

BC School Sports

Policy Committee Expression of Interest

Due: June 7, 2021 (12:00pm noon)



Available Committee Member Appointments

The BCSS Board of Directors is distributing the call for volunteers to sit on various BCSS Policy Committees. Applicants for committee appointments must be employed by a BCSS Member School or school district. Applications are reviewed by the Board of Directors for appointment to the committees. Appointments are generally for two years, and expenses are covered by BCSS when necessary; most meetings occur via video conference.

Eligibility Appeals Committee

PURPOSE:

To adjudicate the appeals of the decisions of the Eligibility Officer(s) concerning a student-athlete's eligibility in accordance with eligibility and transfer rules.

MANDATE:

The EAC shall read, understand, discuss and evaluate each appeal on an individual basis. The committee shall then consider the information in the application and shall approve or deny the appeal, having regard to the purposes, bylaws, and policies of BC School Sports.

The committee is granted the authority to grant exceptions to the policies of the organization as it pertains to student-athlete eligibility, generally, but not limited to, on the grounds of extraordinary and/or compassionate grounds.

The Committee shall issue a ruling to the applicant school either approving or denying the appeal and containing a brief summary of the reasons for their decisions. The decisions of the EAC are final and binding and shall not be questioned or reviewed in any court or tribunal.

Sport Medicine & Athlete Safety Committee

PURPOSE:

To examine all issues related to athlete safety of participants in school sports and make policy recommendations to the membership accordingly.

MANDATE:

The Sport Medicine & Athlete Safety Committee is a committee appointed by and responsible to the Board of Directors that shall solicit feedback, engage in research and discussion with internal and external stakeholders with the goal of making informed recommendations to the membership. Areas of focus should include but are not limited to safety standards and risk management for school sport events, concussion education and return to learn/play protocols, injury statistics and trend identification, research opportunities, best practices education related to overuse, sport specialization, and any other policy or absence of a policy that has the ability to increase student-athlete safety and wellbeing. This committee does not have the authority to change policy, but is tasked with making expert recommendations to the membership for changes they believe to be in alignment with the values and goals of BC School Sports.

Competitive Fairness Committee

PURPOSE:

To examine all issues related to BC School Sports policy as it pertains to the goal of maintaining competitive fairness and equity and make policy recommendations to the membership in an effort to provide equitable opportunity for success amongst all member schools.

MANDATE:

The Competitive Fairness Committee shall solicit feedback, engage in research and discussion with internal and external stakeholders with the goal of making informed recommendations to the membership. Areas of focus should include, but are not limited to the differences of rural vs urban schools, independent vs public schools, the effect of international students or boarding students on competitive balance, BCSS tiering structures and philosophy, and any other policy or absence of a policy that has an impact on the ability for all schools to have an equitable opportunity to succeed. The committee does not have the authority to change policy but is tasked with making expert recommendations to the membership for changes they believe to be alignment with the values and goals of BC School Sports.

Term

Most applicants will serve a two-year term, from September 2021 to June 2023 except where a stagger is required, unless otherwise appointed by the Board.

Available Committee Chair Appointments

The BCSS Board of Directors is distributing the call for applications for Chair positions on various BCSS Policy Committees. Applicants must be an Athletic Director or Administrator at a BCSS Member School. Applications are reviewed by the Board of Directors for consideration for appointment to the committees as chair. Appointments are generally for two years and expenses are covered by BCSS when necessary; most meetings occur via video conference. All Policy Committee Chairs will be a member of the Legislative Assembly and are expected to attend the Annual General Meeting (May/June), and the Annual Planning Meeting (Oct/Nov). Committee members will be appointed by their respective Sport Advisory Committee.

Team Sports Championship Committee (Chair, 3 year)

PURPOSE: Through comprehensive research and discussion, examine policy related to BCSS Championships, and make recommendations to the Legislative Assembly ensuring a common review process and shared multi-sport philosophy amongst championships.

MANDATE: Evaluate BCSS policy related to championships such as, but not limited to:

- Size of Championships (Number of participating teams and/or athletes)
- Structure of Championships (Round Robin, Power Pools, Crossover, Double Elimination etc.)
- Berthing (Process for awarding championship berths)
- Seeding and Ranking Process and Procedures (process for determining Championship seeding)
- Discipline and Appeal Policies for Zone and Provincial Championship contests
- Host Rotations and Responsibilities

Individual Sports Championship Committee (Chair, 3 year)

PURPOSE: Through comprehensive research and discussion, examine policy related to BCSS Championships, and make recommendations to the Legislative Assembly ensuring a common review process and shared multi-sport philosophy amongst championships.

MANDATE: Evaluate BCSS policy related to championships such as, but not limited to:

- Size of Championships (Number of participating teams and/or athletes)
- Structure of Championships (Round Robin, Power Pools, Crossover, Double Elimination etc.)
- Berthing (Process for awarding championship berths)
- Seeding and Ranking Process and Procedures (process for determining Championship seeding)
- Discipline and Appeal Policies for Zone and Provincial Championship contests
- Host Rotations and Responsibilities

Fall Sports Rules Committee (Chair)

PURPOSE: To examine all issues related to athlete rules for the sports within their season of play and make policy recommendations to the Legislative Assembly accordingly.

MANDATE: Each committee is focused on the rules of play for the sports in their season of play including:

- Technical Rules and Game Protocols
- Field of Play Specifications/Requirements
- Uniforms
- Equipment
- Officials/Scoring

Winter Sports Rules Committee (Chair)

PURPOSE: To examine all issues related to athlete rules for the sports within their season of play and make policy recommendations to the Legislative Assembly accordingly.

MANDATE: Each committee is focused on the rules of play for the sports in their season of play including:

- Technical Rules and Game Protocols
- Field of Play Specifications/Requirements
- Uniforms
- Equipment
- Officials/Scoring

Spring Sports Rules Committee (Chair)

PURPOSE: To examine all issues related to athlete rules for the sports within their season of play and make policy recommendations to the Legislative Assembly accordingly.

MANDATE: Each committee is focused on the rules of play for the sports in their season of play including:

- Technical Rules and Game Protocols
- Field of Play Specifications/Requirements
- Uniforms
- Equipment
- Officials/Scoring

Term

Most applicants will serve a two-year term, from September 2021 to June 2023 except where a stagger is required and specifically the Individual & Team Sport Championship Committee Chairs who will serve a three-year term, from September 2021 to June 2024, unless otherwise appointed by the board.

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Applicant's Personal Information

Name: _____

School: _____

City/town: _____

School Email: _____

Position (Check all that apply): Teacher District Admin
 School Admin Other: _____

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Please click in the box(es) to make your selection(s).

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Sport Medicine & Athlete Safety Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Individual Sport Championship Committee Chair |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Competitive Fairness Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Fall Rules Committee Chair |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Eligibility Appeals Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Winter Rules Committee Chair |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Team Sport Championship Committee Chair | <input type="checkbox"/> Spring Rules Committee Chair |

Applicant's Qualifications for the Position

Please provide a summary of your experience applicable to the position. For example, you may cite experience with coaching, past committee work, administrative or AD positions held in the school sport system, community or provincial sport positions, or school district committees.

School Administrator Name: _____

As the Principal at the applicants' school, I support _____ applying for the indicated committee(s).

School Administrator Signature: _____

Please scan and send all documents to info@bcschoolsports.ca