

SOSSA EXECUTIVE MEETING

Minutes

Monday, December 3, 2007

Meeting Commenced at 7:08 a.m.

In Attendance:

B. Fuller	J. Coull	G. Henhawk
C. Baillie	K. Tamburriino	C. Crosbie
B. Woodcroft	M. Narancic	B. Krouse
G. Woodcroft		

Regrets:

R. Rode	M. McGill
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Minutes of October 1, 2007 – accepted

Agenda of December 3, 207 – accepted

1. Business Arising from Minutes

Zone Transfer

The work collating materials is overwhelming for teacher volunteers – it is a thankless task.

Again it is recommended for Zone III/IV with large number of schools and close proximity of schools that a sport co-ordinator(s) be given an additional task of collating and approving materials and ranking the cases. Thus teacher volunteers could meet and make the appropriate decision(s).

2. Administration

(i) School Contact Lists

Zone I & II have submitted 2007-2008 lists of school contacts with home phone numbers. Zones III/IV should be forthcoming.

A copy of all Zones may be obtained from Zone reps.

(ii) OFSAA Entries – Second Entries

SOSSA took a couple of late second entries this fall. OFSAA needs to fill a 'draw' when other associations have withdrawn.

Brian Fuller or Christine Baillie are contacted by OFSAA. SOSSA thinks it is a positive experience for as many teams that can go to OFSAA do so.

NOTE: SOSSA does not pay entry fee for 'late second entries'.

3. Zone Concerns

Zone II – Tennis

(i) A question regarding age divisions? Junior Varsity is under 17 as of September 1 and Varsity (senior and elite divisions combined).

NOTE: Junior Varsity does not correspond to Junior individual or team activities – Tennis is unique!

(ii) Policy – Police checks for guest instructors

It was noted if a qualified teacher is present during instruction from a guest coach, there should be no problem – supervision always the key.

Zone III/IV

- (i) **Volleyball Net Heights at Junior Level.**
Different heights are being used in different zones. Therefore, a motion will be put forward to adopt the Ontario Volleyball Association heights for Junior Boys at 2.34m and Junior Girls at 2.15m so we are consistent in all Zones.

- (ii) **Junior Sports A/ AA Equity**
The present divisions are A (699 and below) and AA (700 and above) respectively 24 schools and 36 schools.

To split the divisions more equally would be A (799 and below) and AA (800 and above) with approximately 30 schools in each division.

4. Convenors/Declaration

The following schools have declared to participate at the following level for winter activities.

A. N. Myer	Senior Boys Basketball	AAA
A. N. Myer	Seniors Girls Volleyball	AAA
Ancaster	Senior Boys Basketball	AAAA
Fort Erie	Senior Boys Basketball	AAA
Governor Simcoe	Senior Boys Basketball	AAA
Holy Cross	Senior Boys Basketball	AAA
Holy Cross	Senior Girls Volleyball	AAA
Westlane	Senior Boys Basketball	AAA

Reminder that Spring Activity Declaration date is January 31st, 2008.

Convenors will receive the Championship medallions from Zone representatives in early February for Winter activities.

Zone II has declared to have representation at SOSSA Championship for the following team activities.

Girls Volleyball	JR A, JR AA, SR AA
Boys Basketball	JR AA SRA, SRAA
Girls Ice Hockey	A/AA
Boys Ice Hockey	A/AA

SOSSA will commit to participate in all OFSAA Winter activities except Nordic Skiing and Snow Boarding.

Alpine Skiing at Craigleith, February 14, Convenor Paul Daignault, Westdale Boys Hockey AAA/AAAA – Championship game date changed to March 20th

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5. SOSSA Interactive

Reminder to enter the SOSSA Interactive website you must register through the website and you must have a school board email address. If there a problem, contact the Administrative Secretary/Treasurer.

6. Finances

Most SOSSA fees have been submitted. The few schools that have not paid there fees have been contacted.

7. Awards

Medallions will be distributed by Zone representatives in early February.

Swimming ribbons should be ordered by Convenor prior to Christmas Break.

8. OFSAA Highlights

See attached.

9. A.O.B.

The passing of Don Wright, a renowned basketball coach at Caledonia, MacDonald and MacNabb Secondary Schools was noted.

