

# 2010 NOTICES OF MOTION

## GENERAL BYLAW & POLICY NOTICES

Rundle  
College

### Notice 1: Policy – Section III – Eligibility – B. Sport Specific School Programs/Courses/Academies, page 40

#### Current:

WITHDRAWN

The following rules of eligibility apply to students registered in a sport specific school program: students registered in sport specific school programs/courses or academies in Alberta or any other province shall not be eligible for competition in ASAA sanctioned events in that sport or sports (only) for that school year in the event of a program/course or academy occurring after the season of play, the student will be ineligible to participate in that sport for the following season of play. However, these students remain eligible to represent their school in any other ASAA sport. The rationale for establishing policy regarding sport specific school programs/courses/academies is in keeping with the ASAA Mission Statement of ensuring that competitive opportunities for all members are as equitable as possible. Schools, students and families who choose sport specific programs/courses/academies must understand that in doing so, they forego the opportunity to participate in the competitive activities offered through the ASAA and its member schools in those sports.

#### Proposed:

The following rules of eligibility apply to students registered in a sport specific school program: students registered in sport specific school programs/courses or academies in Alberta or any other province shall not be eligible for competition in ASAA sanctioned events in that sport or sports (only) for that school year in the event of a program/course or academy occurring after the season of play, the student will be ineligible to participate in that sport for the following season of play. However, these students remain eligible to represent their school in any other ASAA sport, **but the school must be registered in a classification one level higher than their school numbers indicate. The rationale for registering in a classification one level higher, is that sport specific schools/programs/academies cannot be classified on school population alone, due to the fact that their school population is comprised of “athletes”, another classification factor needs to come into play.** Establishing policy regarding sport specific school programs/courses/academies is in keeping with the ASAA Mission Statement of ensuring that competitive opportunities for all members are as equitable as possible. Schools, students and families who choose sport specific programs/courses/academies must understand that in doing so, they forego the opportunity to participate in the competitive activities offered through the ASAA and its member schools in those sports.

#### Rationale:

**As sport specific schools/programs/academies begin increasing within this province, we have to acknowledge the impact that they have on other member schools in the ASAA. These schools are able to actively recruit “athletes” for their programs, and they are able to train physically within the regularly scheduled school day and as a result, these schools are at an unfair advantage in the ASAA sanctioned sports. At the 1A or 2A level the number of athletes is much more of an advantage than at schools of 3A or 4A sizes---any 2A school with 200 athletes is at a huge advantage over a 2A school of 200 students.**

Metro  
Edmonton  
High School  
Athletic  
Association

### Notice 2: Policy - Section III – Eligibility – Participation on a Non-School Team, Item 1, page 35

#### Current:

1. To be eligible for high school provincial competition in the ASAA sports of basketball, volleyball, football, cheerleading, team handball and rugby, a high school student is not permitted to play on a non-school team in the same sport during the same season...

WITHDRAWN

#### Proposed:

1. To be eligible for high school provincial competition in the ASAA sports of basketball, volleyball, football, cheerleading, team handball and rugby, a high school student is not permitted to play on a non-school team in the same sport during the same season. ***In the sport of Football, “same season” and “season of play” shall be defined as May 1 through to the Provincial Football Championships in November. High school football players are not permitted to play on a non-school football team commencing May 1 if they are participating on their high school football team. Exemptions will be considered for students who have been invited to participate on Team Alberta U18 and provincial/national/international teams only by the recognized sports governing body and cultural events, summer games, and University camps.***

#### Rationale:

**Since the inception of midget spring football, schools have seen reductions in the number of students participating in school basketball, rugby and track and field, as the midget season overlaps with these sports. In some cases, schools have shut down their rugby programs as students who typically would play high school football in the fall and rugby in the spring are opting for the midget spring football league, leaving schools with not enough players to field a rugby team.**

High school football players who choose to play an alternate sport (basketball, rugby or track and field), rather than participate in midget football, are at a disadvantage when the high school football season starts as midget players have been participating in football since January/February. Some of these players decide not to participate in an alternate high school sport so they can participate in midget football.

The current ASAA policy interpretation allows players to play on midget football teams during the high school football seasons of play which starts May 1. There has become an unfair advantage to schools with students involved in midget spring football and there are high schools around the Province whose students do not have access to a midget football league.

The high school football league games do not start until September, however, high schools host training camps, exhibition games/jamborees commencing May 1, which is the ASAA seasons of play start date. Many high school students also participate in midget football, with the Edmonton league schedule running from March to May long weekend, and in Calgary from March to the end of May, with both leagues overlapping the high school May 1 Seasons of Play date.

The Northern Alberta midget league operates under the Capital District Minor Football Association (CDMFA) and encompasses teams from Edmonton and area and Northern Alberta. Initially the spring league was started as a developmental league, with no Championship game, and now includes students in grade 9, 10 and 11 and a Championship. In the Northern Alberta midget league, teams are allowed to carry up to 25 grade 11's on their team roster.

In the Northern Alberta league, there is no policy limiting the number of players from one school who can be on the midget team. A midget team's roster could potentially be comprised of players from one high school, making competitive opportunities for other high schools no longer equitable, as was the purpose of the seasons of play policy. In the Calgary midget league, teams cannot have more than 60% of the players from one school; however, there is nothing to say that a team's starting line-up cannot be from the same school, thus giving those schools an unfair advantage. Some midget teams start practicing as early as January giving those school's students the advantage of football for up to 3 months prior to the ASAA season of play with their participation on the midget team overlapping with the ASAA football season.

There are a number of high school football coaches who are involved with the midget teams. There are no controls in place for ASAA to monitor players on the midget team rosters, so it is possible that a high school team could re-form as a community team with all, or a majority, of their players being students from the same school. In small centres where there is only one high school, there could exist situations where the midget team is the high school team in a different jersey.

The May 1 date for non-school team participation will level the playing field and would ensure students are not participating on a club/community football team and their high school team during the same season or seasons of play date. The May 1 date would also give high school students the opportunity to participate on other school sports teams from March to June.

The ASAA mission statement states that the ASAA will advocate involvement in school sport as an integral part of education and to provide governance of interschool sport activities for high school students through fair play and equal opportunity. The spring leagues have evolved where they have created an unfair playing field throughout the province, in the ASAA sport of Football.

