

Minutes

For BC Secondary Schools Tennis Association 2014/2015 Annual General Meeting held at Hugh McRoberts Secondary on November 29, 2014

At 10:00 am

1. Welcome and Introductions

Attendees: Al R, Anne B (Tennis BC), Brenda C (BCSS), Marci M, Mike W, Farrah M, Andy W, Rhonda T

2. Adoption of the Agenda

Motion for Approval: Al R, Seconded: Mike W

3. Adoption of the 2014 Meeting Minutes

Motion for Approval: Rhonda T, Seconded: Farrah M

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

i) May general meeting –

A number of motions were up for vote at this meeting including the lengthening of the boys basketball season and the introduction of junior provincials. None of the motions were able to be put to a vote when the quorum at the meeting was lost in the middle of the meeting.

ii) October – BCSS Commissioners Meeting

At the Commissioners and Athletic Directors meeting a number of initiatives from BCSS were introduced. BCSS will fund a medical person for all provincial championships. Also, webcasting equipment is available for provincial championships. Dave Braun is our new Director of Sport who assists us with BCSS items.

iii) **Update Rules and Regulations –**

A sub-committee of Marci M, Rhonda T, and Mike W has been formed to review the Rules and Regulations which were last done in 2007. These will be updated and hopefully voted on at a Special Meeting convened at the 2015 Provincial Championships.

5. Adoption of the Financial Statement

Motion: Mike W, Seconded: Andy W

6. BCSS Report

- This years grants – \$3000(BCSS), \$4500 (gaming commission) - this is an increase of \$3000 from the previous year
- Basketball wishes to extend season, may run into first week of tennis season
- There is currently Junior provincial in other sports – these are not sanctioned by BCSS, and are usually by invitation only They are seen as being instrumental in growing the sports and increasing participation.
- BCSS has sent out a Travel Survey – we urge all school to fill it out for your provincial championships for 2015 and for 2014, if you have the

data. This will be very helpful in determining financial assistance to those teams who must always travel to the provincial championships.

BCSS will be looking into Academy and Sport specific schools to see how their programs fit into the BCSS model.

7. Tennis BC Update

Anne Bees attended the meeting representing Tennis BC.

- We have switched to the Penn Marathon tennis ball to follow the switch by Tennis BC. Anne will investigate a BCSS purchase price for these balls
- Pro D days have been held in gyms which were very successful in introducing tennis to PE curriculum. Anne will look for more opportunities to introduce the game to high schools
- Fortius BC (where BCSS has their office in Burnaby – across from the Burnaby tennis courts) has rooms available for teams to stay. Marci will investigate a pricing structure for the 2015 provincial championships. There are eating facilities there as well.
- There are tennis coaches available and willing to assist with high school tennis. Anne has developed a list. – will connect with Rhonda to distribute to athletic directors and Marci to distribute to zone reps.
- Anne will help with indoor court bookings at provincials as much as she is able. – will meet with ladies league reps to facilitate coordination with them.
- Anne will speak with Burnaby Parks and Recreation to enquire about leaving their bubble up slightly longer so that it would be available for our provincial championships
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8. Junior Provincial Championships

Discussion was held regarding holding some form of Junior boys and Junior girls provincial tournament in the spring.

It was agreed that we would proceed with a junior provincial tournament for the spring of 2015.

Marci M and Rhonda T will meet to coordinate. More information to follow.

9. Election of Table Officers for 2014/2015

a) Commissioner - Marci McLean

b) Treasurer – Darren Austin

c) Secretary – Andrew Wong

d) Championship Committee Members

- Rhonda Trunkfield, Andy Wong, Al Rose, Mike Whittingham,

e) Zone Reps:

i. Fraser Valley – Rhonda Trunkfield

ii. Kootenays – ??

iii. North Central/North West – Todd Kuc

iv. North Shore/Burnaby/New West – Andrew Wong

- v. Richmond – Mike Whittingham
- vi. Vancouver – Jonathan Pike, Harp Sohi
- vii. Vancouver Island – Stewart Candelaria
- viii. Okanagan - George Kocsis

10. 2015 AA and AAA Championships

To be held Thursday, May 28/ Friday, May 29 / Saturday, May 30

AAA – at Burnaby Tennis Club - Vancouver (St. Geroges/Crofton –
(potential host)

AA – at Queen Elizabeth Park - Vancouver Island (Brentwood)

Call for planning Committee

Whereabouts of Planning Guide? Does anyone have the planning
guide binder?

- T shirts – Sponsorship opportunity with T-shirt company

Marci to follow up

- Outdoor courts – booked - Burnaby and Queen Elizabeth Park
permits requested. Prior to championship need to post laminated
sign for local players

- Indoor courts booking – Al/Andy – Will try to conditionally book
prior to provincials. Difficult to predict. Anne will assist as much as
possible

- Web – We will look to develop a Championship website - Mike/
Andy/ Marci to investigate

- Forms – these will be reviewed and updated prior to the
championships

- Team registration/banquet – Crofton School

St. Georges (Potential)

Activities for the kids – need an MC

- Hotel listing – from BC schools sports
- Banquet – tickets
 - MC – Host to supply
 - DJ – Smoothgroove (previously used)
- Marci to investigate last years bill – seems high
- door prize from each school
- Tennis balls – Marci M will facilitate purchase
- Awards – Mike W
 - banner / medals – Marci has banners and medals already
- Program – Need new person to coordinate – Will contact Anthony C to see if he is able to assist.
- Signs — extra plates for school name – Rhonda to check and coordinate.
- Photo – We will be doing the photos at both the AAA and AA sites to eliminate travel between the two sites. Photos will be coordinated around match times at each individual site.
- Coaches meeting – host to organize
- Volunteers – host will need to supply at each site
- Site Coordinator – an honorarium will be paid for a tournament coordinator at each site who will manage the schedule, coordinate draw sheets, assist with indoor courts, on site general management, keep website updated.
- Risk management – Commissioner/ BCSS insurance

- Opening ceremony – These will be held at the Banquet so play can start right away at both sites
- Onsite service – Possibility of concession or Food Truck Serve at sites – Marci to investigate
- Tents and equipment – These will be supplied by host
- Sponsorship – Marci to investigate
- Berths – Rhonda, Al, Mike, Darren will form berthing committee
- Rules of the game – Tennis BC - continuation of Tiebreaker service rotation to be added to rules and regulations.
- Medical coverage – Commissioner – through BC schools
- Deadlines dates on BCSS website - Marci to update

11. Annual General Meeting, 2015/2016

We will be attempting to hold the annual general meeting in late fall (November) to permit more planning time for the spring provincial championships.

12. Other Business

In order to receive the full amount of the grant money the commission must reduce the cost to the athletes. We will be discussing which form this will take. Possibilities include travel monies, scholarship, reduced fees etc.

13. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 1:15pm,

