13) years of age.

**D4.4** Request for Extension of Five (5) Years Eligibility Due To Lost School for Medical Reasons: if a significant portion of a school year is lost due to illness or accident, the Member School may appeal on the student-athlete's behalf to have up to one (1) year of eligibility restored. Medical documentation must show that the loss of an academic year due to medical reasons resulted in the student-athlete having to repeat a grade and prevented the normal five (5) year progression through school. The eligibility time restored will not include any seasons of play in which the student-athlete had been enrolled in school during the academic school year in question. The appeal must include medical documentation, academic records and absentee records for the school(s). No student-athlete will be granted a sixth (6th) year of eligibility in any sport he/ she has already participated in for part or all of five (5) seasons. Nor will that student-athlete be granted a sixth (6th) year of eligibility if they have participated in any part of both a fourth (4th) and fifth (5th) year of eligibility.

**D4.5** Eligibility Calendar for Families Moving to British Columbia: a student-athlete whose family is coming into British Columbia from another province or another country is eligible for five (5) years from their date of entry into grade 8 or the grade 8 equivalents in their previous place(s) of residence. If documentation is unavailable, a combination of age and grade level as determined by the School will determine the student-athlete's year of eligibility.

**COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS: Any request for an exception to this rule must be submitted to the Eligibility Officer using an Eligibility Application Form.**

#### **SECTION D5: RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS**

Student-Athletes must fulfill one of the following residency requirements:

- a) Reside with a parent or parents.
- b) Reside with a Legal Guardian – this must have been in place for 12 months prior to the period for which eligibility is sought.
- c) Must be a 'ward of the Province' and assigned to an individual or family by the Ministry of Children.
- d) Must be attending a non-public school as a 'residing full time boarding student'.

**COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS: Any request for an exception to this rule must be submitted to the Eligibility Officer using an Eligibility Application Form.**

#### **B. SECONDARY RULES - THE FOLLOWING RULES MAY APPLY FOR THOSE STUDENT-ATHLETES WHO HAVE FULFILLED THE FUNDAMENTAL ELIGIBILITY RULES CONTAINED IN THE PREVIOUS SECTIONS**

##### **SECTION D6: JOINTLY SPONSORED TEAMS**

There is merit in allowing student-athletes to participate in sports programs that are not offered at their home school due to insufficient numbers in small rural or isolated communities.

**A school may not receive student-athletes for a specific team from more than one school.**

**D6.1** When an application is granted, the tiering classification of the joint team will be determined by the combined population of the two (2) schools forming the joint team.

**D6.2** Once a student-athlete plays on a joint school team, they are attached to that team in that sport for the remainder of their 5 years of eligibility. The exception being that if the student-athlete's home school creates a team, the student-athlete will play for their home school team.

**COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS:**

- 1. It is a BCSS expectation that the two schools requesting approval for a 'Jointly Sponsored Team' are neighboring schools within an athletic association.**
- 2. Mutual consent of both member school's administrators and athletic directors.**
- 3. Consent of the local athletic association.**
- 4. Any request for an exception to this rule must be submitted to the Eligibility Officer using an Eligibility Application Form.**

**SECTION D7: STUDENT-ATHLETE GENDER**

Female student-athletes can only play on a team designated as a "girls" sport, and male student-athletes can only play on a team designated as a "boys" sport. Both genders can compete on a team designated as a "coed" sport, in accordance with the sport-specific roster allocations. The only exception to this rule is that female student-athletes may play on a "boys" team only if their school will not offer a girls team in that sport at the appropriate age level during the same school year. A letter from the Administrator confirming a girls' team will not be offered must accompany the appropriate Student-athlete Registration Form. If a girl plays on the appropriate age level boys' team, she may not play on the more senior girls' team during the same school year.

**COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS: Any request for an exception to this rule must be submitted to the Eligibility Officer using an Eligibility Application Form.**

**SECTION D8: HOME STUDY, DISTRIBUTED LEARNING AND ALTERNATE SCHOOL STUDENT-ATHLETES may compete for the last school they were registered as full-time students or for the school in whose catchment area they reside.**

**COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS: Any request for an exception to this rule must be submitted to the Eligibility Officer using an Eligibility Application Form.**

**SECTION D9: TRANSFERS**

**TRANSFER GUIDELINES**

1. It is the BCSS expectation that a Student-Athlete transferring for an acceptable reason will do so to the next closest school providing the program (academically or athletically) that he/she requires.
2. Academic Transfers must be for a 'District Approved program' not an individual course or a collection of individual courses. The program must be preparation for student-athletes post-secondary aspirations.
3. A student-athlete who has transferred to a 'boarding school' after having established his/her home school at the beginning of grade eight may not compete for a period of twelve months in any sport (restricted or unrestricted) they played during the twelve months from the date of transfer.

**A student-athlete who transfers from his/her "home-school" after the first (1st ) day of his/her first (1st) year of eligibility (Grade 8) is ineligible for a period of twelve (12) months from the date of transfer to participate in restricted and unrestricted competition in any school sport(s) in which he/she was registered for a member school in the twelve (12) months prior to the date of transfer unless one (1) of the conditions in D12.3.1-D12.3.11 is met (May, 2011):**

### **D9.1 Student-athlete advancing to a More Senior School:**

- (a) a student-athlete graduating from a middle school or junior secondary school may proceed to the school into which his/her middle school or junior secondary school normally feeds, without any restrictions.
- (b) notwithstanding D12.3.1(a) above, a student-athlete graduating from a middle school / junior secondary may proceed to any other public school in the same school district, as long as District policy is followed.
- (c) a student-athlete at a non-public school may advance to a public school offering senior grades, as per the normal catchment boundaries of the school district in which the student-athlete resides.

**COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS: None**

### **D9.2 New School Constructed, School District Reorganized or School is closed.**

**COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS: A 'Mass Eligibility Application' must be submitted to the Eligibility Officer using an Eligibility Application form.**

### **D9.3 Change of Principal Residence**

The student-athlete and his or her parent(s) or legal guardian(s) [See Definitions] have changed their principal residence in the previous twelve (12) months.

Any change in residence must be bona fide. Determination of what constitutes a bona fide change of residence depends upon the facts of each case. In order to be considered bona fide, a minimum of the following facts must exist:

1. The original residence must be abandoned as a residence; that is,
  - sold
  - rented
  - not used as a residence by any member of the family.
2. The entire family must make the change and take with them household goods and furniture appropriate to the circumstances.
3. The change must be made with the intent that it is permanent.
  - (a) Move within the Same Public School District: if the new principal residence is within the boundaries of the same school district, the student-athlete can remain eligible by not changing schools, or will be immediately eligible at the public school into whose catchment boundaries the family has moved
  - (b) Move into a Different Public School District: if the parents' or legal guardians' new principal residence is in a different public school district, the student-athlete will be eligible at any public school in the new district in accordance with school district policy concerning student-athlete placements, or will be eligible at any non-public school whose main school building is located within the geographical boundaries of the new public school district.

**COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS: Completion of a Change of Principal Residence form (new) must be approved as accurate by the school administrator and then forwarded to the BCSS main office. Any change of primary residence form that appears questionable will be referred to the Eligibility Officer for review. The Eligibility Officer may require additional information.**

#### **D9.4 Parent to Parent Move**

The student-athlete transfers from one (1) school to another school in order to reside with the parent with whom he/she has not been living. Only two (2) transfers for the purpose of moving from parent to parent are allowed after the first day of the student-athlete's first (1st) year of eligibility. Any change in residence must be bona fide. If the move is within the same school district, the eligible transfer must be to the school nearest to where the receiving parent lives. If the move is from within the boundaries of one (1) school district into another, the student-athlete will be eligible at any public or non-public school within the geographical boundaries of the new school district.

**COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS: Submission of a parent to parent move form must be submitted and signed off by the school administrator and then forwarded to BCSS main office.**

#### **D9.5 Move to Legal Guardian**

The rules in **D9.4** apply with necessary changes where a student-athlete moves from any living circumstance to live with a legal guardian. The student-athlete does not become eligible under this category until all compliance requirements have been met.

The legal guardian must also have supported or maintained the child for the previous twelve (12) months.

**COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS: Court documents must be submitted to the BCSS Office after the twelve (12) month waiting period has lapsed.**

#### **D9.6 Ward of the Province**

The student-athlete who transfers is a ward of the province and whose move has been arranged by the province:

#### **COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS:**

- (1) the receiving school must submit a letter from the School Administrator confirming that the placement has been arranged by the ministry having jurisdiction or the government agency responsible for the student-athlete. This letter will include the time of the move, the location of the new residence, and that participation in school sports was not a factor in the placement.**
- (2) the receiving school must also confirm that the residence of the family or the residence in which the student-athlete has been placed is within the catchment area boundaries of the school.**

#### **D9.7 Incoming Exchange Student-Athlete**

A student-athlete who transfers into a BCSS Member School as an incoming exchange student-athlete is eligible to compete for the receiving school provided the student-athlete meets all of the fundamental requirements of eligibility.

#### **D9.8 Incoming International Student-athletes**

A student-athlete who transfers into a BCSS Member School as an incoming international student is eligible to compete for the receiving school if they meet all of the following conditions:

- (a) the student-athletes transfers into British Columbia from a country other than Canada or the United States.**
- (b) the incoming student-athlete will be enrolled at the receiving school for at least a consecutive five (5) month or one (1) semester period.**
- (c) the Superintendent of the school district or their district designate responsible for the international student program shall verify in writing that:**

i) the acceptance of the student-athlete and placement of the student-athlete in a particular school is based solely on academic criteria, and not for the purpose of participating in athletics.

**COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS: An International Student-Athlete Form must be submitted to the Executive Director.**

#### **D9.10 Financial Hardship**

The student-athlete has been forced to leave a non-public school specifically due to financial hardship.

**COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS: Any request for an exception to this rule must be submitted to the Eligibility Officer using an Eligibility Application Form.**

#### **SECTION D10: SPORT SPECIFIC EDUCATION PROGRAM**

A sport specific education program combines education with specific sport instruction/education for curriculum credit. The sport specific education program allows for sport specific training, instruction and/or competition; provides sport skills training in a targeted sport; provides other training/ education such as but not limited to weight training, sport nutrition, or mental training to support the targeted sport. A student-athlete is considered to be enrolled in a sport specific education program if:

**D10.1** a student-athlete is enrolled in a catchment/home school for a sport specific education program and the student-athlete receives five (5) or more credits for educational courses of specific sports instruction.

