

MINUTES
ALBERTA SCHOOLS' ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
Annual General Meeting
May 8-9, 2014, Stanley A. Milner Library, Edmonton

In attendance:

Executive

Garret Doll, President
Joyce Loucks, Past President
Marg McCuaig-Boyd, Executive Member at Large
Heather Bartling, Director of Athletics
Ken Zelez, Director of Athletics
Daryn Galatiuk, Director of Athletics

Staff

John Paton, Executive Director
Michelle Ross, Deputy Director
Michael Steele, Program Coordinator
Ian MacGillivray, Compliance Officer
Tyler Callaghan, Assistant Director

Commissioners

Kevin MacAlpine, Badminton
Ryan Reed, Boys Basketball
Janice Laing, Girls Basketball
Jennifer Hawriko, Cheerleading
Brent Skene, Curling
Rick Gilson, Football
Greg Forsyth, Boys Rugby

Jerry Flaws, Girls Rugby
Kate Greabeiel, Team Handball
Tim Schultz, Track & Field
Michael Vaughan, Boys Volleyball
Erin Martin, Girls Volleyball
Neil Domstad, Wrestling
Bonnie Fasoli, Sportsmanship

Zones

Frank Durante, Calgary Zone President
Tracy Sullivan, Calgary Ind Rep
Pat Forsyth, Edmonton Public Rep
Marg Derbyshire, South Zone Rep
Craig Patton, South Zone Rep
Brent Anderson, Central Zone Rep
Nathan Hodgson, South Central Zone Rep
Larry Wagner, Northwest Zone Rep
Curtis Paulichuk, Northeast Zone Rep
Kelle Hansen, North Central Zone President

Paul Gagnon, Calgary Zone Rep
George Hoyt, Edmonton Public Rep
Norma Smith, Edmonton Metro Rep
Shane Orr, South Zone President
Shawna Pearman, Central Zone Rep
Steven Lush, Central President
Bruce O'Neil, South Central Zone Rep
Derek Peddle, Northwest Zone Rep
Wade Hicks, North Central Zone Rep
Daniel Hein, North Central Zone Rep

Other Board

Barb Young, HPEC/Member at Large
Anne-Marie Boucher, ASBA

Vang Ioannides, AUAA
Marvin Dobish, ASC

Regrets

Darryl Smith, Cross Country
Dean Sawatzky, Golf
Mark Kozak, ACAC

Dave Morris, CASS
Patrick Loyer, ATA
Jeff Bath, Alberta Education

NOTE: All documents were made accessible online to all delegates in preparation for subsequent Board meetings that will be going paperless

- 1.0 President's Remarks/Welcome and Establishment of Votes
Voting Strength: 40
- 2.0 Adoption of the Agenda

It was moved and seconded to accept the agenda
MOTION CARRIED
- 3.0 Minutes of Annual Planning Meeting, December 5-6, 2013
It was moved and seconded to accept the minutes from the APM
MOTION CARRIED
- 4.0 Financials

4.1 Interim Statement

John gave a verbal report to supplement the financial documents provided to delegates. Highlighted notes included: officials fees are low on revenue and expense side because these were included in a separate line item "50th Vball"; most grants received will zero out at end of year and cease to appear on financial statements; salaries/wages are a net figure, after subtracting allowances of \$20K (SIAAA) and \$51.3K (coach ed.); legal fees up significantly due to CRA audit and court case.

It was moved and seconded to accept the Interim Statement

MOTION CARRIED

4.2 2014/2015 Proposed Budget

Budget for 2014/15 was presented.

Highlighted notes included: Budget has been prepared with assumption that membership fee increase will pass and the Appeals Committee motion will pass. Various costs are anticipated to increase and have been reflected accordingly. New inclusions are: contribution to contingency fund, legal fund, Appeals Committee and scholarship fund.

It was moved and seconded to accept the 2014/15 Budget

MOTION CARRIED

4.3 Sponsorship Update

Subway Peel-a-Deal card was discussed and a promo piece was shown; will be rolled out to all schools as soon as cards are available. They are sold to schools for \$2 each in a bundle of 50 (as a minimum order) and can be used as a fundraiser at the school level (price \$10)

Hotels.tv was also discussed as a potential new sponsor at the supplier level to work with local communities to help find hotels for their championship events and their local events. ASAA will receive a percentage back from the bookings made for provincial championships.

United Cycle is also back on the table for discussions to become an ASAA sponsor once again at the Gold level.

5.0 Business Arising:

5.1 APM Action Items

John reviewed the action items that came out of the APM in December and provided an update to all delegates on the status of each action item.