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ASAA  
Executive

**Notice 3: Bylaw - Article IV – Organization – 7, page 16**  
**Current:**

**CARRIED**

The governing body of the ASAA shall be the provincial Board of Governors (hereinafter referred to as the Board of Governors or Board), consisting of the following:

7. One representative from each of the following:
- a) Alberta Education
  - b) Alberta Sport, Recreation, Parks and Wildlife Foundation
  - ...
  - h) Alberta Colleges Athletic Conference (ACAC)

**Proposed:**

The governing body of the ASAA shall be the provincial Board of Governors (hereinafter referred to as the Board of Governors or Board), consisting of the following:

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  - ...

h) Alberta Colleges Athletic Conference (ACAC)

**i) Alberta Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (AIAAA)**

**Rationale:**

In creating the Alberta Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association, the ASAA recognizes the important role of the school athletic administrator in Alberta. With the AIAAA being a registered no-profit society as of August 2009, it is important that this new professional organization have a voice at the ASAA table. This Bylaw change both invites AIAAA to the table and gives them voting status.

ASAA  
Executive

**Notice 4: Policy – Section II – Membership, Item A. High School Membership, page 32**

**Current:**

**CARRIED**

| Class Year | 1A<br>1-99 | 2A<br>100-299 | 3A<br>300-799 | 4A<br>800+ | Jr. High |
|------------|------------|---------------|---------------|------------|----------|
| 2009-10    |            |               |               |            |          |
| ASAA Fee   | \$190      | \$265         | \$350         | \$510      | \$35     |
| AIAAA Fee  | \$50       | \$50          | \$50          | \$50       | \$35     |
| 2010-11    |            |               |               |            |          |
| ASAA Fee   | \$190      | \$265         | \$350         | \$510      | \$35     |
| AIAAA Fee  | \$50       | \$50          | \$50          | \$50       | \$35     |
| 2011-12    |            |               |               |            |          |
| ASAA Fee   | \$190      | \$265         | \$350         | \$510      | \$35     |
| AIAAA Fee  | \$50       | \$50          | \$50          | \$50       | \$35     |

**Proposed:**

| Class Year | 1A<br>1-99 | 2A<br>100-299 | 3A<br>300-799 | 4A<br>800+ | Jr. High    |
|------------|------------|---------------|---------------|------------|-------------|
| 2009-10    |            |               |               |            |             |
| ASAA Fee   | \$190      | \$265         | \$350         | \$510      | \$35        |
| AIAAA Fee  | \$50       | \$50          | \$50          | \$50       | <b>\$50</b> |
| 2010-11    |            |               |               |            |             |
| ASAA Fee   | \$190      | \$265         | \$350         | \$510      | \$35        |
| AIAAA Fee  | \$50       | \$50          | \$50          | \$50       | <b>\$50</b> |
| 2011-12    |            |               |               |            |             |
| ASAA Fee   | \$190      | \$265         | \$350         | \$510      | \$35        |
| AIAAA Fee  | \$50       | \$50          | \$50          | \$50       | <b>\$50</b> |

**Rationale:**

At AIAAA's board meeting it was decided to increase the membership fees for Jr. Highs; therefore this is to reflect that increase.

ASAA  
Executive

**Notice 5: Policy - Section II – Membership – A. High School Membership – Item 2, page 32**

**Current:**

**CARRIED**

- Registration of schools for zone and provincial membership shall be the responsibility of the Zone Secretary. A single fee per school shall be paid to the zone and shall cover the zone membership fee and the provincial membership fee (as stated in Item 1. above), which includes a \$30 fee for the ASAA yearbook.

**Proposed:**

- Registration of schools for zone and provincial membership shall be the responsibility of the Zone Secretary. A single fee per school shall be paid to the zone and shall cover the zone membership fee and the provincial membership fee (as stated in Item 1. above), which includes a **\$40** fee for the ASAA yearbook.

**Rationale:**

The ASAA has absorbed costs over and above the \$30 currently budgeted per school for the yearbook, although it was always the intent that it be covered through school membership fees. Current costs approximate \$40/yearbook, not including postage costs which the ASAA absorbs.

ASAA  
Executive

**Notice 6: Policy - Section III – Eligibility – A. Student Eligibility – Joint School Teams, page 34-35**

**Current:**

**CARRIED**

In the event an ASAA member school is unable to provide a team (either junior or senior varsity) in the team sports of basketball, volleyball, cheerleading, curling, team handball, football and rugby, individual students from a school may participate with another ASAA member school team within their zone. Schools are not required to send all of their students to the same school to form a joint school team.

A school, however, cannot receive students for a specific team from more than one school (except in cheerleading, football and rugby). Participation with other member schools can only occur with the mutual consent of the principals, the athletic directors and the respective zone. The combined populations of the two (or more where appropriate) schools will determine at which classification level the team will compete in that sport only and the ASAA must be notified of such participation.

**Proposed:**

In the event an ASAA member school is unable to provide a team (either junior or senior varsity) in the team sports of basketball, volleyball, cheerleading, curling, team handball, football and rugby, individual students from a school may participate with another ASAA member school team within their zone. Schools are not required to send all of their students to the same school to form a joint school team.

A school, however, cannot receive students for a specific team from more than one school (except in cheerleading, football and rugby). Participation with other member schools can only occur with the mutual consent of the principals, the athletic directors and the respective zone. The combined populations of the two (or more where appropriate) schools will determine at which classification level the team will compete in that sport only and the ASAA must be notified of such participation.

*Note: Once a student from a secondary school plays on a joint school team (with the primary school), they are attached to that team in that sport for the remainder of their high school career. An exception is that if the student's own school creates a team, they would have to play for their own school team.*

**Rationale:**

The current policy allows students whose school does not have a team in a particular sport to 'shop around' for the best team; this is not the intent of the policy. If a student plays for another school under this policy, they should be tied to that school until or unless their own school starts a program.

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ASAA  
Executive

**Notice 7: Policy - Section IV – Activities – Addition of New Item I, page 55**

**Proposed:**

**CARRIED  
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AMENDED**

*Addition of New Item 'I' and move 'I' to 'J'*

**I. Rules**

*The rules in place at the start of the season of play for each ASAA sport will be followed for the entire season, regardless of any provincial, national, or international rule change that may occur during the season. The Executive Committee will have the discretion under exceptional circumstances to provide flexibility as required.*

**Rationale:**

This is to prevent any new rule changes coming in during a season that would affect interpretation of rules of the game. This will also allow for officials to become better acquainted with interpretation and consistency of calls throughout the season of play.