**D10.2** a student-athlete is enrolled in a non-catchment school for a sport-specific education program and the student-athlete receives four (4) or more credits for an educational course of specific sports instruction.

Student-athlete Transfers for SSEP:

- (a) **any student-athlete in their first (1st), second (2nd), third (3rd), fourth (4th), or fifth (5th) year of eligibility** transferring into a sport-specific education program is ineligible to participate in BCSS competition in the sport in which they receive specific sports instruction.

**COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS: No exemptions will be made.**

### **C. ELIGIBILITY APPLICATION AND APPEAL PROCEDURES**

#### **SECTION D11: ELIGIBILITY APPLICATIONS**

**D11.1** Where a student-athlete is ineligible for competition pursuant to the Competitive Rules and Regulations, the member school may apply for an exemption for the student-athlete in accordance with this section.

**D11.2** An application under D13.1 shall be submitted by the member school to the 'Eligibility Officer' through the BCSS office.

**D11.3** The application shall contain:

- (a) a completed and signed BCSS Eligibility Application Form;
- (b) if the ineligibility arises from a school transfer, a letter from the Administrator of the student-athlete's former school confirming that the school is aware of the exemption application and indicating whether the school supports or objects to an exemption, together with its reasons;
- (c) a copy of the student-athlete's personal record card (public schools), or report cards and transcripts (non-public schools);
- (d) a list of the student-athlete's current courses;



- (e) a copy of a primary source document showing the student-athlete's date of birth (e.g., birth certificate, passport, baptismal certificate, permanent resident card, provincial ID card);
- (f) a letter from the student-athlete's parent or legal guardian supporting the application;
- (g) copies of relevant medical documentation where the application is based on medical grounds; and,
- (h) any other information or material the school wants the Eligibility Officer to consider.

**D11.4** The applicant school shall submit a \$50.00 application fee with each application.

**D11.5** The Eligibility Officer may request further information from the applicant school.

**D11.6** There is no right to a teleconference or oral hearing before the Eligibility Officer.

**D11.7** The Eligibility Officer may allow or deny the application, having regard to the following principles

- a) the primary purpose of the eligibility criteria in the Competitive Rules and Regulations is to promote fair and equitable competition for all student-athletes participating in BCSS competition;
- (b) in the case of school transfers, although there are many bona fide reasons why a student-athlete might change schools, an exemption should almost invariably not be granted in respect of a transfer for the purpose of playing a sport still offered by the student-athlete's former school; and,
- ~~(c) an exemption shall be granted where the Eligibility Officer is satisfied that:~~
  - ~~i) The student-athlete has transferred schools for a bona fide academic reason;~~
  - ~~ii) The student-athlete has transferred schools because of financial hardship; or,~~
  - ~~iii) In any other case, the exemption would not unduly prejudice the BCSS goal of fair and equitable competition.~~

**D11.8** The Eligibility Officer shall issue a written ruling to the applicant school (to the attention of the Administrator and the Athletic Director) either allowing or denying the application, and containing a brief summary of the reasons for the decision.

**D11.9** Subject to D10.21, if the Eligibility Officer allows the application, the student-athlete becomes eligible for competition on the date the decision is issued, provided, however, that the student-athlete's eligibility remains otherwise subject to the Competitive Rules and Regulations.

**D11.10** It is the responsibility of the applicant school to notify the student-athlete and the student-athlete's parent(s) or legal guardian(s) of the decision of the Eligibility Officer and of any requests or other communications from the Eligibility Officer.

**D11.11** A member school may appeal a decision under D13.8 denying an exemption application, in accordance with this section.

**D11.12** An appeal under D13.11 shall be in writing and shall be submitted to the BCSS head office for forwarding to the Eligibility Appeals Committee (the "EAC") at least eight (8) school days before the next scheduled meeting of the EAC.

**D11.13** The appeal shall contain:

- (a) A completed and signed BCSS Eligibility Application;
- (b) Copies of all of the materials submitted to the Eligibility Officer;
- (c) A cheque for \$200.00 which is refundable if the appeal is allowed; and,
- (d) Any other information or material that the school wants the EAC to consider.

**D11.14** The EAC may request further information from the applicant school.

**D11.15** There is no right to a teleconference or oral hearing before the EAC.

**D11.16** The EAC may allow or dismiss the appeal, having regard to the principles set out in D8.7.

**D11.17** The EAC may substitute its views for that of the Eligibility Officer.

**D11.18** The EAC shall issue a written ruling to the applicant school (to the attention of the Administrator and the Athletic Director) either allowing or dismissing the appeal and containing a brief summary of the reasons for the decision.

**D11.19** Subject to D13.21, if the EAC allows the appeal, the student-athlete becomes eligible for competition on the date the decision is issued, provided, however, that the student-athlete's eligibility remains otherwise subject to the Competitive Rules and Regulations.

**D11.20** It is the responsibility of the applicant school to notify the student-athlete and the student-athlete's parent(s) or legal guardian(s) of the decision of the EAC and of any requests or other communications from the EAC.

**D11.21** Where an exemption is granted by the Eligibility Officer or by the EAC on the basis of a transfer for an academic reason, the exemption shall cease to have effect if the student-athlete withdraws from the program, group of courses or other academic offering underlying the exemption, unless and until the Eligibility Officer, on written application by the school, confirms the exemption.

