

SOSSA EXECUTIVE MEETING

Monday, February 8th, 2010

Meeting Commenced at 7:08 p.m.

In Attendance:	Bobbi Woodcroft	Brian Fuller	Cheryl Mancuso
	Greg Woodcroft	Jamie Coull	Christine Baillie
	Mike Narancic	Cindy Crosbie	Brad McPherson
	Bob Krouse		

Minutes of November 30th, 2009 – accepted

Agenda for February 8th, 2010 – accepted

1. Business Arising from Minutes

(i) Niagara District Closure:

OFSAA is in support of the proposed distribution of the 170 students as per the DSBN Transition Plan.

A Catholic school wanted to know if the students would be eligible if they attended said school. The simple answer is no (students are going to like schools – public to public)

(ii) Constitutional Updates

(a) Constitutional by-laws and rules have been updated as of September 2009. All active regulations have been updated.

Girls Hockey updated November 2008 had some discrepancies regarding funding – revisions will be made.

2. Administration

(i) School Contacts

Zone I will submit an updated list by end of February. Zones II, III & IV have been submitted. Once HWDSB (zone) has submitted, they will be distributed to SOSSA Executive.

(ii) School FTE's

There is some minor discrepancy in numbers between SOSSA fees FEE and board numbers. This is to be expected. But large fluctuations will be investigated.

(iii) OFSAA Hockey

The rule dealing with hosting OFSAA activities is a temporary rule 2009-2010; the host team shall have an automatic entry. Therefore, Denis Morris get automatic entry in AAA/AAAA Boys' Hockey. Denis Morris is also hosting the A/AA Boys' Hockey and the Executive voted to use rule VII Section 3-12 to get the two teams for OFSAA entry and both shall receive 50% of entry fee as per constitution.

3. Zone Concerns

Zone I

(a) Reminder of contact lists. SOSSA fees still due from George Vanier and HWDSB.

(b) Sport Academy Schools

An elementary school (Riddell) is a sports academy. The basketball players are not allowed to compete in the interscholastic program in the interest of fair and equitable play. But, when several of the graduates are strongly encouraged to attend a single high school, the result has been skewed scores in junior basketball.

The concern is how to deal with skewed competition, but apparently it is very political.

Zone II

(a) Reminder that Zone representatives should notify JR A, AA and Sr A/AA SOSSA convenors if they will be submitting or not submitting teams.

Since the Zone is not submitting A or AA Jr Boys' Basketball teams, yet is hosting Jr A boys, where do they get the teams?

MOTION: that two teams from Zone III be used to complete the draw.

Carried

Zone III/IV

- (a) Jill Stiefelmeyer needs SOSSA school populations for OFSAA Girls' SAC basketball. It is suggested that she use the SOSSA Classification list for 2009/10.
- (b) Dan Carter at Notre Dame has requested four medallions for a relay team that did not receive them at SOSSA Track & Field Championship last May. The medallions will be sent ASAP.
- (c) (i) OFSAA Second Entries

SOSSA has committed to second entries at OFSAA in Boys' AA basketball, Girls' AAAA volleyball and Girls' curling. Hosting both A/AA, AAA/AAAA Boys' hockey means two entries in both.

(ii) Declarations

Attached are the schools which have declared up for 2009/2010 Spring activities.

4. SOSSA Interactive

The website was down for a few days in each January updates to system.

The interactive is a good communication tool – please use it!

Registration is simple – just do it! Remember you must use your school email address.

5. Finances

- (i) Outstanding fees – see minutes “Zone Concerns”
- (ii) A note will be sent to all OFSAA teams requesting reimbursement; a reminder that SOSSA only pays 50% of OFSAA
- (iii) Insurance – through OFSAA, SOSSA has liability insurance for 2 x 10⁶ per claim. Maximum that can be claimed is 5 x 10⁶.

6. Awards

- (i) Medallions for winter activities were distributed to Zone representatives.
- (ii) Pete Beech award nominations are being accepted by Christine Baillie, Brian Fuller and Bob Krouse.

7. OFSAA Information

- (i) Code of Behaviour – OFSAA is distributing posters outlining appropriate behaviour for OFSAA competitors and teams.
- (ii) Human Rights – A female soccer player will probably be allowed to play on the boys’ team, even though there is a girls’ team at the school. It is called “gender equity” and OFSAA is downplaying this event for obvious reasons.
- (iii) Transfers – the Transfer policy will be tightened up for 2011/2012. One could see everything in the Transfer Policy, but sections A and B.

8. A.O.B. – None

9. Next Meeting - Monday, April 19th
- Wednesday, May 15th
 - AGM Monday, June 28th

Meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