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ASAA  
Executive

**Notice 8: Policy – Section IV – Activities, I. Provincial Championships, Item 6. c), page 56**

**Current:**

**CARRIED**

c) Provincial competition hosts will be eligible to apply for a hosting subsidy of a maximum of \$1000 per event should the event show a loss or a profit of less than \$1000. In the event of a profit of less than \$1000 being realized, the host may only apply for a subsidy for the difference between the profit earned and the \$1000 maximum.

**Proposed:**

c) Provincial competition hosts will be eligible to apply for a hosting subsidy of a maximum of \$500 per event should the event show a loss or a profit of less than \$500. In the event of a profit of less than \$500 being realized, the host may only apply for a subsidy for the difference between the profit earned and the \$500 maximum.

**Rationale:**

Currently most provincial hosts are not finding the need to access these funds; due to this fiscal responsibility shown by most hosts, it is more appropriate to allocate funds to other initiatives rather than hold them in a "what if" contingency in case hosts lose money.

ASAA  
Executive

**Notice 9: Policy – Section IV – Activities, I. Provincial Championships, addition of new item 9, page 60**

**Proposed:**

**Addition of new item '9'**

WITHDRAWN

**9. Use of technology at ASAA events:**

*Electronic devices including but not limited to ipods/MP3's, cell phones, blackberry's or similar devices are not to be used during competition in any ASAA championship event unless required in case of an emergency/accident/injury. "During competition" is defined as from the time the game or event starts until the time it finishes. This also includes the use of cell phones with cameras or any device with a camera, being used in change rooms. This policy applies to athletes, coaches, score table personnel, officials and minor officials. Penalties will be discussed with championship hosts by the ASAA staff/executive and may vary from a warning to disqualification of competing athletes and teams; the latter cannot occur without approval from ASAA staff or appointees.*

**Rationale:**

Other than in an emergency, there is no reason any electronic device needs to be used during an ASAA championship competition. They are a distraction to all involved and certainly need to be addressed for minor officials or scorekeepers, a number of whom have been texting during competition.

**BASKETBALL NOTICES**

ASAA  
Executive

**Notice 10: Policy – Section IX – Basketball – H. Representation to Provincials, Item 1 a) – page 75**

**Current:**

1. 1A Competition for Boys and Girls

a) 1A competition: There will be 12 teams at each 1A tournament. The representation to provincials for 1A boys and girls shall be as follows:

|                                 |           |                |
|---------------------------------|-----------|----------------|
| Edmonton & North Central Zones* | 1         | representative |
| Central Zone                    | 1         | "              |
| South Zone                      | 1         | "              |
| Calgary Zone                    | 1         | "              |
| South Central Zone              | 1         | "              |
| North East Zone                 | 1         | "              |
| North West Zone                 | 1         | "              |
| Host School                     | 1         | "              |
| Wildcard Berths                 | 3         | "              |
| <b>Total</b>                    | <b>12</b> | <b>teams</b>   |

CARRIED

**Proposed:**

2. 1A Competition for Boys and Girls

b) 1A competition: There will be 12 teams at each 1A tournament. The representation to provincials for 1A boys and girls shall be as follows:

|                                 |   |                |
|---------------------------------|---|----------------|
| Edmonton & North Central Zones* | 1 | representative |
| Central Zone                    | 1 | "              |
| South Zone                      | 1 | "              |
| Calgary Zone                    | 1 | "              |

|                        |                 |          |
|------------------------|-----------------|----------|
| South Central Zone     | 1               | “        |
| North East Zone        | 1               | “        |
| North West Zone        | 1               | “        |
| Host School            | 1               | “        |
| <b>Wildcard Berths</b> | <b>4</b>        | <b>“</b> |
| <b>Total</b>           | <b>12 teams</b> |          |

**Rationale:**

**Current policy is added incorrectly and needs to be corrected to total the right amount of teams.**

Basketball  
Commissioners

**Notice 11: Policy – Section IX – Basketball – H. Representation to Provincials – page 77**

**Current:**

4. 4A Competition for Boys and Girls

**DEFEATED** a) 4A Competition: There will be 16 teams at each 4A tournament. The representation to provincials for 4A boys and girls shall be as follows:

|                     |                   |
|---------------------|-------------------|
| Calgary Zone        | 3 representatives |
| Edmonton Zone       | 3 “               |
| North East Zone     | 1 representative  |
| North West Zone     | 1 “               |
| Central Zone        | 1 “               |
| South Zone          | 2 representatives |
| South Central Zone  | 1 representative  |
| Host School or Zone | 1 “               |
| Wildcard Berths     | 3 representatives |
| <b>Total</b>        | <b>16 teams</b>   |

**Note:** There will be a maximum of five representatives per zone (includes host team).

**Proposed:**

4. 4A Competition for Boys and Girls

a) 4A Competition: There will be 16 teams at each 4A tournament. The representation to provincials for 4A boys and girls shall be as follows:

|                        |                          |
|------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>Calgary Zone</b>    | <b>4 representatives</b> |
| <b>Edmonton Zone</b>   | <b>4 “</b>               |
| North East Zone        | 1 representative         |
| North West Zone        | 1 “                      |
| Central Zone           | 1 “                      |
| South Zone             | 2 representatives        |
| South Central Zone     | 1 representative         |
| Host School or Zone    | 1 “                      |
| <b>Wildcard Berths</b> | <b>1 “</b>               |
| <b>Total</b>           | <b>16 teams</b>          |

**Note:** There will be a maximum of five representatives per zone (includes host team).

**Rationale:**

**Percentage wise Edmonton and Calgary make up over 80% of 4A teams in the province; the representation to provincials should reflect an increase from 3 to 4 teams; still only 50% of participating teams. The zone receiving the wildcard berth will still have to be eligible for it by having representation from enough teams in either of the last two ranking periods to fulfill the wildcard berth.**

**CHEERLEADING NOTICES**

Cheerleading  
Commissioner

**Notice 12: Policy – Section IV – Activities – C. Seasons of Play, page 48**

**Current:**

|                           | <b>Activity</b> | <b>Start</b> | <b>Finish***</b>  |
|---------------------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------------|
| <b>CARRIED AS AMENDED</b> | Cheerleading*   |              |                   |
|                           | Football**      | May 1        | Provincial Finals |

|               |             |             |
|---------------|-------------|-------------|
| Golf          | May 1       | Provincials |
| Cross Country | May 1       | Provincials |
| Volleyball    | June 1      | Provincials |
| Wrestling     | October 22  | Provincials |
| Curling       | October 1   | Provincials |
| Basketball    | November 1  | Provincials |
| Badminton     | January 3   | Provincials |
| Team Handball | February 15 | Provincials |
| Track & Field | February 15 | Provincials |
| Rugby         | February 15 | Provincials |

\*School cheerleading teams may function and compete throughout the school year and the summer.