**D11.22** The decisions of the EAC under D13.18 and the Eligibility Officer under D13.8 are final and binding and shall not be questioned or reviewed in any court or tribunal, and no order shall be made or process entered or proceeding taken in any court or tribunal whether by way of injunction, declaration, prohibition or otherwise to question, review, prohibit or restrain the proceedings.

It is the intention of BCSS and its members that, to the extent permitted by law, all matters concerning its Competitive Rules and Regulations be private matters not subject to any form of adjudication by any court or tribunal.

The Eligibility Appeals Committee will meet for the school year in 2012-2013 as noted below:

Meeting 1	September 22, 2012	Deadline for Submission	September 14, 2012
Meeting 2	October 13, 2012	Deadline for Submission	October 5, 2012
Meeting 3	December 1, 2012	Deadline for Submission	November 23, 2012
Meeting 4	January 19, 2013	Deadline for Submission	January 11, 2013
Meeting 5	March 9, 2013	Deadline for Submission	March 1, 2013
Meeting 6	June 1, 2013	Deadline for Submission	May 24, 2013

**E) PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS FOR THE 2012 BCSS AGM SUBMITTED BY BCSS MEMBERSHIP**

**11. ELIGIBILITY RULE D12.3**

**WHEREAS, Home school should not be determined (for Eligibility purposes) until students reach high school. The present rule does not take into account that many high schools in the province do not start at Grade 8. It is not reasonable to expect students and their parents in these areas of the province ( with Middle schools instead of gr 8 -12 High**

Schools) to make a decision in grade 5, as to which middle school they need to position themselves in, to establish a “home school” and be eligible for a High School experience that includes interschool sports.

And

**WHEREAS, “1. The aims and objectives of the Society shall be in complete harmony with the aims of education as set forth by the Ministry of Education”.**

The present aims of the Ministry are to allow students to choose the school that will meet their unique educational goals. Districts do not force students to attend the school in their catchment area- Districts work with students to transition to High schools, and BCSS rules should work in harmony within this same transition period (students should not be asked to finalize their choice of high school before this is facilitated at the school level

And

**WHEREAS, Although it is understood that fairness can be compromised when students transfer schools especially once they have begun to participate in a particular team program, we should not expect students to be fully committed to their educational path prior to reaching High school.**

**MOVED: {MELDRUM, (MT DOUGLAS), / CRIGHTON, (SPENCER)} BE IT RESOLVED** that policy D12.3 be changed to read:

... Subject to D13 a student athlete who transfers from his/her home school after the first day of his/her entry into a High School, is ineligible for a period of 12 months from the date of transfer, to participate in restricted competition in any school sports in which he/she has participated in the 12 months prior to the date of transfer, unless one of the conditions in D12.3.1 – D12.3.11 is met.

B1.1.1 No coach, administrator, athletic director/athletic coordinator, other students, boosters, teachers, parents alumni and community club coaches shall either directly or indirectly influence or recruit a student- athlete.

#### *DISCUSSION*

*Discussion for this resolution centered on whether students in certain district, e.g. LVISSA, were unfairly burdened by making decisions too early about which high school to attend.*

*Ken Lowe (Belmont), Cheri Crighton (Spencer), Heather Lederis (LVISSA) and Gerry Karvelis (NSSSAA) spoke in favour of the resolution.*

*Jason Reedyk (Vernon Christian), Rob Colombo (Riverside), Steve Grant (Penticton) spoke against the resolution.*

**DEFEATED**

## **12. NON-PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENT ATHLETES**

**WHEREAS, BC School Sports (according to Article II regarding Purpose of BC School Sports) is a regulating body which provides leadership and service to school sports. BC School Sports represents all school bodies including public, private, alternative, and home-schools. Rules should be amended and revised in order to best serve all schools while maintaining integrity and fairness between member schools.**

And

**WHEREAS, current rules do not allow student-athletes attending small Non-Public Schools, that are unable to field a team due to insufficient numbers, to compete at the nearest Public School.**

And

**WHEREAS, there are exceptions that provide opportunities for Student-Athletes who attend Public and Non-Public Schools in small, rural or isolated communities (D4.5), Home-Schooled**

**Student-Athletes (D8), Distributed Learning Student-Athletes (D9), as well as Francophone Student-Athletes (D10) to compete in BCSS approved sports**

**And**

**WHEREAS, Student-Athletes are Home-Schooled by choice and Student-Athletes attend Francophone Schools by choice as do Student-Athletes who attend Non-Public Schools.**

**MOVED: {(MCKAGUE (COMOX VALLEY CHRISTIAN), STREET (GP VANIER)) BE IT RESOLVED** that Student-Athletes attending small Non-Public Schools may compete for the nearest Public /school if the Non-Public does not have a team.

*DISCUSSION*

*Discussion about how the resolution promotes participation, and discussion about the wording of “non-public”. Chris McKague (Comox Valley Christian) and Jason Reedyk (Vernon Christian) spoke for the resolution. Blaine Melnyk (Immaculata) spoke against the resolution.*

**DEFEATED**

**13. GRADE 7 STUDENT ATHLETES**

**WHEREAS, Grade 7s are only allowed to play at the Bantam level when there is not enough grade 8's to form a team but numbers cannot exceed the numbers of grade 8's on a team or cannot exceed numbers that make minimum requirements to be called a team.**

**MOVED: {(LOWE (SPARWOOD), JOHNSON (FERNIE)) BE IT RESOLVED** that when grade 7's are attending a 7-12 school they be allowed to play at the Bantam level regardless of numbers and that this year of eligibility will not affect the total of 5 years of overall eligibility.

