

MINUTES
ASAA Executive Meeting
Wednesday, May 10, 2017
Best Western Inn, Leduc

In Attendance: Tom Christensen, President	John Paton, Executive Director
Rick Gilson, Vice President	Michael Steele, Sr. Assistant Director
Sheila Garber, Director of Athletics	Deanna Metro, Assistant Director
Michael Vaughan, Director of Athletics	Elyshia Korobko, Admin Assistant
Hank Smid, Director of Athletics	Shanna Kurylo, Unified Sports

Regrets: Joyce Loucks, Member at Large

Meeting was put into session at 2:05 p.m. by Tom Christensen

- 1.0 Adoption of the agenda (including amendments/additions if any)
Motion to accept the adoption of the agenda
MOTION CARRIED
- 2.0 Adoption of the minutes from the Executive Meeting of April 4, 2017
Motion to accept the minutes from the Executive Meeting of April 4, 2017
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- 3.0 Adoption of the web minutes from the Executive Meeting of April 4, 2017
Motion to accept the web minutes from the Executive Meeting of April 4, 2017
MOTION CARRIED
- 4.0 Financial
 - 4.1 Interim Financial Reports to May 10, 2017
Motion to accept the Interim Financial Reports to May 10, 2017
MOTION CARRIED
- 5.0 Reports
 - 5.1 Staff

John – John has been able to get out to the majority of the Spring Zone Meetings and with fewer Notices of Motion than usual, meetings have been very positive. Following several communications, John invited Rob Krepps from the U of A Green and Gold System to speak to the Board at the AGM. We are planning to have a Rugby Summit at the end of June: bring the Rugby Community together to discuss the 12 years of ASAA Rugby since inception and options moving forward. John and Shanna have had some great meetings with Special O and Athletics Alberta about Para and Unified Track. He feels that some of the associations serving athletes with disabilities could do a better job of collaborating towards common goals. John and Deanna had a meeting with Paul Sir from Basketball Alberta and looked at some of the goals that Paul has for Basketball. John attended the ASC Conference in Banff; great sessions and networking. Andrew Ference is the new chair of ASC and he challenges the system to support sport. John consulted with Michael Keyes about the Recruitment Policy before it was sent out as an Executive Notice of Motion to the membership. John did some of the Hall of Fame Interviews while he was in Calgary as well as had a meeting with Hon. Marg McCuaig-Boyd about sports and the cuts that athletics has had.

Mike – For the last couple of weeks, Mike has been dealing with both Badminton Provincials and Team Handball Provincials. These events took place in Red Deer, Edmonton and Lacombe. They were all great events, and well run by the hosts. There is an issue with the growth of Team Handball which has stalled in recent years. There needs to be a strategy to grow and sustain the sport; possibly a Team Handball Summit with members of the Team handball community. Badminton was a spectacular event and superbly organized. Only one student missed being there for their match and had to forfeit. For many years in Badminton, ASAA has given medals out to the B side of the

tournament, which is technically 9, 10 and 11th place. Mike has reached out to Kevin MacAlpine about this and there will be a discussion at the AGM.

ACTION ITEM: Mike to reach out to Kate regarding a Team Handball Summit Meeting.

ACTION ITEM: Add Badminton Medal allocation as a discussion item at the AGM.

Deanna – Deanna attended Cheer Provincials which were well organized. There is a concern that there will be a deficit largely due to facility cost, but Deanna will provide further information once the financial report is in. Track Provincials is coming up at the beginning of June. Metro has been spearheading everything and have been awesome to work with so far. Those doing registrations will have two options this year and Deanna will make sure this is communicated with our zones. Unified and Para events will be registered through the zone this year instead of coming through the office. Heather will be meeting with Deanna mid-May to plan for IMPACT 2018. This will include confirming dates, starting to plan and getting the information out. Track courses have been launched and the uptake is very good so far.

Shanna – There have been a couple of Bean Bag Toss Tournaments held throughout the province and the events have been very successful. NE Zone would like to do several Bean Bag Toss Tournaments within the school calendar year. Unified Basketball tournaments are coming up at the end of May and they are shaping up nicely. There will also be Unified relays (4 x 100m) at Track & Field Provincials. There is more interest being expressed in Unified Sports; it is growing faster than Shanna had expected.

Elyshia – Elyshia has been busy prepping everything for AGM and for the Hall of Fame Banquet. This included getting invitations out, and collecting RSVP's. It was harder to get our zones and Commissioners to register for the AGM this year. We had 2 appeals today, which Elyshia prepped for and passed out the information to the Executive Appeals Committee. As information, in the past two years we have had 5 transgender students who have needed to have their gender changed in the SRS.

ACTION ITEM: Elyshia to do a breakdown of the number of transgender students that we have changed in the SRS since the policy change.

5.2 Appeals

We had 2 appeals earlier today – both were approved. One was a 4th Year Student applying for the 2017/18 School Year and the other was in regards to Joint School Team Policy.

5.3 Compliance Officer

Morgan will share a report at the AGM

5.4 Executive

The Executive shared highlights from the past month.

6.0 Business arising

6.1 Action Item Updates

Action Items were reviewed and discussed

6.2 “If time allows” issues (i.e. defer to end of meeting): No time at this meeting to review

6.2.1 Policy Handbook Review

6.2.2 Strategic Plan (30 minute group work as directed by Tom)

6.2.3 Recruitment and Undue Influence Policy review

7.0 New business

7.1 Appeals/requests:

No special appeals or requests

7.2 Disciplinary

There is no additional information to share with the Executive on this situation as the Coach involved has not returned to school.

7.3 Bids

7.3.1 Tier I & II Rugby – CSHSAA

Motion to accept bid

MOTION CARRIED

7.3.2 Tier I Team Handball – St. Peter the Apostle, Edmonton

Motion to table this bid to the June Executive Meeting

MOTION CARRIED

7.3.3 Rural Wrestling – Sexsmith Secondary, North West Zone

Motion to accept bid

MOTION CARRIED

7.3.4 Curling – St. Albert Catholic/Paul Kane, Metro Zone

Motion to accept bid

MOTION CARRIED

7.4 Para Athletes in Extra Events

There is a student who is a para athlete and would like to compete in discus with non-para athletes, but as a para athlete himself (short stature). The coach would like him to be considered his own event.

The Executive decided, that this request would be denied for this year because opening the discus event to one para athlete means opening it to all. Consideration will be given to expanding our event offerings to para athletes next year.

7.5 Canada Winter Games 2019: ASAA Conflicts

The dates of the Canada Winter Games conflict with ASAA curling in 2019. Executive decided to wait and see if the Curling Notice of Motion re Season of Play is passed; if passed this point becomes moot.

7.5 Rotation Schedule for Provincials through to 2023/24: will be discussed at the AGM

7.6 AGM 2017 – Roles and Responsibilities, incl. NOM: was discussed

7.7 SASS Casino – November 9/10, 2017, Century Casino, Edmonton

7.8 Next Meeting: June 15 or 16, 2017 – Canmore (Optional Executive attendance at CIAAA Institute)

The Executive decided that we will have our Executive Meeting on June 16th from 9 am to 3pm (Editor's note: CSHSAA has requested the opportunity to meet the Executive to discuss the new Recruitment Policy; this will occur in the morning and as a result the Executive meeting will start at 12:00 noon and will go until at least 4pm.

8.0 Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn meeting at 4:45 pm

MOTION CARRIED