

SOSSA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Minutes 2009

Discussion Group 8:15 a.m. – Re Host entry to OFSAA

Meeting Commenced at 8:45 a.m.

1. **PRESIDENTS' REPORT** – Mike Narancic

Mike thanked the convenors both SOSSA and OFSAA. He also congratulated teams representing SOSSA at OFSAA Championships.

He acknowledged the time and work put in by his fellow SOSSA Executive.

2. **FINANCIAL REPORT** – Bob Krouse

It was noted that expenditures have exceeded revenue for the last few years. Rather than increase fees that OFSAA entries be reduced for team sports to one-half. Also a closer scrutiny of number of teams participation (Article IV, Section 5 the funding formula) will be imposed. It was noted that the Executive will examine numbers by sport, classification and gender.

MOTION: that the 2009 financial report be accepted.

Passed

3. **SOSSA BUSINESS** – Bob Krouse

Bob thanked the convenors for giving up their time and facilities.

Issues in SOSSA for 2008/2009 are reflected in the Notice of Motions.

Fan behaviour, especially by parents, was a concern. A reminder to schools, athletics, administrators and coaches, that SOSSA has adopted the "True Sport" code of behaviour. Perhaps athletes should be given a copy of "true Sport", Principle no. 2 – Champion Ethical Conduct "commit to fair play, make respect for the rules, officials, coaches and players a priority on field and the sidelines."

If a parent causes a problem (ie. harassing a referee), it is the responsibility of the coach of the team associated with the parent to talk to him/her and correct the behaviour. Convenors and/or referees should not have to deal with them.

There are many incidents of 'fair play'. One such example could be accommodation of Robert Land Academy, by changing a parade to allow Holy Cross to play a SOSSA Championship at the school.

Communication was a major issue; convenors in 09/10 will be asked to post information on the website at least two (2) weeks prior to the SOSSA Championship. Coaches need to know starting times and location. There was much scrambling at last minute this year.

The rotation for 09/10 is 1 vs 3 and 2 vs 4 and **CANNOT** be changed. For example, if Zone 2 has no team and Zone 4 is hosting, the second entry from Zone 4 will have to play first entry from Zone 4 in the first round.

The first draft of SOSSA Championships is in your packages and by Executive meeting, by the end of September, the schedule will be confirmed.

Lastly, the membership was thanked for their co-operation and understanding. The Executive was acknowledged for their guidance and patience.

4. OFSAA UPDATE

Brian Fuller and Christine Baillie, with the aid of the handout in the package reviewed the latest OFSAA business.

5. TRANSFER COMMITTEE – Jill Stiefelmyer

Jill will be the Chair for the first semester of the 09/10 Committee and Kathryn Nuyten will Chair the second semester.

6. CONVENORS – Christine Baillie

All activities have convenors.

Gymnastics (by committee) as per other years will be a collaboration of 2 or 3 schools involved.

7. **MOTIONS**

(a) Temporary Motion – one year trial.

Be it resolved: a ‘host’ entry shall be best team from the ‘host’ community (zone).

MOTION: That the ‘host’ entry shall be defined as the team whose school is hosting the OFSAA Championship.

Passed

(b) **Notice of Motions** – see attached

8. **PETE BEACH AWARD**

The recipient was Daryl Mahler presented posthumously at the Denis Morris Athletic Awards Banquet on June 8th, 2009.

9. **Executive 2009/2010**

By acclamation: Past President Mike Narancic, Sir J. A. Macdonald

MOTION: Slate of office

President:	Bobby Woodcroft	Cayuga	Zone II
1 st Vice-President	Jamie Coull	Westland	Zone III
2 nd Vice-President	Kristen Tamburrino	St Catharines Collegiate	Zone IV
OFSAA Male rep.	Brian Fuller	Saltfleet	
Female rep	Christine Baillie	Stanford	
Principal’s rep	Cheryl Mancuso	A. N. Myer	
Transfer Committee	Jill Stiefelmeyer	Governor Simcoe	
	Kathryn Nuyten	Governor Simcoe	

Passed

10. **NEW BUSINESS** - none

Meeting Adjourned

SOSSA
NOTICE OF MOTIONS 2009-2010

1. **JUNIOR TEAM ELIGIBILITY** – Article VII, Section 2-2(ii)

MOTION: Junior

(a) The individual shall be in either of their first two years of high school, based on the date of entry into grade nine.

and

(b) The individual's birth certificate shall indicate that he/she has not reached his/her 16th birthday by August 31st prior to the start of the school year in which he/she in either of their first two years at high school.

EXCEPTION: a student who has been accelerated one year in elementary school shall be allowed to play at the junior level for a maximum of two (2) consecutive years in the first three (3) years of his/her high school career.

The student shall meet the above age requirement (part b) and documentation of the acceleration shall be provided with the eligibility sheet.

Passed

2. **JUNIOR PLAYING SENIOR** – Article VII, Section 2-3 (ix)

MOTION: Any Junior shall be listed as a Junior on the game sheet , when playing a Senior game.

Violation of this rule makes him/her a senior for the duration of the season. If he/she plays a second Senior game, he/she becomes a senior for the duration of the season. A Junior, to be eligible for the Senior Playoffs, shall be listed on one league game sheet, as per above.

Passed

3. FAN CONTROL

MOTION: Schools choosing to take student fans to a SOSSA Championship, shall do so with the 'advanced' permission of the convenor and shall be expected to pay an entrance fee. The student fans shall be escorted with appropriate supervision (board policy re supervision of trips) and that an administrator/teacher in charge shall be present if there is more than one busload (40 students) of student fans.

Passed

4. SOSSA CHAMPIONS WHO WISH TO FOREGO OFSAA

MOTION: That should the winner of a SOSSA Championship elect not to go to the OFSAA Championship, the 'two entry rule (Article VII, Section 3-12) shall be used to determine the OFSAA entry.. It is expected that the convenor is given advance notice that a 'said school' will not be attending OFSAA Championship.

Passed

5. RUGBY

MOTION: That the number of medallions for Rugby be thirty (30) per championship team.

Passed

6. PLAYING REGULATIONS

Playing regulations are constantly being revised to comply with OFSAA playing regulations. At present those regulations recently or currently under revision are:

Badminton	Pierre Balnchard
Field Hockey	Greg Henhawk
Girls' Golf	Bill Lipsett
Lacrosse	Dave Walker
Rugby	Christine Baillie
Tennis	Mike Robinson

MOTION: To accept playing regulations and/or any revisions.

Passed

7. FINANCES

MOTION: That SOSSA Inc shall remit, for all eligible teams sports, only ONE HALF of OFSAA ENTRY FEE and NONE of the PARTICIPATION FEE.

Passed

8. NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS

MOTION: That a unlimited number of players may be listed on the eligibility sheet, but there shall be the maximum number of players on the game sheet as per OFSAA playing regulations and/or as submitted on a single game sheet.

NOTE: first place medallions numbers are fixed, ie. Soccer is 20 per team.

Passed