10. Next Meeting

Change: The next meeting will be on Monday, February 4th at 7:00 p.m.at Grimsby Seniors Centre - cancelled on Monday, February 11th.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

OFSAA

NOV 28-30 2007

ImPACT - An approach to Concussion Management

- this would be a good presentation at the AGM
- students would do a baseline test on line
- once concussed and after all symptoms disappeared, the athlete would perform
- the online test in the doctors office and the results compared to the baseline test to find out when it would be safe to return to play

CGA - Baillie

Girl's Gymnastics

Proposal Rules and Regulations 2007-2008

*they were not voted upon but will be used at this years' April competition
copies will be forward to the convenors to pass on to the individual coaches

Girls' Hockey

Deadline is Tuesday March 25th for A/AA and AAA/AAAA Championships

A/AA April 2 – 4 2008

AAA/AAAA March 31 – April 2 2007

Women's Sports School

Durham College May 8 – 9, 2008

Applications on www.ofsaa.on.ca

Early Bird Registration – December 21, 2007 (save \$27)

Gender Equity Committee

Looking for members – call Lex Cleaver at the OFSAA office

Any issues in our area that we need to discuss?????

Example: women coaches, women refs, female athletes and how they are treated

Future Motion for April Meeting

AAA & AAAA Girls' Basketball – ALL teams be seeded for the OFSAA Championship

(Note: A/AA Girls' Basketball did not want this, they only have the top half seeded only)

CBA – Brian

Track singlets by 2009-2010 season will have to have a school crest or name on the singlet

COED SPORTS – Baillie & Brian

CROSS COUNTRY – question – when were the deadlines changed? Twice

TRACK AND FIELD

New rules for starts and false starts will be sent out by Peter Morris from OFSAA

April meeting a motion will be set forth regarding practice times

Mandatory Practice will change from 10 to 16.

OFSAA BUSINESS

AELS

Athletic Eligibility List System

This is an electronic Eligibility system that is now REQUIRED by all COACHES going to OFSAA. The OFSAA Convenor will be expecting this from you.

- A copy of the program was given to your ATHLETIC DESIGNATE last year
- A new copy will be given to all CONVENORS this year to give to their coaches.
- There is a hard copy that must be signed by the CONVENOR, COACH, ATHLETIC HEAD/PHYS.ED HEAD, & PRINCIPAL and brought to the coaches meeting.

Both Brian and Baillie have the passwords for all the school to access the program. These were sent out with the original books. If you lost it please, just email or call.

TRY DAY

Funds were handed out for 215 schools for two different programs

- \$800 / school

Next year apply early!!!!

SCHOLARSHIPS

All scholarships are on the OFSAA website. Apply early!

There are several scholarships for our students worth \$2500-\$10000.

Please forward the OFSAA scholarships to your guidance councilors.

COLIN HOOD AWARDS

Please apply early. One boy, one girl and one coach award winner. Please rotate your coaches from male to female from year to year.

Criteria for this award are on the OFSAA website.

COACHING EXCELLENCE AWARD

SOSSA is allowed to nominate 2 male coaches from our association

Deadline for application is Dec 21st, 2007

Any nominations???

OOYA

Is being held at the University of Ottawa May 9 – 11

Application forms are on the OFSAA website

This is a LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE FOR STUDENTS. They don't have to be athletes to attend.

Note: A teacher does not need to attend with the student. There are teachers already at this conference for the students.

SEVEC

Society for Educational Visits and Exchanges in Canada

Money is available for travel for your teams to play against another Francophone school across Canada.

Phone 1 800 38 SEVEC or website www.sevec.ca

OFSAA CONVENOR MEETING

There are several new convenors from SOSSA. There is a meeting for all OFSAA convenors on June 18th 2008. More information is on the OFSAA website. Future Convenors that have been awarded their bids to convene an OFSAA event should visit this years OFSAA events and talk to the convenor's about how their committees are set up.

OFSAA CONVENOR STILL NEEDED FOR THE FOLLOWING SPORTS

2008-2009 SEASON

GIRLS	BOYS	COED
Field Hockey	Volleyball AAA	Nordic Skiing
Curling	Curling	Badminton
Rugby A/AA	Rugby A/AA	Snowboarding Racing
Rugby AAA/AAAA	Soccer AAA	
Soccer A	Soccer AAAA	
Soccer AAAA	Baseball Semi Finals West	
	Field Lacrosse AAA/AAAA	

2009-2010 SEASON

GIRLS	BOYS	COED
Field Hockey	Volleyball AAA	Nordic Skiing
Basketball AAAA	Volleyball AAAA	Snowboarding Racing
Volleyball AA	Basketball A	
Volleyball AAAA	Curling	
Curling	Rugby A/AA	
Rugby A/AA	Rugby AAA/AAAA	
Rugby AAA/AAAA	Soccer A	
Soccer A	Soccer AAA	
Soccer AAA	Soccer AAAA	
Soccer AAAA	Baseball Semi Finals West	
Golf	Field Lacrosse A/AA	
	Field Lacrosse AAA/AAAA	
	Golf	

Contact Brian for the Boy's sports and Baillie for the Girls' Sports.