*Discussion*

*Discussion focused on the process for Grade 7s to play on a high school team, their maturation and the support for this resolution by member schools in the Kootenays.*

*Sue Thorne (Prince Charles) spoke in favour of the resolution. Ian MacDonald (Carson Graham, Wrestling) and Mike Munsie (DW Poppy) spoke against the resolution.*

**DEFEATED**

**14. SENIOR BOYS SOCCER PROVINCIALS**

**WHEREAS, the public school boys soccer teams in the 'A' tier have not been competitive at the Provincial level and rarely qualify for the Provincial tournament in some zones due to the dominance of the private schools in this tier.**

**MOVED: {(MORRISON (NAKUSP), MCKINNON (ROSSLAND)) BE IT RESOLVED** that the public schools boys' soccer teams in the 'A' tier have their own provincial tournament.

*DISCUSSION*

*There was an in-depth discussion on this topic regarding the number of independent schools who have won the A championships, and BCSS's philosophy in regards to participation and all inclusive championships.*

*Paul Selina (Pemberton) and Glenn Johnston (Sentinel) spoke in favour of the resolution. Blaine Melnyk (Immaculata), Ross Ballard (Little Flower), Claude Leduc (Mulgrave), Lance Hurtubise (Holy Cross), John Phillip (Ballenas), Len De Julius (St. John Brebeuf) and Bill Rounis (Cedar) spoke against the resolution. The parliamentarian asked to close debate and that was carried by the assembly.*

15. **RESOLUTION TO REPLACE D8-9 (TABLED)**

**WHEREAS, Section D9 (Distributed Learning School Student-Athletes and/or Virtual Delivery Student-Athletes) deals with Home Study Student-Athletes.**

**And**

**WHEREAS, the terms ‘Distributed Learning’ and ‘Virtual Delivery’ refer to the method whereby some ‘Home Study Student-Athletes’ receive their instruction.**

**MOVED: {(COLOMBO, (RIVERSIDE) / THORNE, (PRINCE CHARLES)} BE IT RESOLVED** that Section D9 be removed and Section D8 be replaced with the following;

**Section D8: Home Study Student-Athletes (including Distributed Learning and Virtual Delivery Student-Athletes).**

**D8.1** A Home Study Student is eligible to compete only if one of the following conditions, and the requirements indicated later in this section, are met:

**D8.1.1** Student-Athletes who have never attended a BC Middle School, Junior Secondary School, Secondary School or Non-Public School:

- a) The Student-Athlete is immediately eligible to compete for any school.

**D8.1.2** Student-Athletes who previously attended a BC Middle School, Junior Secondary School, Secondary School or Non-Public School:

- a) The Student-Athlete is immediately eligible to compete for the most recent BCSS member school (home school) at which they were enrolled.
- b) An Eligibility Application will have to be submitted to the Eligibility Officer to compete for a school other than that of his/her initial eligibility while still registered as a Home Study Student.

**D8.1.3** Student-Athletes whose families have moved into a new school district at, or after, the start of their first (1<sup>st</sup>) year of eligibility.

- a) The Student-Athlete is immediately eligible to compete for any school.

**D8.2 COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS:**

- a) **A Home Study Student-Athlete registered at a school that provides educational instruction and/or educational materials by any means (including, but not limited to, correspondence courses, distributed learning or virtual delivery educational materials) is eligible to compete for a BCSS Member School only if the ‘school’ providing that instruction or those learning materials is a member of BCSS and provides written permission for the Student-Athlete to compete for another Member School and,**
- b) **The School District (Public Schools), School Board or equivalent (Non-Public Schools), must have a published policy (as per the Public School Act) that allows Home Study Student-Athletes to participate in extra-curricular activities at the school at which they are registered and a copy of said policy must be submitted to the BCSS Office and,**

- c) **The Administrator, Athletic Director, sport-specific coach of the school for which the Student-Athlete wishes to compete and Parents must submit a letter supporting the Student-Athlete's participation, and**
- d) **The Student-Athlete meets ALL BCSS eligibility criteria.  
All of the foregoing requirements must be met before a Student-Athlete may participate in games.**
- e) **The Student-Athlete actively trains, and participates, with the sport-specific team.**

**MOVED: {(COLOMBO, (RIVERSIDE) to withdraw the motion.**

**CARRIED, MOTION WITHDRAWN**

**6. CLOSING REMARKS**

Raj Puri thanked the outgoing board members and introduced the new Board of Directors.

**7. NEW BUSINESS:**

Sean Lamoureux presented the Honour Award to Randy Semenoff and Raj Puri.

