



MINUTES

Meeting called to order at 9:00 am Mike Allina, Chair.

Members Present:

Mike Allina	President
Sean Juteau	Director
Mykola Misiak	Director
Joe Rogers	Director, via phone
Brent Sweeney	Director
Rick Thiessen	Director

Member Regrets:

Rick Lopez	Director
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BC School Sports Staff and Others Present:

Jordan Abney	Executive Director
Merrilla Thorp	Financial Officer
Doug Dowell	BC Christian Academy, 11 am – 11:20 am

1. WELCOME

The President welcomed everyone. Roundtable on recent news from each person at meeting.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOVED/SECONDED AND RESOLVED that the Agenda be adopted with the following addition:

6.5 Girls 3A soccer

3. CONSENT AGENDA

MOVED/SECONDED AND RESOLVED that the following Minutes and Reports be approved by consent:

- 3.1. Minutes of May 5, 2017
- 3.2. Minutes of May 29, 2017 email resolution
- 3.3. President's Report (verbal)
- 3.4. Executive Director's Report

4. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

4.1. OPERATING STATEMENTS TO MAY 30, 2017

MOVED/SECONDED AND RESOLVED that the Operating Statements to May 30, 2017 be received as presented.

4.2 2017-18 DRAFT OPERATING BUDGET REVISED

- Budget presented is adjusted from the budget prepared and approved in January, to reflect actual Gaming grant received
- Includes additional costs for Strategic Plan & School Sports Canada meeting

- Scholarship Reserve balance is very high due to increase in fine revenues. Operating policy requires 50% of fine revenue to be used for scholarships.
- Recommended increase of annual scholarship awards to be increased from \$9,000 per year to \$13,500 per year
- Recommend increase of operating reserve from \$60,000 per year to \$70,000 per year starting FYE2017
- Recommend one time additional increase of operating reserve for \$20,000 for Strategic Plan work and School Sport Canada meeting in FYE2018

MOVED/SECONDED AND RESOLVED that the FYE2018 Budget be approved, including increase of operating reserve from \$60,000 annually to \$70,000 annually in FYE2017; **AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED** that there be a one time \$20,000 FYE2017 additional operating reserve for Strategic Planning & School Sport Canada expenses.

Action:

Staff to draft update of Policy Section II, B4: Fines Collected, to include Coach Education & Student Safety as eligible expenses, as well as scholarships, to present to the membership for review/approval.

4.3 2017-18 BCSS INSURANCE POLICY

- Annual insurance policy has been renewed. Includes juniors at individual championships
- Small increase this year, mostly for Rugby Stadium Series

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

5.1. SURREY SCHOOL DISTRICT REQUEST

- BCSS letter to Surrey School District provided to Board for information
- No further action required at this time

5.2. SECONDARY UNGRADED RELATED APPEALS

- BCSS memo to membership provided to Board for information
- No further action required at this time

5.3. BCSS ZONE REALIGNMENT PROJECT

- Phase 2 email and survey was sent out June 19 with over 92 respondents in the first 48 hours and anticipate more before survey closes
- 6 draft options provided to Board
- Path moving forward:
 - How to build consensus
 - How to make decision on which options to present to membership
 - What is timeline for next steps and ultimate implementation

5.4. STRATEGIC PLAN RFP

- Jordan declared potential conflict of interest with one submission
- Board created evaluation matrix
- Board reviewed Strategic Plan submissions and shortlisted 3

Action:

Staff to do reference checks on the three finalists and provide information back to the Board

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1. AGM OUTCOMES, IMPACTS & FEEDBACK

6.1.1. GENERAL FEEDBACK

- May not need parliamentary level of facilitation, but a 3rd party needs to facilitate
- Proposed resolutions should include, within the rationale, where the resolution is coming from: ie the Board, or if the resolution affects a Commission, whether or not it

- has been endorsed by a Commission
- 2 webinars were set up in advance of Advanced Voting & AGM for people to be able to discuss resolutions; hopefully webinars will be better attended next time
- 37 of 35 resolutions passed

Doug Dowell, BC Christian Academy arrived.
The meeting agenda was suspended and moved to Agenda Item 6.1.3.