SOSSA COMMITMENTS FOR OFSAA CONVENORS

2007-2008	2008-2009	2009-2010
X-Country	Girls' AAA Basketball	Boys' A/AA Hockey
Wrestling	Boys' AA/AAAA Rugby	Boy's AAA/AAAA
Badminton	Boys' AA Soccer	Hockey
Track and Field – South		Track and Field South Regionals

Thank you to all those who have in the past, present and future have volunteered to host an OFSAA Championship. Keep up the great work SOSSA!

MOTIONS FOR GIRLS' SPORTS THAT WERE PASSED FOR THE 2007-2008 SEASON

GIRLS' HOCKEY

1. NO competitor is eligible for OFSAA sanctioned events whose name has appeared on a game sheet, and has dressed, after December 1st for any Senior AAA teams of the CWHL, or is a member of the National Junior Under 22, National Junior Under 18, or National Senior Team.

MOTIONS FOR GIRLS' SPORTS THAT WERE PASSED FOR THE 2008-2009 SEASON

GIRLS' RUGBY

1. The start time of games shall be a minimum of 2 hours from the end of their previous game
2. Ties
Best of 3 kicks (order determined by a flip of a coin by the referee) by 3 players of each team that were playing in the game immediately before the game ended. If still tied after 3 kicks by each team, single sudden death kicks shall be attempted by a player from each team who was on the field at the end of the tied game. The kickers shall be allowed to kick at the goalposts from a spot of the player's choosing anywhere inside the 22 metre line (as for a convert).
3. Uniforms, protective equipment and appropriate footwear must conform to iRB laws.

MOTIONS FOR BOYS' SPORTS THAT WERE PASSED FOR THE 2007-2008 SEASON

BOYS RUGBY

1. Rugby games passed on Day 1 and 2 will consist of two 20 minute halves with no overtime. In the event of tie, on Day 1 and 2, teams will go straight to kicks following the tie breaking procedure laid out in section 9d. All consolation championship, bronze medal and gold medal games will be two 25 minute halves with two 5 minute overtime halves. The referee in liaison with touch judges shall keep time.
2. Each team may have a maximum tournament roster of 30 players. Each team shall submit an eligibility list of players (max 30) who shall be eligible to play in the tournament. The player/game roster must identify trained/experienced Player to play in the front rows.
3. In the case of ties after regulations time in consolation championship, bronze medal and gold medals, following a coin toss, there will be two 5 minute halves played with 10 a side (5 forwards, five backs) with 2 minutes between halves. The ten players on each side must be selected from the players on the pitch at the end of the regulation time. The remaining 5 players shall be directed to the end zone outside the dead ball line to remain there until the completion of the overtime period. These players are eligible and can be selected to kick at the end of the overtime period.
4. In consolation Championship, bronze medal and gold medal games, if still tied at the end of the two 5 minute halves, the following procedure shall be followed: each team will select up to 3 players, from among the players on the field at the end of the regulation

period, who shall be organized to kick from designated spot at the same goal posts with the wind at their backs.

The kicks shall be in the following sequences on the 22m line:

- a) left 15m line and 22m;
- b) midway between sidelines on the 22m
- c) right 15m line and 22m line.

In the event of a tie, both teams shall select 1 kicker who kicked in the 1st round. The same location and sequence shall be used in a sudden victory format.

5. Mouthguards must be worn at all times of the game as per the OPHEA safety guidelines.
6. All braces must comply with the iRB law. Players must not wear items containing buckles, clips, rings, hinges, zippers, screws, bolts, rigid material, or protection not otherwise permitted under law.