**Proposed:**

| <b>Activity</b>      | <b>Start</b>     | <b>Finish***</b>  |
|----------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Football**           | May 1            | Provincial Finals |
| Golf                 | May 1            | Provincials       |
| Cross Country        | May 1            | Provincials       |
| Volleyball           | June 1           | Provincials       |
| <i>Cheerleading*</i> | <i>October 1</i> | <i>April 30</i>   |
| Curling              | October 1        | Provincials       |
| Wrestling            | October 22       | Provincials       |
| Basketball           | November 1       | Provincials       |
| Badminton            | January 3        | Provincials       |
| Team Handball        | February 15      | Provincials       |
| Track & Field        | February 15      | Provincials       |
| Rugby                | February 15      | Provincials       |

*\*School cheerleading teams may function but not compete outside the season of play.*

**Rationale:**

As cheerleading continues to grow so too do the demands on teams and athletes. The nature of the sport of cheerleading is such that we are both a performance and competitive sport. Schools look at the cheer team as a valuable part of supporting other teams (most significantly football and basketball) and also as an important part of their competitive program. Most cheer teams start in August with tryouts and game preparation so that they may cheer at their football games in September and October. Training for their own season really doesn't start until November. Actual competitions begin at the end of January and continue until the end of March. In the past, we have fought to have no season of play so that cheer teams may support their school teams as well as perform at community events like charity runs, school assemblies or special events. However, it is becoming apparent that many teams are done their competitive season at the end of March and their teams stop training. Athletes wishing to continue training and attend camps or train in private gyms can't because of the current regulations. The intention of this rule is to allow cheer team members the opportunity to continue training after their teams have shut down for the season but not hinder teams that wish to cheer at school or other events. Really this is to provide for the performance nature of our sport while not hindering the competitive nature of it.

**CROSS COUNTRY NOTICES**

X Country  
Commissioner

**Notice 13: Policy – Section XI – Cross Country – C. Zone Representation – Item 2, page 85**  
**Current:**

| <b>CARRIED</b> | <b>Activity</b> | <b>Start</b> | <b>Finish***</b>  |
|----------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------------|
|                | Cheerleading*   |              |                   |
|                | Football**      | May 1        | Provincial Finals |
|                | Golf            | May 1        | Provincials       |
|                | Cross Country   | May 1        | Provincials       |
|                | Volleyball      | June 1       | Provincials       |
|                | Wrestling       | October 22   | Provincials       |
|                | Curling         | October 1    | Provincials       |
|                | Basketball      | November 1   | Provincials       |
|                | Badminton       | January 3    | Provincials       |
|                | Team Handball   | February 15  | Provincials       |

|               |             |             |
|---------------|-------------|-------------|
| Track & Field | February 15 | Provincials |
| Rugby         | February 15 | Provincials |

**Proposed:**

| Activity        | Start       | Finish***         |
|-----------------|-------------|-------------------|
| Cheerleading*   |             |                   |
| Football**      | May 1       | Provincial Finals |
| Golf            | May 1       | Provincials       |
| Cross Country** | May 1       | Provincials       |
| Volleyball      | June 1      | Provincials       |
| Wrestling       | October 22  | Provincials       |
| Curling         | October 1   | Provincials       |
| Basketball      | November 1  | Provincials       |
| Badminton       | January 3   | Provincials       |
| Team Handball   | February 15 | Provincials       |
| Track & Field   | February 15 | Provincials       |
| Rugby           | February 15 | Provincials       |

**\*\*The fall season for Cross Country will start August 16.**

**Rationale:**

The intent for all ASAA sports is to have approximately 16 weeks for their season of play, with holiday periods taken into consideration (in this case the summer). By changing the date it would bring the season of play up to 16 weeks and consistent will most other sports.

**CURLING NOTICES**

Beaumont Composite

**Notice 14: Policy – Section XII – Curling – D. Teams, page 85-86**

**Current:**

**DEFEATED**

1. All games must be started with the rink having four players. Any rink not having its full complement of four players shall be disqualified. In the case of illness or accident during the game, the first two curlers will throw three stones, with the skip throwing two stones. No rink may continue to play with fewer than three players.

**Proposed:**

1. ~~All games must be started with the rink having four players. Any rink not having its full complement of four players shall be disqualified.~~ In the case of illness or accident during the game, the first two curlers will throw three stones, with the skip throwing two stones. No rink may continue to play with fewer than three players.

**Rationale:**

Removing the first two sentences aligns with CCA rules on page 8 which says:

5. (5) (c) A team may play with three players with the first two players each delivering three stones in each end.

Beaumont Composite

**Notice 15: Policy – Section XII – Curling – D. Teams, page 86**

**Current:**

**CARRIED**

2. Substitutions may be made between games by using the non-playing team member(s) for any team positions (in mixed play, a boy can only be substituted for a boy, and a girl for a girl, following C.2. above). In the case of illness or accident during a game, the substitute shall replace the injured player. In mixed play, if a substitute of the correct gender is not available then the team will continue the game with three players in their existing order, throwing 3, 3, and 2 stones. All team members must meet ASAA eligibility requirements and cannot be members of other school representative curling teams as established at the qualifying events for provincials (see C.2. above). All teams must continue throughout the competition with the listed team members as constituted in the first post-district game of the competition.

**Proposed:**

- 2. Substitutions may be made between games by using the non-playing team member(s) for any team positions (in mixed play, a boy can only be substituted for a boy, and a girl for a girl, following C.2. above). ~~In the case of illness or accident during a game, the substitute shall replace the injured player.~~ In mixed play, if a substitute of the correct gender is not available then the team will continue the game with three players in their existing order, throwing 3, 3, and 2 stones. All team members must meet ASAA eligibility requirements and cannot be members of other school representative curling teams as established at the qualifying events for provincials (see C.2. above). All teams must continue throughout the competition with the listed team members as constituted in the first post-district game of the competition.