**8. ADJOURNMENT:**

**MOVED: {JOE MORIERA (MOUNT SENTINEL)} THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED.**

**CARRIED**

## Delegates

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Zone Name	School Name	Voting Delegate	School Vote
Zone B - Okanagan	AL Fortune	Ray Norstam	0
Zone G - Fraser Valley	Abbotsford Christian	Vince Van Dyk	1
Zone G - Fraser Valley	Abbotsford Collegiate	Jay Fujimara	1
Zone E - Vancouver Island	Ballenas	John Philip	1
Zone E - Vancouver Island	Belmont	Ken Lowe	1
Zone F - Lower Mainland	Bodwell	Jim Burnett	1
Zone E - Vancouver Island	Brentwood College	Blake Gage	1
Zone D - Northwest Zone	Bulkley Valley	Ron Van Driel	1
Zone F - Lower Mainland	Burnaby South	John Tyler	1
Zone F - Lower Mainland	Carson Graham	Ian McDonald	1
Zone E - Vancouver Island	Cedar Secondary	Bill Rounis	1
Zone E - Vancouver Island	Cedar Hill Middle	Tom Aerts	1
Zone E - Vancouver Island	Comox Valley Christian	Chris McKaga	1
Zone G - Fraser Valley	DW Poppy	Mike Munsie	1
Zone E - Vancouver Island	Dover Bay	Dave Nelson	1
Zone G - Fraser Valley	Elgin Park	Greg Worsley	1
Zone G - Fraser Valley	Fleetwood Park	Mike Sweeney	1
Zone E - Vancouver Island	G.P. Vanier	Murray McRae	1
Zone G - Fraser Valley	Gleneagle Secondary	Patty Anderson	1
Zone E - Vancouver Island	Glenlyon-Norfolk	Sandy Drever	1
Zone B - Okanagan	Glenrosa	Hal Hennenfent	1
Zone F - Lower Mainland	Guildford Park	Ken Strain	1
Zone G - Fraser Valley	Holy Cross	Lance Hurtubise	1
Zone B - Okanagan	Immaculata High school	Blaine Melnyk	1
Zone F - Lower Mainland	John Oliver	Pat Lee	1
Zone B - Okanagan	Kamloops Christian	Michelle Liebe	1
Zone B - Okanagan	Kelowna Secondary	Fane Triggs	1
Zone F - Lower Mainland	LA Matheson Secondary	Simon Mah	1
Zone G - Fraser Valley	Langley Christian School	Matt Van Muyen	1

Zone F - Lower Mainland	Little Flower	Ross Ballard	1
Zone G - Fraser Valley	MEI Secondary	Rick Thiessen	1
Zone G - Fraser Valley	Maple Ridge	Lorne Ward	1
Zone E - Vancouver Island	Monterey Middle School	Deb Whitten	1
Zone A - Kootenays	Mt. Sentinel	Joe Moreira	1
Zone F - Lower Mainland	Mulgrave	Claude Leduc	1
Zone F - Lower Mainland	Notre Dame	Dennis Pavan	1
Zone G - Fraser Valley	Pacific Academy	Malcolm Campbell	1
Zone B - Okanagan	Penticton Secondary	Steve Grant	1
Zone A - Kootenays	Prince Charles	Sue Thorne	1
Zone F - Lower Mainland	R.A. McMath	Gayle Guest	1
Zone F - Lower Mainland	R.C. Palmer	Paul Eberhardt	1
Zone F - Lower Mainland	Richmond	Ryan Brandlmayr	1
Zone G - Fraser Valley	Riverside	Rob Colombo	1
Zone B - Okanagan	Rutland Sr	John Wasilenko	1
Zone B - Okanagan	Sa-Hali	Jody Vosper	1
Zone G - Fraser Valley	Samuel Robertson	Mike Keenan	1
Zone F - Lower Mainland	Sentinel Secondary	Glenn Johnston	1
Zone E - Vancouver Island	Shawnigan Lake	Mark Hall	1
Zone G - Fraser Valley	Southpointe Academy	Robert McCall	1
Zone G - Fraser Valley	Southridge School	James Porpaczy	1
Zone E - Vancouver Island	Spencer	Cheri Crighton	1
Zone F - Lower Mainland	St. Georges	Richard Cohee	1
Zone B - Okanagan	St. Ann's	Byron Green	1
Zone G - Fraser Valley	St. John Brebeuf	Len De Julius	1
Zone F - Lower Mainland	St. Johns School	Jonathan Kinman	1
Zone G - Fraser Valley	Terry Fox	Rhonda Trunkfield	1
Zone G - Fraser Valley	Unity Christian	Mark Huberts	1
Zone B - Okanagan	Valleyview Secondary	AnneMarie Watts	1
Zone F - Lower Mainland	Vancouver College	Scott Vass	1
Zone F - Lower Mainland	Vancouver Technical	Mike Allina	1
Zone B - Okanagan	Vernon Christian	Jason Reedyk	1



Zone G - Fraser Valley	W.J. Mouat	Travis Bell	1
Zone B - Okanagan	W.L. Seaton	Ralph Stevens	1
Zone G - Fraser Valley	White Rock Christian Academy	Kelli Niemi	1
Zone F - Lower Mainland	Windsor	Alec Lewis	1
		Total VOTES	64