6.1.3 DOUG DOWELL – BC CHRISTIAN ACADEMY (11:00 am – 11:20 am)

Doug Dowell arrived at the meeting to discuss Prep teams and the resolution that passed at the AGM regarding Member’s Compliance with the Rules of BCSS, including only playing member schools and that all teams must be BCSS compliant.

Discussion:

- Doug worked with previous Executive Director, C Bradstock for years in the development of the Prep team program in an attempt to prevent students from leaving BC to play basketball
- BC’s population is not as condensed as it is in Ontario and so the prep program did not work as well
- Doug advised that BC Christian Academy will not have a prep team next year
- Doug thinks the problems experienced has more to do with club coaching school teams and the values that they bring, which is different than education first
- Various models in Canada and the US
- The new rule affects member schools that have teams that compete with teams that are not member school teams
- The National Federation of High Schools (US National High School Sport Body), does not permit Prep Schools to be members. NFHS Constitution indicates that student participation is a privilege, and enriches the educational experience and encourages academic achievement. Nothing in their Mission and Objectives indicates that it is about building elite athletes
- BCSS may review this issue as part of the upcoming Strategic Plan process
- If a school declares an elite team, then the consequences are they can only one sport/team and no other sports. Suggest modifying rule so other sports can still have BCSS teams
- Suggest a task force to look at strategies to deal with the blurred lines re club / school system and the impacts on students

Doug Dowell departed meeting.
Joe Rogers departed meeting.

6.1. AGM OUTCOMES, IMPACTS & FEEDBACK (Continued)

6.1.1. GENERAL FEEDBACK (Continued)

- Schedule was good, and the Social was well received and a good investment
- Advisory Committee does not have terms of reference yet and wants to have a purpose
- Should Council meetings continue to be separate?

6.1.1.1. BOARD MEMBERS CARRYING PROXIES

- Board members are permitted by Bylaws to carry proxies, however if they are instructed by the member schools that they are holding proxies for to vote against a resolutions put forward by the Board, the optics go against a unified Board
- Suggest that a Board member may carry their own school's vote, but do not recommend they carry proxies

6.1.2. LOWER ISLAND MIDDLE SCHOOLS ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION (LIMSAA)

Received correspondence from St. Andrew's Regional School & Lower Island Middle Schools Athletic Association regarding the impacts of the rules on middle schools. Many middle schools chose not to be a member of BCSS but still have their grade 8s participate in sport against BCSS member schools that have grades 8 and higher.

St. Andrew's Regional High School believes the new clarification of the rule will impact the grade 8 students by not permitting them to participate in the grade 8 sport activities with the mostly non-member island middle schools and requests a one year grace period to work with their parents to implement educate them about the new rules.

MOVED/SECONDED AND RESOLVED that with a one year grace period be given to LIMSAA member schools to implement changes as passed at 2017 AGM.

Action:

Executive Director to draft Memo informing LIMSAA schools of grace period in duration for one year.

6.1.3. A SPECIFIC STUDENT ATHLETE AND TRANSITIONAL ELIGIBILITY APPLICATION PROCESS

Staff met with the parents of a student whose eligibility application and appeal were ruled on using the eligibility forms created before the rules change in May and decided upon after the rules changed. There is a concern that processes may not have been correctly followed, or information not provided due to outdated forms being completed.

MOVED/SECONDED AND RESOLVED that the student's eligibility application may be restarted in its entirety, but reviewed by a different eligibility officer and different eligibility appeals group, if required, so as not to prevent the perception of potential bias.

Rick Thiessen departed meeting.

Due to absence of quorum, the meeting adjourned at 1:10 pm with the following items to be continued by email:

- 6.2. 2017-18 PROPOSED BCSS CALENDAR
 - 6.2.1. 2018 AGM/2017 FALL COUNCIL DATES
- 6.3. SCHOOL SPORT CANADA – SEPTEMBER 2017
- 6.4. SCHOOL FOOTBALL PROGRAM – BULLYING/HARASSMENT
- 6.5. GIRLS 3A SOCCER

7. BOARD OF DIRECTORS DUTIES
 - 7.1. APPOINTMENT OF SECRETARY-TREASURER
 - 7.2. CONSENT TO ACT PAPERWORK & BOARD MANUALS
 - 7.3. BANK AUTHORIZATION & SIGNING AUTHORITY CHANGES
 - 7.4. 2017-18 COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS
 - 7.5. 2017-18 BOARD OF DIRECTOR MEETING DATES