**Rationale:**

Removing the phrase aligns with CCA rules on page 9 which says:

5. (5) (f) During an end in play, if a player(s) is unable to complete the delivery rotation declared by the team at the start of the game the team may activate a substitute player(s) subject to:

- i) a substitute player may only enter a game during an end if they deliver a stone within that end; and
- ii) a substitute player(s) who enters a game during an end shall replace the sidelined player(s) in the team’s delivery rotation for that end; and
- iii) at the beginning of the next end the substitute player may deliver stones in any position of the delivery rotation of his/her team. Players may move up or down in the delivery rotation only as required to position the substitute player and the team shall re-declare their delivery rotation at this time; and
- iv) the replaced team member shall not rejoin the team until the next game unless the team loses a subsequent player(s) and is therefore placed in a default position as per Rule 5(5)(a) and (b).

**FOOTBALL NOTICES**

Metro  
Edmonton  
High School  
Athletic  
Association

**Notice 16: Policy – Section XIII – Football – B. Season of play – page 87**

**Current:**

The season of play for football shall be May 1 to the provincial championship to be held no later than the fourth Saturday in November and the preceding Friday night...

**WITHDRAWN**

**Proposed:**

The season of play for football shall be May 1 to the provincial championship to be held no later than the fourth Saturday in November and the preceding Friday night. *See SECTION III – ELIGIBILITY – Participation on a Non-School Team, Item 1, page 35 for more information on season of play.*

**Rationale:**

To clarify addition that was recommended in Notice 2. If Notice 2 doesn’t pass, then this Notice will be withdrawn.

Football  
Commissioner

**Notice 17: Policy – Section IV – Activities – C. Seasons of Play, Item 4, page 48**

**Current:**

|                | Activity      | Start       | Finish***         |
|----------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------|
| <b>CARRIED</b> | Cheerleading* |             |                   |
|                | Football**    | May 1       | Provincial Finals |
|                | Golf          | May 1       | Provincials       |
|                | Cross Country | May 1       | Provincials       |
|                | Volleyball    | June 1      | Provincials       |
|                | Wrestling     | October 22  | Provincials       |
|                | Curling       | October 1   | Provincials       |
|                | Basketball    | November 1  | Provincials       |
|                | Badminton     | January 3   | Provincials       |
|                | Team Handball | February 15 | Provincials       |
|                | Track & Field | February 15 | Provincials       |
|                | Rugby         | February 15 | Provincials       |

\*\*The season for football (in the fall) shall begin a maximum of 18 days prior to the first regular scheduled league game of August 20 for those teams that do not play in a league.

**Proposed:**

| Activity      | Start       | Finish***         |
|---------------|-------------|-------------------|
| Cheerleading* |             |                   |
| Football**    | May 1       | Provincial Finals |
| Golf          | May 1       | Provincials       |
| Cross Country | May 1       | Provincials       |
| Volleyball    | June 1      | Provincials       |
| Wrestling     | October 22  | Provincials       |
| Curling       | October 1   | Provincials       |
| Basketball    | November 1  | Provincials       |
| Badminton     | January 3   | Provincials       |
| Team Handball | February 15 | Provincials       |
| Track & Field | February 15 | Provincials       |
| Rugby         | February 15 | Provincials       |

**\*\*The season for football (in the fall) shall begin August 16 for all schools.**

**Rationale:**

There was a lot of ambiguity regarding an exhibition game/season compared to a regular scheduled game therefore; this firm date is being recommended to alleviate any confusion and to remain consistent across the province.

Football  
Commissioner

**Notice 18: Policy – Section IV – Activities – D. Athlete Registration, Opting-Up: Golf, Volleyball, Football, Basketball and Rugby only, Item 2, page 52**

**Current:**

**CARRIED**

2. Opt up deadlines are as follows:

|                         |              |
|-------------------------|--------------|
| Golf                    | September 12 |
| Football and Volleyball | October 15   |
| Basketball              | December 15  |
| Rugby                   | May 1        |

Schools not opting up by these deadlines will compete at the classification level at which the school is registered.

**Proposed:**

2. Opt up deadlines are as follows:

|                 |                  |
|-----------------|------------------|
| Golf            | September 12     |
| <b>Football</b> | <b>October 1</b> |
| Volleyball      | October 15       |
| Basketball      | December 15      |
| Rugby           | May 1            |

Schools not opting up by these deadlines will compete at the classification level at which the school is registered.

**Rationale:**

Schools/teams should know by the September 30 school enrolment deadline what their classification level is. By moving the opt-up deadline to the same day as the registration deadline, this will allow leagues/zones to better arrange schedules and prepare for playoffs.

Football  
Commissioner

**Notice 19: Policy – Section XIII – Football – B. Season of Play, page 87**

**Current:**

The season of play for football shall be May 1 to the provincial championship to be held no later than the fourth Saturday in November and the preceding Friday night...

**DEFEATED**

**Proposed:**

**The season of play for football shall be May 1 to the provincial championship to be held on the fourth Saturday in November and the preceding Friday night...**

**Rationale:**

Firm date set in policy to have consistency for planning provincial championship and to know in advance the date of the event.

Football  
Commissioner

**Notice 20: Policy – Section XIII – Football – E. Events, Item 2, page 89**

**Current:**

**CARRIED**

2. The sites of all four provincial championships will alternate among zones that have field turf stadiums (that have appropriate locker rooms, spotters booths, media booth and spectator capacity).

**Proposed:**

2. *Hosting of the provincial championship will be set on a rotating basis through the establishment of three regional hosting zones, to be revisited once more zones have appropriate field turf stadiums (that have appropriate locker rooms, spotters booths, media booth and spectator capacity).*

**Rotation:**

*2010 – Calgary  
2011 – Lethbridge  
2012 – Edmonton  
2013 – Calgary  
2014 – Lethbridge  
2015 – Edmonton*

*And repeat...*

**Rationale:**

Currently these three zones have the appropriate facilities to host the Alberta Bowl and therefore should be on a rotation so that the zones know well in advance when they are hosting. If another zone builds/develops appropriate facility space then the policy will be revisited to include the new zone in the rotation.

