

# Saskatchewan High Schools Athletic Association



**Executive Meeting  
April 2 & 3, 2009  
Elk Ridge Resort**



## Call to Order

President Angela Tillier called the meeting to order at 6:15pm. In attendance were Kelly Schneider, Wendy Benson, Brian Grest, Amanda Miazga, Larry Segall, Larry Bedel, Larry Pavloff, Kelsey Panko, Mark Edmonds, Kevin Vollet and Lyle McKellar. Missing with regrets – Roger Morgan

## 1. Adoption of April 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2009 Agenda

The April 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> agenda was circulated. The January 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> minutes were circulated and reviewed.

**MOTION** by Edmonds/Panko to adopt the April 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2009 agenda. **CARRIED**

### 1.1 January 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>, 2009 minutes

**MOTION** by Pavloff/Edmonds to adopt the minutes from the January 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>, 2008 executive meetings. **CARRIED**

## 2. Reports

### 2.1 Financial Report

#### 2.1.1 Financial Statement – February 2009

The February financial statement was circulated and reviewed.

**MOTION** by Segall/Schneider to purchase gift for Kim Platt. **CARRIED**

**MOTION** by Segall/Miazga to adopt the March financial statement. **CARRIED**

#### 2.1.2 Monthly Reports

A monthly comparative statement was circulated.

### 2.2 Office Report

As part of the office report a review of the action list for office staff and executive from the previous meeting updated everyone on completed and pending tasks. Pending tasks for the office staff and the executive will be added to the April meeting action list.

A brief report of office activities for the months of January, February, and March was circulated.

### 2.3 Executive Reports

#### 2.3.1 Mixed Curling

Mixed curling was hosted in Kelliher with Julie Stiglitz acting as commissioner for the event. Thank you to the host committee.

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## 2.3.2 Girls Curling

Girls' curling was hosted in Spiritwood with Brad Nemish acting as commissioner. All went well despite less than good weather on Thursday. Thank you to the host committee.

## 2.3.3 Boys Curling

Boys' curling was hosted in Carrot River with Cory Schmaltz acting as commissioner. Thank you to the host committee.

## 2.3.4 Conference and Regional Basketball

A report regarding the host sites of conference and regional tournaments was circulated. Some groupings of eight teams in conference play were split into two conference tournaments of four teams each advancing two qualifiers to save on travel required to complete an eight team conference tournament. Conference play at the 4A level in both boys and girls continues to be an issue with such few teams registered in the classification. The office continued its policy of not having two regional tournaments hosted from the same school.

## 2.3.5 Regional Wrestling

Regional wrestling was held in Swift Current with Allen Blanke as commissioner. The number of participants was up from last year. Thank you to the host committee.

## 2.3.6 HOOPLA

HOOPLA was held in Regina with three gymnasiums at the University of Regina being utilized along with LeBoldus High School. SUBWAY was the presenting sponsor and the U of R was an event sponsor. Thank you to Greg Johnson and his host committee. There was very good coverage of the event by Saskatchewan media. Positive comments from many that were involved about three gymnasiums in one facility.

## 2.3.7 Provincial Wrestling

Provincial wrestling was hosted at Mount Royal Collegiate in Saskatoon with Pat Barry and Jeff Colquhoun acting as commissioners for the event. There were some issues with the time required to complete skin checks and weigh-ins due to the availability of medical practitioners.

## 2.3.8 Sportsmanship Awards

The following schools were selected as Sportsmanship Award Recipients:

***Wrestling – Greenall High School (Balgonie)***

***Boys Curling – Langenburg School***

***Girls Curling – Esterhazy Central High School***

***Mixed Curling – Allan School***

***Boys Basketball – Lumsden High School and North Battleford Comprehensive***

***Girls Basketball – Central Butte School and Winston Knoll Collegiate (Regina)***

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## 2.3.9 Recommendation forms for Executive Liaisons

The coaches' recommendation and evaluation forms that were collected during the playoffs were given to the Curling, Wrestling, and Basketball Executive liaisons. Reports are to be provided at the May meeting.

## 2.4 Committee Reports

### 2.4.1 Symposium

The symposium is scheduled for August 17 and 18, 2009. It will be held at Aden Bowman Collegiate in Saskatoon. Registration brochures are to be in the schools by May 15.

### 2.4.2 Officials

Work continues on the development of an Officials' Corner on the SHSAA website.

### 2.4.3 Women in Sport Conference

The conference is set for May 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> at the University of Regina. Registration brochures have been sent to schools and are also available on the SHSAA website.

### 2.4.4 Finance and Management

Congratulations to Jessica and Cory Blair on the birth of their second child. Jessica has gone on maternity leave and was replaced by Sarah LeBlanc. We welcome Sarah to the office staff. It is with regret that the SHSAA has accepted the resignation of Kim Platt effective March 27, 2009. Direction was given to the Executive Director to complete office staffing as needed to ensure office duties are carried out.

## 2.5 CSSF

Kevin Vollet has been returned as the Treasurer for the CSSF.