- no changes will be made to exam dates, following a request made to Alberta Ed.
- membership fee survey was done and shared with all zones
- cost of attending provincials: it was requested that some research be done on this and Rick Gilson (ASAA Football Commissioner) noted he is conducting some research on this item to present at December 2014 APM
- media attention for ASAA provincial championships: ASAA is still in communications with SportsCanada.tv to work with them on consistent webstreaming of provincial championships; these discussions will continue
- transfer issues: all issues were addressed in notices of motion and we now require the date of transfer to the receiving school be included during the online process

ACTION ITEM: Rick Gilson to continue researching costs of attending provincial championships for member school teams; he will present data at the 2014 APM

6.0 Reports

6.1 President

Brief remarks and highlights made by Garret about the year including: 50th anniversary of volleyball event, which was excellent and well organized; 600 transfers so far this year and thankful to Ian as Compliance Officer for doing a great job managing this; Alberta Sport Plan was discussed briefly and would like to see schools continue to speak up in support of school sport; excellent leadership of the ASAA office and all its initiatives

6.2 Executive Director

Written report provided to all delegates. John provided brief remarks from his report which included: GST discussion with regards to officiating groups that ASAA works with and how

ASAA will need to deal with this issue moving forward; zone meetings attended; staff updates – goodbye to Cori in the office and thanks to Fiona for filling in during Michelle's maternity leave.

It was moved and seconded to have all officials' fees paid by the hosts instead of the ASAA office.

MOTION CARRIED

ACTION ITEM: John to have communications with officials' groups regarding this item and apply the appropriate logistics if/when amenable to those groups. Subsequent communication with ASAA hosts will follow.

6.3 AIAAA

Presentation provided Tyler which included: update on masters program provided by Indiana State University in coordination with AIAAA; new course was launched: 602C – Creating your Athletic Handbook; AIAAA is now able to conduct courses online using a Webinar format and program; AIAAA conference in Calgary on June 19-21. From a CIAAA perspective, He noted presentation of courses throughout Alberta and Saskatchewan, Vienna and upcoming in Toronto, all funded by local organizations.

6.4 Schoolcoach.ca

Written report and presentation provided by Mike which included: rebrand of schoolcoach.ca is complete with only a few minor changes to be made on the website; volleyball and basketball videos have been shot using Alberta student athletes and the courses should be set to launch in Fall of 2014; track course to be launched in 2014-15 school year; sport nutrition course to be started and will be applying for a grant; FOC course will be updated so that it is more user friendly and ipad/Mac friendly; legal course is still very low in numbers of people taking it, goal is to come up with a strategy to promote it; review of course sales; accreditation update was provided

ACTION ITEM: add to the APM agenda the discussion of making the legal course the next mandatory course for all schools

6.5 Compliance Officer

Written report was provided by Ian which included: some surprises regarding transfer requests have been the sheer volume of them, almost 60% of transfers fall into the (f) category (other reasons); challenges of the position include sifting through the 'real' truths/'half truths'/'false' truths; being able to ask tough questions of the AD's and students; the realization that not all AD's are on the same page about the transfer policy; lack of knowledge of the ASAA and its' policies by parents continues to be a challenge; recommendations include meeting with the executive at least twice a year; continue to send out reminder emails to AD's as it speeds up the process; transfer policy and online process needs to be discussed at zone meetings so AD's have a better understanding; future goals would include consulting more with AD's across the province via emails regarding feedback on ASAA transfer policy

ACTION ITEM: add to the APM 2014 agenda a discussion on moving the registration deadline for each sport to start of season

6.6 Commissioners: Wrestling, Curling, Cheerleading, Basketball, Team Handball
Badminton, Sportsmanship

Each commissioner provided a written report and offered brief comments on their sport.

It was moved and seconded to accept all reports

MOTION CARRIED

6.7 Other Reports: ASBA, HPEC, Alberta Education, AUAA, ASC

ASBA – highlights included: Student Health and well being continues to be part of the ASBA Strategic Plan and a high priority; still continue to have budget issues; elections just occurred

and so there are a lot of new people; dual credit issues continues to be a discussion item at board level

HPEC – highlights included: next conference in Banff; past year was in Edmonton and numbers seem to be down; regional reps continue to offer workshops across the province that are great opportunities for Phys Ed & Health teachers/coaches, contact lists for reps is on the HPEC website; HPEC and AB Ed are working together in responding to the Inspiring Education document, there will be changes in the high school program what will probably have implications for ASAA schools and coaches in the future; Ever Active Schools continues to offer workshops for teachers on curriculum and has received funding to work on innovative and collaborative wellness projects that result in increased health & wellness in children & youth – including work with the ASAA to have healthy eating at school sporting events.