Football  
Commissioner

**Notice 21: Policy – Section XIII – Football – G. Equipment, Item 4. Official Ball, page 91**

**Current:**

**CARRIED**

- a) The official game ball to be used for ASAA provincial football games will be determined and supplied by the host team and must comply with the specifications outlined in the Canadian Amateur Tackle Rule Book (CATRB). These currently include the Spalding J5V, the Wilson F2000, F2005, CIS and CFL.
- b) A participating team has the option of electing to use its own football (if different to that used by the host) providing the following:
  - i. The football meets the specifications as outlined in the CATRB.
  - ii. The team notifies the head referee at least half an hour prior to game time as to its intentions.
  - iii. The team supplies a minimum of three balls to the referees. The standard procedure is to allow each team to put its ball into play, including all offensive plays, punts, point after attempts, place kicking and kickoffs.

**Proposed:**

- a) *The official game ball to be used for ASAA provincial football games (quarterfinals, semifinals and finals) will be the Wilson F1005 (leather).*
- b) *Both teams will supply the referees up to three balls (minimum three) and the referees will choose three balls from those provided to be used as the game balls.*

**Rationale:**

To have a consistent ball that is used throughout playoffs and eventually throughout all league play in the province.

**GOLF NOTICES**

Golf  
Commissioner

**Notice 22: Policy - Section XIV – Golf – C. Zone Representation – Item 3 c), page 94**

**Current:**

**CARRIED**

- c) Girls will be allowed to go to provincials as individuals if they score 90 or better in their zone tournament and have not qualified with their respective teams.

**Proposed:**

- c) Girls will *also* be allowed to go to provincials as individuals if they score 90 or better in their zone tournament and have not qualified with their respective teams.

**Rationale:**

Due to some misinterpretation this past year, the word 'also' was added to alleviate any confusion.

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Golf  
Commissioner

**Notice 23: Policy – Section XIV –Golf – D. Events – Item 2, page 94**

**Proposed:**

Addition of New item '2' and move '2' to '3' etc.

**CARRIED**

2. *Hosting of the provincial championship will be set on a rotating basis through the establishment of eight regional hosting zones.*

**Rotation:**

- 2011 - North Central
- 2012 – South Central
- 2013 – Edmonton (Public/Metro)
- 2014 – South
- 2015 - North West
- 2016 - Calgary (Independent schools)
- 2017 - Central
- 2018 – North East

**Rationale:**

Finding a host has become somewhat difficult in the sport of Golf and therefore if it was on rotation, zones would know in advance the year they are expected to host, making it easier to plan in advance with some consistency.

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**RUGBY NOTICES**

Rugby  
Commissioners

**Notice 24: Policy - Section III –Eligibility – Participation on a Non-School Team, 1, page 35**

**Current:**

**CARRIED**

1. ...Where a community/club basketball program exists, students are permitted to play for the community/club basketball team while trying out for an ASAA member school team but can no longer play for the community/club team as of the school team's first game or midnight of the Saturday of volleyball provincials, whichever comes first.

**Proposed:**

**Addition of new item:**

*Where a community or club/tour team in Rugby exists, students are permitted to play for the community or club/tour team while trying out for an ASAA member school team. After March 15, no students can participate on any community or club/team or non school tour.*

**Rationale:**

Spring is the time that most school based and club based national and international tours occur. The ASAA commissioners do not want to inhibit the growth of rugby in schools or clubs for the sake of the development of players and the exposure to international rugby at the highest levels. This policy allows for rugby tours to occur during the first month of the season of play without penalties to students or schools.

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Rugby  
Commissioners

**Notice 25: Policy - Section III –Eligibility – Joint School Teams, page 35**

**Current:**

**CARRIED**

In the event an ASAA member school is unable to provide a team (either junior or senior varsity) in the team sports of basketball, volleyball, cheerleading, curling, team handball, football and rugby, individual students from a school may participate with another ASAA member school team within their zone.

**Proposed:**

In the event an ASAA member school is unable to provide a team (either junior or senior varsity) in the team sports of basketball, volleyball, cheerleading, curling, team handball, football and rugby, individual students from a school may participate with another ASAA member school team within their zone.

**Addition of new item:**

*In rugby only, students in member schools, regardless of classification, are eligible to participate on an interschool team for the purpose of touring, up to and during designated spring breaks. Students from the designated schools cannot be excluded from the tour; process must be an open invite to students in all schools involved, not selective. A written account of the nature of the national/international tour must be submitted to the ASAA Executive one month prior to the departure.*

**Rationale:**

This would allow schools to travel nationally/internationally with a full contingent of players for both Sr. & Jr. varsity games. Permits schools rosters to expand for the tour which encourages growth for the sport of rugby.

Rugby  
Commissioners

**Notice 26: Policy - Section IV –Activities – I. Provincial Competition, 2. Competition Dates, page 55**

**Current:**

**DEFEATED** Track & Field to be held on the first weekend in June  
rugby to be held on the second weekend in June

**Proposed:**

*Track & Field to be held on the last weekend in May  
Rugby to be held on the first weekend in June*

**Rationale:**

Rugby provincials are too close to the date of Diploma exams and as a result, more and more zones/school boards are not allowing schools to participate in the provincial tournament. This takes away from the legitimacy of the event and does not reflect true provincial representation. This is the most realistic solution in order to have athletes compete in both events. The season for both sports would be one week earlier, as it was in 2007 and 2008.

Rugby  
Commissioners

**Notice 27: Policy - Section XV –Rugby – D. Representation to provincials, Notes, page 99**

**Current:**

**CARRIED  
AS  
AMENDED** 2. The structure of pools will be reviewed on an annual basis to address any increase or decrease in the number of teams for each tier and/or gender.  
3. Teams that withdraw from provincials following confirmation of pools may be subject to penalties at the discretion of the ASAA Executive Committee.

**Proposed:**

2. The structure of pools will be reviewed on an annual basis to address any increase or decrease in the number of teams for each tier and/or gender.  
3. *The rugby commissioners, in consultation with the ASAA Executive Director, will confirm the final draw one week after the registration and declaration deadline of May 1, to be posted on the ASAA website. Teams that withdraw from provincials after May 15, once the final draw has been confirmed, will be subject to a \$250 penalty. The Executive will have the sole discretion to impose the penalty based on the rationale provided by the school for withdrawal.*

**Rationale:**

Due to the fact that teams are consistently pulling out one to two weeks prior to provincials, a penalty may serve as a deterrent for those teams that feel they can decide if they want to go to provincials one to two weeks prior to the event. The amount of work that is created from the late withdrawal of teams, to change the draw and find teams to fill vacancies, may be alleviated if there is a penalty fee imposed.