BOYS' HOCKEY

1. No team or player shall play more than 2 games in one day.

MOTIONS FOR BOYS' SPORTS THAT WERE PASSED FOR THE 2008-2009 SEASON

BOYS' BASEBALL

1. Tournament Structure and Procedure
There will be 2 regional elimination tournaments with 8 teams at each site. The tournaments will use a double knockout format with the 2 finalists at each site advancing to the OFSAA Championship Semi-Finals
2. Seeding
All teams will be assigned to a site with consideration given to geographical location, and an attempt to equitably balance the stronger teams at each site. The placement of the teams will be done by the tournament convenor in consultation with the OFSAA coordinator of baseball, and the chair of the Sports Advisory Committee.

BOYS' GOLF

1. There shall be a team division and an individual division and both shall be played over 36 holes.
2.
 - i) Maximum number of participants is set at 120
 - ii) Each participating association may enter a school team comprised of 4 members and 2 individual golfers, who are not on the team entry.
 - iii) The host Association may have an additional entry as determined by the Association, comprised of a team entry of 4 members and 2 individuals.
 - iv) The previous year's team gold medalist association will receive an additional entry as determined by the Association, comprised of 2 individuals
 - v) The previous year's individual gold medalist Association will receive an additional entry as determined by the Association, comprised of 2 individuals.
 - vi) To facilitate draws in iv) and v) additional entries in the Championships shall be selected from:
 - i) Gold Medal Association from the previous year
 - ii) Silver Medal Association from the previous year
 - iii) Bronze Medal Association from the previous year

- iv) Additional entries to complete the field may be added, if necessary at the discretion of the convenor
3. All golfers are eligible for the individual championship. If the student athlete is registered as an individual, they are not eligible for the team championship.
 4. Every foursome will be allocated a designated teacher supervisor whose purpose is to assist in keeping the foursome on schedule with respect to pace of play and keep the foursome's score. It is not the expectation of the teacher supervisor to make on course rulings.
 5. Caddies will not be permitted for the participants. Motorized carts may be used by participants with prior medical exemption.
 6. Any coaching/communication with the players will not be permitted on the course. (Communication includes, but is not limited to coaches, parents, spectators, cell, phone/text messaging/blackberry use.)
 7. In the team category, sudden victory playoffs will occur for 3 medal positions. If time does not permit, the fourth golfer's score on day 2 will break the tie. If both teams fourth golfer have the same score GAO retrogression for the fourth golfer will occur from the score on day 2.
In the individual category, tie breaker sudden victory playoffs will occur for 3 medal position. If time does not permit, GAO retrogression will apply on the day 2 score.
 8. Team Score – In the team category, the 3 low scores from each team on each day will count towards the team total.
Individual Score – an individual's total score from day 1 and day 2 will count toward their individual score.
 9. Spectators will need to abide by course rules and OFSAA playing regulations.
 10. Association convenors shall provide handicaps for all association entries.
 11. The use of range finders not be allowed and wherever possible yardage booklets be made available from the convenor to all golfers.
 12. First offence: 1 stroke penalty
Second offence: will result in a disqualification

**MOTIONS FOR THE COED SPORTS THAT WERE PASSED FOR THE
2007- 2008 SEASON**

SOCCER

Remove the "golden goal rule"

**MOTIONS FOR THE COED SPORTS THAT WERE PASSED FOR THE
2008-2009 SEASON**

ALPINE SKIING

1. Lever 2 Team Racers: participants are those skiers who have ski league affiliation and training beyond the Nancy Greene level or the age of 10.
2. Participants are school trained athletes. They have NO ski league affiliation race training beyond Nancy Greene or the age of 10.

NOTE: Brian or Baillie would like for your help. We receive an Order Paper a month prior to going to our OFSAA meetings. This Order Paper has pages of motions that we vote upon. We would like your option on these motions. Once we receive them, we (Baillie) will electronically send them out.

CONGRATUATIONS

FALL SPORTS

BOYS' 'A' VOLLEYBALL – OFSAA CHAMPIONS - JEAN VANIER – WELLAND
BOYS' 'AA' VOLLEYBALL – OFSAA CHAMPIONS - EDEN – ST. CATHARINES
GIRLS' 'AA' BASKETBALL – OFSAA 4TH – GOVENOR SIMCOE – ST.

CATHARINES
GIRLS' 'AAAA' BASKETBALL – OFSAA 2ND – WESTDALE – HAMILTON
X-COUNTRY – SENIOR BOYS – OFSAA CHAMPION – MOHAMMED AHMED –
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CATHARINES