Alberta Education – highlights included: Inspiring Education document which includes a new provincial dual credit strategy to create opportunities for students to earn both high school and post secondary credits for the same course; curriculum redesign update which is a new collaborative approach to developing curriculum that involves broad range of education partners; all information can be found online at <http://education.alberta.ca>

ASC (Alberta Sport Connection) – highlights included: rebranding of ASRPWF to ASC; focus on sport as a mandate; overview of what they are doing and events that are coming up was presented www.albertasport.ca ; request was made for ASAA member schools to review the Alberta Sport Plan and provide feedback

ACTION ITEM: send out to delegation the link to the Alberta Sport Plan and solicit feedback to ASC via the online survey of 5 questions.

AUAA – highlights included: no more red shirt/sit out for one year upon return from playing in the United States; the open transfer policy means that you are eligible to play immediately if you have not exhausted your years of eligibility; excited to keep working with ASAA and looks forward to working with high schools

It was moved and seconded to accept all reports.

MOTION CARRIED

7.0

Notices of Motion

7.1 Notices of Motion

Thursday
Friday

Voting Strength: 40
Voting Strength: 34

Notices 1-17
Notices 18-49

Notice 1	CARRIED *as amended*	Notice 26	CARRIED *as amended*
Notice 2	CARRIED	Notice 27	CARRIED
Notice 3	CARRIED	Notice 28	DEFEATED
Notice 4	CARRIED	Notice 29	CARRIED
Notice 5	CARRIED	Notice 30	CARRIED *as amended*
Notice 6	DEFEATED	Notice 31	WITHDRAWN
Notice 7	CARRIED	Notice 32	WITHDRAWN
Notice 8	CARRIED	Notice 33	WITHDRAWN
Notice 9	CARRIED	Notice 34	WITHDRAWN
Notice 10	CARRIED	Notice 35	CARRIED
Notice 11	CARRIED	Notice 36	CARRIED
Notice 12	CARRIED	Notice 37	CARRIED
Notice 13	CARRIED	Notice 38	CARRIED
Notice 14	CARRIED	Notice 39	CARRIED
Notice 15	CARRIED	Notice 40	CARRIED
Notice 16	CARRIED	Notice 41	CARRIED
Notice 17	CARRIED	Notice 42	CARRIED *as amended*
Notice 18	CARRIED *as amended*	Notice 43	CARRIED
Notice 19	WITHDRAWN	Notice 44	DEFEATED

Notice 20	CARRIED	Notice 45	WITHDRAWN
Notice 21	CARRIED	Notice 46	CARRIED
Notice 22	DEFEATED	Notice 47	CARRIED
Notice 23	CARRIED	Notice 48	CARRIED
Notice 24	CARRIED *as amended*	Notice 49	CARRIED
Notice 25	CARRIED		

NOTICE 1

Motion as amended (in bold) to read:

Add cross country to the exceptions and clarify noisemakers.

D. Spectators

a. Spectators, both student and adult, must demonstrate courtesy and good sportsmanship by positive cheers of encouragement for their team, not against the opposing team. This is evidence by the absence of booing and vulgarities. Spectators must also show proper acceptance of officials' judgment. Artificial noisemakers are not permitted during provincial championship tournaments/event **including: badminton, basketball, cheerleading, curling, golf, team handball, track & field, volleyball and wrestling. With the exception of air horns and electronic mega phones, noisemakers are permitted at cross country, football and rugby.** These noisemakers may include but are not limited to: air horns, cow bells, plastic tube horns, garbage can lids, etc. The provincial championship host shall have the authority to eject from the competition facility individuals who, following a warning, refuse to comply with this requirement.

NOTICE 18

Motion as amended (in bold) to read:

Deletion of words in point a) under coaching; and clarification of wording in point a) under Officials.

A. Rules

The rules governing badminton shall be the laws of badminton as adopted by the International Badminton Federation and the Canadian Badminton Association.

Competition Information:

Intervals:

a) A 1 minute interval is allowed during each game once one side reaches 11 points. The athlete is not allowed to leave the court.

Coaching:

a) Coaching will be allowed after the first set for one full minute and after the second set for two full minutes. During which time neither the coach nor the athlete may leave the court.

Note: Sufficient water and extra racquets should be with the player on court at the start of the match.

Officials:

a) There must be a qualified Badminton Alberta official present at every championship.

NOTICE 24

Motion as amended (in bold) to read:

Deletion of first sentence.

Add new item after 1. & 3.,

NOTE: Games do not need to be scheduled in order of game number.

NOTICE 26

Motion as amended (in bold) to read:

Revert back to current policy but delete last line of paragraph.

C. Eligibility

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2. Schools are required to submit the names of their curling athletes in ExNet by the registration deadline. All students on the curling team are eligible to compete on any school curling teams; however, the athletes that play together at all qualifying events for provincials (e.g., districts, zones) are the ones that form the team that moves on to the provincial competition.

NOTICE 30

Motion as amended (in bold) to read:

Word change in motion from modifications to clarifications in first sentence.