**Notice 28: Policy - Section XV –Rugby – D. Representation to provincials, Item 1, page 98**

**Current:**

**CARRIED**

1. Regions for determining representatives to provincials are based on ASAA zones as follows:  
North (NW, NE, NC) Zone  
Edmonton Public  
Edmonton Metro  
Central Zone  
South Central Zone  
Calgary Zone  
South Zone

**Proposed:**

1. Regions for determining representatives to provincials are based on ASAA zones as follows:  
*North West Zone*  
*North East Zone*  
*North Central Zone*  
Edmonton Public  
Edmonton Metro  
Central Zone  
South Central Zone  
Calgary Zone  
South Zone

**Rationale:**

With the sport of Rugby growing in all areas across the province, each zone will now receive their own berth into the provincial tournament, depending on the number of entries. Logistically, it doesn't make sense to have all the North zones have a playoff to determine one berth, and due to the increase in number of teams in the North, each zone should receive their own berth, with the understanding that ASAA Executive Director and ASAA Rugby Commissioners would approve final draws.

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**Notice 29: Policy - Section XV –Rugby – E. Events – Item 2, page 99**

**Proposed:**

**CARRIED**

Addition of New item '2' and move '2' to '3' etc.

2. *Hosting of the provincial championship will be set on a rotating basis through the establishment of three regional hosting zones.*

**Rotation:**

- 2010 – Other (Lethbridge)*
- 2011 – Calgary*
- 2012 – Edmonton*
- 2013 – Other*
- 2014 – Calgary*
- 2015 – Edmonton*
- 2016 – Other*

**Rationale:**

Finding a host is somewhat limited to the facilities that are needed. This is to prevent one zone from having to host consecutive years and zones would know in advance the year they are expected to host, making it easier to plan in advance with some consistency.

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**TEAM HANDBALL NOTICES**

Team Handball  
Commissioner

**Notice 30: Policy - Section IV – Activities – D. Registration Deadlines, page 51**

**Current:**

**CARRIED**

| Sport         | Deadline | Min. # of students required | Deadline to add students |
|---------------|----------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| Team Handball | 22-Mar   | 7                           | 5-Apr                    |

**Proposed:**

| Sport         | Deadline | Min. # of students required | Deadline to add students |
|---------------|----------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| Team Handball | 22-Mar   | 7                           | <b>12-Apr</b>            |

**Rationale:**

Most schools/zones are on Spring Break at or around this time, so the date was pushed a week in order to allow all teams/schools the flexibility and time to add any additional students to their roster.

Team Handball  
Commissioner

**Notice 31: Policy – Section XVI – Team Handball – C. Eligibility – Item 1, page 103**

**Current:**

**CARRIED**

1. The ASAA shall have team handball competition in one tier only. All teams that participate in provincials will be allocated to their gender specific tier for the first year of competition. If after the first year of competition, there are enough teams participating to warrant more than one tier, as determined by the ASAA Executive Committee, then ASAA will make changes accordingly.

**Proposed:**

2. *The ASAA shall have team handball competition in two tiers with each tier being determined by school population as follows:*  
*Tier I – 500+                      Tier II – 499 or less*  
*Schools must declare their intent to participate in provincials on or before the registration deadline and additional players may be added until the first Monday in April.*  
*Schools may opt-up to a higher classification on or before the March 22 registration deadline.*

**Rationale:**

Interest in the sport is growing and in order to encourage growth it is recommended that two tiers be represented at provincials so that schools are competing against same school sizes. There were enough teams to have two tiers at the first provincial championship and this should be continued with the population size as stated above. Population size for tiering is recommended at the numbers stated above to encourage more growth in the 1A/2A and smaller 3A schools.

**TRACK & FIELD NOTICES**

Track & Field  
Commissioner

**Notice 32: Policy – Section XVII– Track and Field – D. Events – Item 4 e), page 109**

**Current:**

**DEFEATED**

- e) The 4x400 M relay will consist of two timed finals with random lane selection.

**Proposed: (NB: For immediate implementation)**

- e) The 4x400 M relay *heats will be seeded as a slow heat and a fast heat. Each zone when entering their relay team will also enter their seed times. The top 8 times will be entered in the fast heat with the remaining teams entered in the slower heat. Lane assignments will be assigned according to the seed times and the slow heat will run first.*

**Rationale:**

In the past at the track meets the 4x400 m relay has been divided into 2 heats with the split being no two teams from the same zone in the same heat. This does not create the best chance for a team to get their best time which is important because this event is a time final. Another consideration is that the heats will be more competitive as the teams will be closer matched. The best seeded time will get lane 4 with the next seeded time getting the 5th lane and the next seeded time getting the 3rd lane and so on. This will ALSO ensure that both races will get the best results.

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## VOLLEYBALL NOTICES

Volleyball  
Commissioners

**Notice 33: Policy – Section XVIII – Volleyball – F. Representation to Provincials – Item 4, b) Host School/Zone, page 116**  
**Current:**

- DEFEATED**
- b) Host School/Zone  
If there are only three 4A schools (including schools that have opted up) in the hosting zone and the zone is normally assigned two berths, the zone will not receive the host school/zone berth.

**Proposed:**

- b) Host School/Zone  
If there are only three 4A schools (including schools that have opted up) in the hosting zone and the zone is normally assigned two berths, the zone will not receive the host school/zone berth.

*If the Host School/Zone berth cannot be filled based on the zone having insufficient number of teams, or for any other reason, the berth will become a vacant berth. This vacant berth will then be awarded to the zone with the highest amount of points in the final ranking period.*

**Rationale:**

This method awards the vacant berth to the zone with the strongest teams. It also is decided before the playoff weekend and teams/zones know going into playoffs, how many berths they have. This method has been the way the vacant berth has been awarded in basketball and it seems to work.

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Volleyball  
Commissioners

**Notice 34: Policy – Section XVIII – Volleyball – F. Representation to Provincials – Playoff Round, page 117**  
**Current:**

- CARRIED**
- Based on the power pool results all teams will then be seeded from 1-16. The playoff round follows a 16-team elimination schedule. First round play will be a best of three-of-five match involving team 1 vs 16, 2 vs 15, 3 vs 14, and so on. Every match on the championship side of the playoff round is best three-of-five. Once a team has been eliminated from the championship side, all remaining matches will be best two-of-three. Teams will continue to play for final placement (1-16).

