



**BC SCHOOL SPORTS
COUNCIL OF SPORT COMMISSIONERS MEETING
SATURDAY, October 25, 2014
Fortius Sport & Health Building, 4th Floor, Calgary Room**

MINUTES

Meeting called to order at 11:20am by Don Moslin, Chair.

Commission Members Present:

Badminton	David Dryden for Jeff Hunt
Basketball-Boys	Paul Eberhardt
Basketball-Girls	David Prissinotti for Brett Westcott
Cross Country	Nancy Champagne
Curling	Janet Dunkin and Moe Williams
Golf	Bill Richards
Gymnastics	Adrian Wong
Rugby	Walter Van Halst
Ski/Snowboard	Davin Smith for Hubert Wohlgemuth
Soccer	Don Moslin, Chair
Tennis	Marci McLean
Track & Field	Andrew Lenten
Volleyball-Boys	Fane Triggs
Volleyball-Girls	Joe Moreira

Commission Member Regrets:

Aquatics	Bruce Ito
Field Hockey	Alanna Martin
Football-Boys	Brien Gemmell
Mountain Biking	Chris Stromgren
Wrestling	Ian McDonald

BC School Sports Staff/Board/Committee Members Present:

Brenda Chinn	Director of Sport
Dave Braun	Director of Sport
Christine Bradstock	Executive Director
Deb Whitten	President
Ayesha Haider	Advisory Committee (PAC Representative)
Brian Lynch	Scholarship Committee

1. Agenda Approval

Adopted with 3 additions:

- Approval of May 9, 2014 Minutes
- Rotation of Sport Commissioner Representatives to the BCSS Advisory Committee
- Junior Championships

2. Minutes of Friday, May 9, 2014

MOTION (Champagne/Dunkin): "That the minutes of May 9, 2014 be approved".	CARRIED
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3. BCSS Grants and Gaming Grants

Dave and Brenda are working with each of the Commissions to gather the required information. Cheques were distributed to those Commissions who have submitted the information. Once Commissions have submitted the required information, they are also eligible for Gaming Grant. The increased Gaming Grant amount will only be available if there is a decrease in cost to the student-athletes.

4. Medical Coverage

Dave provided a one-page handout on the medical coverage available from BCSS in coordination with SportMedBC. BCSS will support the cost of one athletic therapist to attend with some restrictions on hours etc. Any additional personnel or specialists would be at the cost of the Commission.

5. Webcasting

In conjunction with SportCanadaTV, BCSS can provide one EZ Cast unit for webcasting. Dave provided a one-page handout regarding the system and the requirements. Additional units, if available, would be at the cost of the Commission.

The question of consent arose and it is the view that there is a reasonable expectation that photographs and video will be taken at a public sporting event and therefore consent is not required. Deb suggested that people should check with their school districts as well. Paul indicated that there are ways to webcast if you have your own equipment and SportsCanadaTV can assist.

6. Greetings for Championship Programs

There are four messages from government ministers, Deb, and Christine. They have been sent out for the fall sports and will be sent out to the others. The messages are set up for the larger programs and for those sports with "simpler" programs, there are options and to contact Dave or Brenda.

7. Checking Rosters at Zone Championships

A reminder that Commissions need to check the registered rosters in STARS at the Zone Championships. Zone reps should have access to STARS and if they don't please contact the BCSS office. If there are others who should have access to STARS (e.g. championship coordinators) then it is up to the Commissioner to provide that authorization.

8. Authorization Forms for Commission AGMs

For those Commissions that require school authorization/consent to vote at their Commission's AGM, we have provided an example. Dave and Brenda to circulate an electronic version to all Commissions for use if they wish.

9. Bookkeeping

Brenda reminded the Commissions that BCSS can provide free bookkeeping service. The benefits are that we can provide the accounting skills that members of the Commissions may not possess. BCSS can invoice and collect registration fees. Commissions will still have control to set their budget and control payments. Nancy provided a testimonial on how BCSS has helped the Cross Country Commission with their accounting.

10. Sport on the Move Grants

As in previous years, travel subsidy grants are available from ViaSport. Brenda will circulate the forms. There should be one application per championship and Merrillia is available to assist with the applications.

11. Travel Cost Survey

As requested at the Spring Council meeting, a travel cost survey was developed. Brenda circulated a copy of the questions (text only). If there are any additions or comments, please send to Brenda ASAP before she circulates the Survey Monkey link to the Commissions to send to their Provincial Championship teams. Paul was interested in circulating the survey to Boys' Basketball for the 2013-14 season. The link will be sent out on Monday as a few Championships are coming up fast.

12. Election of Council Chair for 2014-15

Fane nominated Don to continue. No other nominations were put forward and Don accepted the position.

13. Rotation to advisory committee

With the change in the composition of the BCSS Board of Directors, there are now two representatives on the BCSS Advisory Committee. For 2014-15, the representatives from the Sport Commissioners are Don Moslin (Soccer) and Stephen Rowell (Rugby). As requested at the May Council meeting, Brenda circulated a rotation of Sport Commission representatives to the Advisory Committee for the next 20 years (19 Sport Commissions).

14. Junior Championships

The question arose regarding the status of Junior Championships. Currently BCSS does not sanction Junior Championships however there are a few Commissions that are piloting Junior Championships. Nancy reported that Cross Country has juniors at their Provincial Championship and they provide a separate championship banner which is different than BCSS banner. They have had much better participation at their Championships with the inclusion of juniors. Andrew indicated that they also include juniors at the Track & Field Championships as an "invitational". Similarly their participation numbers have gone from 1,500 to 2,000 participants and expect to have upwards of 2,500 participants in the future. Of course there is an increase in associated costs to run the championships (a brief explanation of costs was provided). The increased numbers also help with obtaining sponsorship. It was noted that the Junior Boys Basketball Championships are not run by the Boys' Basketball Commission but the Junior Girls is under the Girls' Basketball Commission.

15. Championship Banners, Promotional Banners, Medals

The following were available for pick up:

- Event/promotional banners
- Spectator Code of Conduct banners
- Blue Championship banners for fall sports
- Medals for those who ordered with some to be shipped

16. Other Business

There was a brief discussion of BCSS services and the Commissions. There was a concern that the workload on the Commissions was increasing. The future availability of free services from BCSS was also questioned. The Directors of Sport (Dave and Brenda) are available to assist the Commissions as much as possible.

17. Adjournment

The meeting concluded at 12:15pm.