



With the BCSS AGM just a few weeks away our goal is to provide our membership further clarity in some of the areas of the governance proposal that we have received the most questions about. We are distributing a series of short memos each with a specific theme in the hope to address the questions in these areas.

We have also recorded frequently asked questions video which addresses many other common questions that you can view by clicking [here](#)

Q: What will provincial championships look like under the proposed Governance Structure?

Championship Structure

There have been many questions surrounding provincial championships and people trying to understand what they will look like under the proposed Governance Structure. Some of our sports have a rich history of great championships and BCSS has stated from the outset the plan is to have championships look and feel very much the same as they have before. There is no plan or intention to cut the size or the student-athlete experience from any of our championships. We are also hopeful and have expressed a desire for those volunteers who have put on some of our events in the past to continue to lead in the hosting of the championships to ensure that student-athletes are a priority. The proposed governance structure will allow us to balance the educational values and objectives while continuing to offer quality provincial championship experiences for our student-athletes.

Cost of provincial championships

The BCSS Board and Staff have spent a great deal of time reviewing budgets and financial statements from past provincial championships and have developed a Pro-forma budget that has event budgets for each championship based on previous years' financial numbers. This will allow us to keep provincial championship fees at their historical rates without compromising the integrity of the events.

Host Championship Committees and locations

We intend to keep the championships looking very much like they do now. Each championship whether centralized or school-based would have a host committee that would have a Tournament Chair, as they do now. BCSS would guide hosts on things like budgets, sponsor obligations, and other matters of BCSS policy. The host committee would be entrusted with putting on a safe, exciting and quality event for the student-athletes. The intent is that those centralized locations would remain so at the venues we are used to, and those that are school-based would continue in their traditional way by moving around the province. School-based championships would be awarded through a bid process which will be awarded by the Legislative Assembly.

Should you have any questions about anything within the governance recommendation, please don't hesitate to reach out to a Board member or the BCSS office.