



**BC SCHOOL SPORTS  
COUNCIL OF ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION PRESIDENTS MEETING  
Saturday, October 26, 2013  
Fortius Sport & Health Building, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor Meeting Room  
3713 Kensington Avenue, Burnaby**

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Meeting called to order at 12:00 noon by Mykola Misiak, Chair.

**Members Present:**

Athletic Association Presidents:

Coquitlam Athletic Association	Jamie Askew
Delta Athletic Association	Brett Sweeney
North Shore Athletic Association	Brad Thornhill
Okanagan Central Athletic Association	Hal Hennenfent
Richmond Secondary Schools Athletic Association	Gayle Guest
South Okanagan Similkameen Athletic Association	Steve Grant (via phone)
Surrey Secondary Schools Athletic Association	Mykola Misiak - Chaired
Vancouver Secondary Schools Athletic Association	Mike Allina
West Kootenay Secondary Schools Athletic Association	Joe Moreira

**Guests Present:**

P.E. / District Contacts:

Richmond School Board	John Acob
North Shore Secondary Schools Athletic Association	Gerry Karvelis
Vancouver School Board	Harp Sohi
Alberta Schools Athletic Association	Tyler Callahan

**Regrets:**

Athletic Association Presidents:

Abbotsford/Mission Athletic Association	Bo Sidhu
Burnaby Athletic Association	Christine McNulty
East Kootenay Athletic Association	Sue Thorne
Fraser Valley East Athletic Association	Sean Lightle
Langley Athletic Association	Jonathan Fast
Lower Mainland Independent Athletic Association	Robert Dodds
Lower Vancouver Island Athletic Association	Darren Reisig
Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows Athletic Association	Dennis Schmidt
North Central District Athletic Association	Louise Holmes
North Okanagan Athletic Association	Margot Devault
North Vancouver Island Athletic Association	John Philip
Northwest Zone Athletic Association	Ron Van Driel
West Okanagan Valley Secondary Schools Athletic Association	Annemarie Watts

**BC School Sports: Board Members Present**

Deb Whitten, President

**BC School Sports Staff:**

Sharon Becker, Membership Coordinator

## 1. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

The Agenda was emailed to all Athletic Association Presidents prior to the meeting. No discussion occurred regarding the Agenda.

## 2. **CRIMINAL RECORDS CHECKS FOR OFFICIALS**

Mykola Misiak provided the following update:

- Paid officials have Criminal Records Checks done.
- We need to put a system in place. In January, Criminal Records Checks will be free. With it being free we could make it mandatory to all, not just paid?

Discussion ensued

## 3. **OTHER BUSINESS**

### 3.1 **Zones**

Discussion:

- Zones need to be addressed. Need to look out for the best interests of the kids.
- How can some Sport commissions increase their number of zones without bringing this forward to the membership as a whole?
- Some additional associations have been created that are not recognized by BCSS and have influenced the Sport Commissions to increase the number of Zones.
- Is sponsorship driving to have certain schools at the Provincials?
- Every Zone should be represented at the provincials.
- Does each zone have an executive for each sport?
- Every Association must have the opportunity to advance to provincials.
- What is BCSS position? Are zones based on geographical or ratio?
- Why is Lower Mainland so much piecemeal? There is no consistency.

### 3.2 **Playing Up Rule**

Discussion:

- Playing days were discussed. Pros and cons of this rule. Rural Communities. Coaches now have control over their students. Make sure you know where your students are registered. Do positives now outweigh the negatives?
- Moving Up Rules - are they working for everyone or great for rural? Are the kids going to play too much...over use of athletes. Local association can make their rules. They can only make change to the constitution via a vote.
- If this rule is not working, it will come back as a resolution. Members will complain.
- Volleyball-Rugby (Split seasons – can they play all the way through the season). Rule will supersede- you can only play one season.
- BCSS blurb – add split season choice (Display on website).
- How is this impacting the student at school? Overplayed.
- No class – no homework.
- Feel that many schools voted on this based on rural.
- Association can introduce rules but this will put them at a disadvantage for the other school.
- Can we have a recommendation for this rule – look at clause (emphasize the spirit of the rule).
- Students can only play one game per weekend.
- List for Spring meeting – Zones & Playing up

ACTION: List for Spring meeting – Zones & Playing Up Rule

### **3.3 Coach & A.D. Development**

Discussion:

- More involvement
- Designed BCSS development Day as a suggestion (not to compete with other subjects.)

### **4. ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting concluded at 1:00 pm