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### ***OBSERVERS***

<b>ORGANIZATION NAME</b>	<b>AFFILIATION</b>	<b>AGM DELEGATE</b>	<b>ADDRESS</b>	<b>CITY</b>	<b>PROV.</b>	<b>P Code</b>
BC School Sports	Executive Director	Sue Keenan	21821 122nd Avenue	Maple Ridge	BC	V2X 3X2
BC School Sports	Membership Coord.	Sharon Becker	21822 122nd Avenue	Maple Ridge	BC	V2X 3X3
BC School Sports	Admin. Asst.	Jim Johnstone	21823 122nd Avenue	Maple Ridge	BC	V2X 3X4
BC School Sports	Eligibility Officer	Don Wallace	21824 122nd Avenue	Maple Ridge	BC	V2X 3X5
BC School Sports	Sport Administrator	Christine Bradstock	21824 122nd Avenue	Maple Ridge	BC	V2X 3X5
BCSS -Board of Directors	President	Raj Puri	15945-96 Ave	Surrey	BC	V4N 2R8
BCSS -Board of Directors	2nd Vice President	Rob Colombo	2215 Reeve Street	Port Coquitlam	BC	V3C 4K8
BCSS -Board of Directors	Director	Sue Thorne	Box 4000	Creston	BC	V0B 1G0
BCSS -Board of Directors	SD#36	Kim Eagle	14178 18 Ave.	Surrey	BC	V4A 6T5
BCSS	Rep.	Andy Gilbert	725 Uplands Heights	Vernon	BC	
BCP/VPA - BCSS Board	So. Kamloops Sec.	Sean Lamoureux	821 Munro Steet	Kamloops	BC	V2C 3E9
LVISSA	School District Rep.	Heather Lederis	4980 Wesley Road	Victoria	BC	V8Y 1Y9
LVISSA	Executive	Darren Reisig	4980 Wesley Road	Victoria	BC	
BCCPAC	Rep.	Terry Berting	#25-9201 Forest Grove	Burnaby	BC	
FVAAA	Rep.	Barb Kroeker	303 Henlock St.	Chilliwack	BC	
Cross Country	Rep.	Nancy Chapage	8186 153A St.	Surrey	BC	
Surrey School District	Surrey	Glenn Young	7532-134 A Street	Surrey	BC	V3W 7J1

BCSS Curling Assoc.	Commissioner	Moe Williams	1699 Platt Cres.	North Vancouver	BC	V7J 1X9
BCSS Curling Assoc.	Commissioner	Janet Dunkin	3230 Royal Avenue	North Vancouver	BC	V7K 1Y8
BCSS Rugby Union	Rep.	Brian Lynch	2-1925 Indian River Cres.	North Vancouver	BC	V7G 2P7
Parliamentarian	Guest	Barry Lynch	1261 Nestor Street	Coquitlam	BC	V3E 1H4
<b>Total Observers</b>		<b>18</b>				

**REGISTERED VOTES**

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Zone Name	School Name	Voting Delegate	School Vote	Proxies	Proxy/School Name
Zone B - Okanagan	AL Fortune	Ray Norstam		1	Pleasant Valley
				1	Charles Bloom
				1	Len Wood Middle
Zone G - Fraser Valley	Abbotsford Christian	Vince Van Dyk	1		
Zone G - Fraser Valley	Abbotsford Collegiate	Jay Fujimara	1		
Zone E - Vancouver Island	Ballenas	John Philip	1		
Zone E - Vancouver Island	Belmont	Ken Lowe	1	1	Stellys
				1	Claremont
				1	Oak Bay
				1	Edward Milne
				1	Victoria High School
				1	St. Andrews
				1	Parkland
				1	Lambrick Park
				1	Spectrum Community
				1	Reynolds
				1	St. Michaels
				1	Mount Douglas
Zone F - Lower Mainland	Bodwell	Jim Burnett	1		
Zone E - Vancouver Island	Brentwood College	Blake Gage	1		
Zone D - Northwest Zone	Bulkley Valley	Ron Van Driel	1	1	Ebenezer Reformed

				1	Centennial Christian
				1	Houston Christian
				1	Mount Elizabeth
				1	Caledonia
				1	Smithers
				1	Skeena Jr.
				1	Hazelton
Zone F - Lower Mainland	Burnaby South	John Tyler	1		
Zone F - Lower Mainland	Carson Graham	Ian McDonald	1		
Zone E - Vancouver Island	Cedar Secondary	Bill Rounis	1		
Zone E - Vancouver Island	Cedar Hill Middle	Tom Aerts	1		
Zone E - Vancouver Island	Comox Valley Christian	Chris McKaga	1	1	Duncan Christian
Zone G - Fraser Valley	DW Poppy	Mike Munsie	1		
Zone E - Vancouver Island	Dover Bay	Dave Nelson	1	1	Wellington
				1	Carihi
				1	Nanaimo District
				1	Brooks
				1	Alberni
Zone G - Fraser Valley	Elgin Park	Greg Worsley	1		
Zone G - Fraser Valley	Fleetwood Park	Mike Sweeney	1	1	Kwantlen Park
				1	Tamanawis
				1	Enver Creek
				1	North Surrey Sec
				1	Sullivan Heights
				1	Princess Margaret
				1	Lord Tweedsdmuir
				1	Queen Elizabeth
				1	Semiahmoo
				1	Earl Marriott
				1	Clayton Heights
				1	Fraser Heights
				1	Panorama Ridge