A. Rules

The playing rules used by the ASAA shall be those endorsed by the International Rugby Board (IRB) U-19 Variations with the following **clarifications**:

NOTICE 42

Motion as amended (in bold) to read:

Deletion of point iii).

Addition of new item after E. Event, 3., current 4. would become 5 etc.

4. Team Handball Provincials can be hosted in one of three manners:

- i) A combined event including Tier I Boys & Girls and Tier II Boys & Girls; or**
- ii) At the Tier Level, hosting Tier I Boys & Girls or Tier II Boys & Girls**

8.0 New Business

8.1 Three Day Tournaments
Agenda item withdrawn

8.2 Zone Meeting Dates
Zones were requested to submit meeting dates early in order to avoid any conflicts with other zones' meeting dates so that ASAA can be sure to have a representative at all meetings; this past year there were three zone meeting dates on one day and ASAA wasn't able to attend all meetings.

ACTION ITEM: coordinate with Zone Secretaries on the dates of their Fall and Spring Meetings, and to find out if there is any flexibility in their policies for date change

8.3 Track & Field – multi-event and 300m hurdles
Tim Schultz has been in communications with Athletics Alberta about his idea for ASAA to have a pentathlon event at ASAA provincials (100 m, long jump, shot put, high jump, 1000m – boys, 800 m – girls) over 1 day. He suggests addition of a 300m hurdles event as progression to 400m hurdles post-high school.

ACTION ITEM: zones are asked to go back to their zone and have discussions on these two items and provide feedback to be brought back to the 2014 APM where it will be on the agenda

ACTION ITEM: ASAA to correct implements document online with proper weights to align with policy handbook

8.4 FIBA
New FIBA rule change proposals were reviewed and discussed. The Board is in support of Art. 2.4.7 No-charge semi-circle areas and Art. 38 Technical Foul but unanimously did not support the other 3 proposed rule changes.

ACTION ITEM: ASAA office to communicate with ABOA on this decision so that both organizations are on the same page; ASAA to send out communication to all schools in the new year to provide an overview of progress on discussions and proposed policy modifications.

ACTION ITEM: zones to poll their schools to see which schools have the technological capacity to do the 24-14 second shot clock rule change; provide feedback to ASAA to continue communications with ABOA

8.5 Alberta Sport Plan
A paper copy of the document was passed around to all delegates for review and feedback. Please refer to ASC report above for more information. School Personnel are encouraged to complete the five question online survey.

8.6 Rugby Discussion
Item was tabled to APM

ACTION ITEM: add this item to APM agenda

- 8.7 Scholarship Program
A call was put out to all delegates for anyone interested in sitting on a committee that will work on the details of the scholarship program and all criteria involved with it. Anyone interested was asked to contact John Paton.
- 8.8 Ever Active Schools presentation
Presentation was shown to the Board regarding stats on workshops and pilot projects conducted by Ever Active Schools with regards to requiring healthy eating option be offered at ASAA provincial championships. Request was made of Board to support this initiative and by straw poll, the Board strongly supported this concept.

ACTION ITEM: ASAA to put together a committee to bring further recommendations forward at the APM with regards to this new initiative

Voting Strength Re-Established: 29

- 9.0 Vacant Bids
- 9.1 Vacant Bids for 2014/15: Cheerleading and Team Handball
Item was discussed and commissioners are looking into potential hosts.
- 9.2 Bids for 2015/16:
Uncontested
- 9.2.1 1A Girls Volleyball: St. Thomas More, NW Zone
- 9.2.2 1A Boys Volleyball: Ecole Heritage, NW Zone
- Motion to accept uncontested bids
MOTION CARRIED
- Contested
- 9.2.3 2A Girls Volleyball:
St. Augustine, Central Zone
Vauxhall, South Zone
Secret ballot vote: Awarded to Vauxhall School
- 10.0 Elections (not before 11 a.m. Wednesday)
The following positions were decided via acclimation. The successful candidates were:
- 10.1 Executive
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| Vice-President | Tom Christensen, Olds High, SC Zone |
| Director of Athletics (Boys): | Michael Vaughan, Three Hills High, SC Zone |
- 10.2 Commissioners
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| Boys Basketball: | Jeromy Hall, Highwood High, SC Zone |
| Cheerleading: | Jennifer Hawriko, Paul Kane, Edmonton Zone |
- Officials: there were no nominations for this position and it was decided to leave the position vacant for now with the idea of phasing out the position and incorporating officials communication into each respective sport commissioner role (in coordination with ASAA office staff)
- 11.0 2014/15 ASAA APM: December 4-5, 2014, Red Deer
2014/15 ASAA AGM: May 7-8, 2015, Edmonton
- 12.0 Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 12:40 p.m.