**Proposed:**

Based on the power pool results all teams will then be seeded from 1-16. The playoff round follows a 16-team elimination schedule. First round play will be a best of three-of-five match involving team 1 vs 16, 2 vs 15, 3 vs 14, and so on. Every match on the championship side of the playoff round, *including the bronze medal match, will be* best three-of-five. Once a team has been eliminated from the championship side, all remaining matches will be best two-of-three. Teams will continue to play for final placement (1-16).

**Rationale:**

Currently the bronze medal match is a best two-of-three match and it should also be a best three-of-five match.

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## WRESTLING NOTICES

CSHSAA

**Notice 35: Policy - Section XIV – Wrestling – Rules – Item 2, page 119**  
**Current:**

- CARRIED**
2. Wrestlers are required to wear a singlet for ASAA rural and provincial championship events as per the requirements in the CAWA rulebook for a national championship. As exceptions to this rule, the ASAA allows a school team to wear a singlet of

school colour(s) which may or may not display a school logo and/or name. Also, the ASAA will allow the new two-piece uniform, which may or may not include a FILA logo or emblem. Aside from these exceptions, the ASAA does not allow any club logos or colours, provincial and/or national logos and/or emblems on singlets are to be worn.

**Proposed:**

2. Wrestlers are required to wear a singlet for ASAA rural and provincial championship events as per the requirements in the CAWA rulebook for a national championship. As exceptions to this rule, the ASAA allows a school team to wear a singlet of school colour(s) which may or may not display a school logo and/or name. Also, the ASAA will allow the new two-piece uniform, which may or may not include a FILA logo or emblem *or in particular situations, competitors may wear athletic shorts of the same singlet colour over the singlet*. Aside from these exceptions, the ASAA does not allow any club logos or colours, provincial and/or national logos and/or emblems on singlets are to be worn.

**Rationale:**

During this stage in a young person's life, teens are more conscious of body image than ever before. As coaches we have been asked by potential wrestlers and their parents if the athlete "has to" wear the singlet. When we have answered "yes" these potential athletes have changed their minds and have not joined the team. In Calgary, the rules have been relaxed and many of these potential athletes have then joined the team. We have allowed them to wear drawstring, zipperless, pocketless shorts of a looser nature over a singlet. In a few cases, they have even worn a loose fitted t-shirt with the understanding that if an official cannot see the shoulders in a pin because of the t-shirt there is no arguing that the official's call stands as they see it. By the end of the season, many of these athletes have become comfortable wearing a singlet alone. We believe that if we had not allowed flexibility with the uniform, many of these athletes may have missed out on a very positive high school and life experience.

Wrestling  
Commissioner

**Notice 36: Policy – Section XIV – Wrestling – D. Representation to Rurals and Provincials – Item 2, page 120**

**Current:**

**CARRIED**

2. At provincials, Calgary, Edmonton and rural zones may each enter five male and female wrestlers per weight class. Team rosters must be submitted to the host chairs for rural and provincial meets at least 48 hours prior to the commencement of the competition.

**Proposed:**

2. At provincials, Calgary, Edmonton and rural zones may each enter five male and *five* female wrestlers per weight class *who attended the qualifying tournament at that weight class*. Team rosters must be submitted to the host chairs for rural and provincial meets at least 48 hours prior to the commencement of the competition.

**Rationale:**

Some schools/teams are trying to get their wrestlers into events to fill out numbers in weight classes even though they did not attend the qualifying tournament in that weight class or at all. This addition to policy will officially state that wrestlers must attend qualifying tournament in order to be eligible to compete at the provincial event.

Wrestling  
Commissioner

**Notice 37: Policy - Section XIV – Wrestling – Scoring – Item 2, page 123**

**Current:**

**CARRIED**

2. Each school team will select its 10 highest finishing wrestlers and combine placement points to determine the top school in each category. All placing competitors count points -this is not to be confused with the CAWA rule that only the top competitor in each weight class to count team points. The team points awarded shall be proportional to the number of participants in each weight class and shall be proportional to the number of participants in each weight class and shall be weighted in the following manner.

**Proposed:**

2. Each school team will select its 10 highest finishing wrestlers and combine placement points to determine the top school in each category. ~~All placing competitors count points -this is not to be confused with the CAWA rule that only the top competitor in each weight class to count team points.~~ The team points awarded shall be proportional to the number of participants in each weight class and shall be proportional to the number of participants in each weight class and shall be weighted in the following manner.

**Rationale:**

By removing this line, we are clarifying policy to read consistently and removing any contradictory phrasing.

**Notice 38: Policy - Section XIV – Wrestling – Scoring – Item 2, page 123**

**Current:**

**DEFEATED**

2. Each school team will select its 10 highest finishing wrestlers and combine placement points to determine the top school in each category. All placing competitors count points -this is not to be confused with the CAWA rule that only the top competitor in each weight class to count team points. The team points awarded shall be proportional to the number of participants in each weight class and shall be proportional to the number of participants in each weight class and shall be weighted in the following manner.

| # of comp.      | 6+ | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
|-----------------|----|---|---|---|---|---|
| Gold            | 10 | 9 | 7 | 5 | 4 | 3 |
| Silver          | 7  | 6 | 5 | 3 | 2 |   |
| Bronze          | 5  | 4 | 3 | 2 |   |   |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | 3  | 2 | 1 |   |   |   |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | 2  | 1 |   |   |   |   |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> | 1  |   |   |   |   |   |

**Proposed:**

- 2. Competitors will be awarded points according to their rankings between first and sixth place. Each athlete's points will accumulate to make a pooled score for their school team. The winning team will then be decided from that score. In the case of a tie, the winning school team will be chosen according to their best overall rankings. That is to say, which team had the most gold, silver or bronze medalists. This would indicate better quality in performance, not just a quantity.*

|                       |           |
|-----------------------|-----------|
| <i>Gold</i>           | <i>10</i> |
| <i>Silver</i>         | <i>7</i>  |
| <i>Bronze</i>         | <i>5</i>  |
| <i>4<sup>th</sup></i> | <i>3</i>  |
| <i>5<sup>th</sup></i> | <i>2</i>  |
| <i>6<sup>th</sup></i> | <i>1</i>  |

**Rationale:**

As the rules presently stand, athletes in smaller weight classes are being awarded fewer points for their team aggregate score even though they have placed as high as other athletes. Athletes in smaller weight classes are as dedicated and hard working regardless of the number of participants in their pool. These athletes deserve to be awarded points according to placement regardless of the lack of other athletes, illnesses or competitors avoiding certain weight classes.