Zone E - Vancouver Island	G.P. Vanier	Murray McRae	1	1	Mark R Isfeld
				1	Glacier View Sec.
Zone G - Fraser Valley	Gleneagle Secondary	Patty Anderson	1		
Zone E - Vancouver Island	Glenlyon Norfolk	Sandy Drever	1	1	St. Margarets
Zone B - Okanagan	Glenrosa	Hal Hennenfent	1	1	George Elliot
				1	Okanagan Mission
				1	Kelowna Christian
				1	Rutland Middle
Zone F - Lower Mainland	Guildford Park	Ken Strain	1		
Zone G - Fraser Valley	Holy Cross	Lance Hurtubise	1		
Zone B - Okanagan	Immaculata High school	Blaine Melnyk	1		
Zone F - Lower Mainland	John Oliver	Pat Lee	1		
Zone B - Okanagan	Kamloops Christian	Michelle Liebe	1		
Zone B - Okanagan	Kelowna Secondary	Fane Triggs	1		
Zone F - Lower Mainland	LA Matheson Secondary	Simon Mah	1		
Zone G - Fraser Valley	Langley Christian School	Matt Van Muyen	1	1	Credo Christian
Zone F - Lower Mainland	Little Flower	Ross Ballard	1		
Zone G - Fraser Valley	MEI Secondary	Rick Thiessen	1		
Zone G - Fraser Valley	Maple Ridge	Lorne Ward	1		
Zone E - Vancouver Island	Monterey Middle School	Deb Whitten	1		
Zone A - Kootenays	Mt. Sentinel	Joe Moreira	1	1	Grand Forks
Zone F - Lower Mainland	Mulgrave	Claude Leduc	1		
Zone F - Lower Mainland	Notre Dame	Dennis Pavan	1		
Zone G - Fraser Valley	Pacific Academy	Malcolm Campbell	1		
Zone B - Okanagan	Penticton Secondary	Steve Grant	1	1	Princeton Secondary
				1	Holy Cross (Pen)
Zone A - Kootenays	Prince Charles	Sue Thorne	1	1	Crawford Bay
				1	David Thompson
				1	Elkford
				1	Creston Homelinks
				1	Kootenay Christian
				1	Parkland Middle School

				1	Fernie
				1	Golden
				1	Jaffray
				1	Laurie Middle
				1	Mount Baker
				1	Selkirk
				1	Sparwood
Zone F - Lower Mainland	R.A. McMath	Gayle Guest	1	1	Richmond Christian
				1	Hugh Boyd
Zone F - Lower Mainland	R.C. Palmer	Paul Eberhardt	1	1	A.R. McNeil
				1	J.N. Burnett
				1	HJ Cambie
				1	Matthew McNair
				1	McRoberts
				1	Steveston-London
Zone F - Lower Mainland	Richmond	Ryan Brandlmayr	1		
Zone G - Fraser Valley	Riverside	Rob Colombo	1	1	Dr. Charles Best
				1	Centennial
				1	CABE
				1	Port Moody
Zone B - Okanagan	Rutland Sr	John Wasilenko	1		
Zone B - Okanagan	Sa-Hali	Jody Vosper	1		
Zone G - Fraser Valley	Samuel Robertson	Mike Keenan	1		
Zone F - Lower Mainland	Sentinel Secondary	Glenn Johnston	1	1	Don Ross
				1	Howe Sound
				1	Handsworth
				1	Whistler
Zone E - Vancouver Island	Shawnigan Lake	Mark Hall	1		
Zone G - Fraser Valley	Southpointe Academy	Robert McCall	1		
Zone G - Fraser Valley	Southridge School	James Porpaczy	1		
Zone E - Vancouver Island	Spencer Middle Schol	Cheri Crighton	1		
Zone F - Lower Mainland	St. Georges	Richard Cohee	1	1	York House

Zone B - Okanagan	St. Ann's Academy	Byron Green	1		
Zone G - Fraser Valley	St. John Brebeuf	Len De Julius	1		
Zone F - Lower Mainland	St. Johns School	Jonathan Kinman	1		
Zone G - Fraser Valley	Terry Fox	Rhonda Trunkfield	1		
Zone G - Fraser Valley	Unity Christian	Mark Huberts	1		
Zone B - Okanagan	Valleyview Secondary	AnneMarie Watts	1	1	Brock
				1	Norkam
				1	South Kamloops
				1	Chase
				1	Clearwater
				1	Barriere
				1	Logan Lake
				1	Merritt
				1	Ashcroft
Zone F - Lower Mainland	Vancouver College	Scott Vass	1		
Zone F - Lower Mainland	Vancouver Technical	Mike Allina	1	1	Kitsilano
				1	Britannia
				1	Prince of Wales
				1	Sir Winston Churchill
				1	Magee
				1	King George
				1	Point Grey
				1	David Thompson
				1	Gladstone
				1	Lord Byng
				1	Eric Hamber
				1	Templeton
				1	Sir Charles Tupper
				1	Windermere
				1	Meadowridge
Zone B - Okanagan	Vernon Christian School	Jason Reedyk	1	1	Clarence Fulton
				1	Kings Christian

Zone G - Fraser Valley	W.J. Mouat	Travis Bell	1		
Zone B - Okanagan	W.L. Seaton	Ralph Stevens	1	1	Kalamalka
				1	Vernon
				1	Revelstoke
Zone F - Lower Mainland	White Rock Christian Academy	Kelli Niemi	1		
Zone F - Lower Mainland	Windsor	Alec Lewis	1		
<b>Total VOTES</b>			<b>64</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>176</b>
Quorum (= Total Eligible Voters 426 x 20%)			<b>85</b>		
75% of Registered Votes (= Total Votes x 75%)			<b>132</b>		
Simple Majority (= Total Votes x 51%)			<b>89</b>		