## 3. Decisions

### 3.1 Late filing appeals

3.1.1 A letter of appeal was received from Hanley Composite School regarding the late filing of the E-5 form for their curling teams.

**MOTION** by Grest/Segall to waive the \$50 late filing fee assessed to Hanley Composite School's three curling teams. **DEFEATED**

### 3.2 Team Withdrawals

A total of 11 teams withdrew from Basketball playoffs after February 5, 2009 and as a result were fined \$200 as per SHSAA policy.

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3.2.1 Saskatoon ED Feehan

3.2.2 Saskatoon Bethlehem

3.2.3 Saskatoon Bedford Road

A letter of appeal was received on behalf of the three schools that withdrew from Conference basketball in Meadow Lake.

**MOTION** by Miazga/Segall to accept the appeal and waive the \$200 fine for the three schools from Saskatoon. **CARRIED**

3.2.4 Big River

A letter of appeal was received on behalf of Big River Community High School which withdrew from Conference basketball at Se Se Wa Hum.

**MOTION** by Grest/Panko to accept the appeal and waive the \$200 fine for Big River Community High School. **CARRIED**

3.2.5 Edam withdrawal from Regional Basketball

Edam qualified for 1A Girls Regional Basketball because of their win at the conference tournament in Medstead. Edam contacted the SHSAA office to indicate that they would not be attending the Regional tournament in which they had been placed. As Edam had eliminated teams at the conference level, the recommendation of the Executive Director was that Edam would be suspended from conference playoffs for the 2009-2010 basketball season.

3.3 Regional Basketball

3.3.1 Thunderchild

Correspondence between the SHSAA office and Thunderchild School was circulated. A complaint was registered to the SHSAA from a Member school that an ineligible student was used during conference play. An investigation was conducted that resulted in the forfeiture of all contests using this student.

3.3.2 Unity

Letters were received from Unity Composite High School regarding the conference basketball tournament in Lumsden. It was noted that Lumsden were excellent hosts for the event.

3.4 Kelliher football request

A letter was received from Kelliher School requesting SHSAA approval for an exhibition football game to be played July 4, 2009 between Kelliher School and Lambert, Montana.

**MOTION** by Segall/Panko to table the previous motion until more information is obtained by the SHSAA office regarding the game. **CARRIED**

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## 3.5 Open Bids

### 3.5.1 Grass Golf

Bids for the 2009 Grass Green Golf championship were received from Weyburn Comprehensive, Porcupine Plain School, and Humboldt Collegiate.

Weyburn was selected as the host for the 2009 SHSAA Provincial Grass Green Championship.

### 3.5.2 1A Girls Soccer

A bid to host the 2009 1A Girls provincial Soccer championship was received from Muenster School.

The championship was awarded to Muenster School.

### 3.5.3 2A Boys Soccer

There were no bids received for this championship. Participating schools will be notified by the SHSAA for the need of a host.

### 3.5.4 4A Girls Volleyball

Bids for the 2009 championship were received from Melville, Dalmeny, Clavet, Assiniboia, and Creighton.

Clavet was awarded the 4A Girls Volleyball Championship for 2009.

## 3.6 Football Requests

Requests were received from Canora Composite School, Evan Hardy Collegiate, Prince Albert Carlton Comprehensive, Prince Albert St. Mary, Lumsden, Delisle Composite School, and Central Butte School to allow an exception for students in their schools to be eligible to take part in the Football Saskatchewan under 19 football tryouts and Canada Cup National Championships.

**MOTION** by Miazga/Benson to accept the requests and allow the exception for the students to participate in the Football Saskatchewan under 19 program. **CARRIED**

## 3.7 O'Neill Basketball Classification

A letter was received from O'Neill High School requesting the office revisit their ineligible students of September 2008 for classification for the 2009 – 2010 school year.

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## 4. Discussion

### 4.1 CSSF AGM – September 2009

At this point the Executive Director and President will be the only Saskatchewan attendees to the CSSF Annual Meeting to be held in Vancouver at the beginning of October.

### 4.2 Provincial 5A Volleyball Locations

Due to correspondence received by the SHSAA office regarding the number of consecutive provincial hosts originating from the South Regional the Executive was provided with a history of host locations for 5A volleyball and the projections for future years.

### 4.3 Regional Basketball hosting

Discussion took place with regards to regional host sites in basketball. The SHSAA office explained the existing philosophy – the top four seeds are not automatic and the regional sites are distributed around the province in an attempt that a balance throughout the districts is achieved ensuring the availability of officials. The current policy also does not place two regional tournaments in the same school.

### 4.4 AGM Resolution Review

Possible AGM resolutions from executive meetings and provincial coaches meetings were reviewed in preparation for the release of the resolutions following the May 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> Executive meeting.

### 4.5 AGM Agenda

The AGM agenda was reviewed and a finalized schedule will be posted in May.

### 4.6 3A Girls Wrestling trophy

An office report on the situation regarding the trophy which has been misplaced by last year's winning team. The school will be invoiced for replacement.

### 4.7 Use of Grade 8 for Curling

A verbal report was provided regarding the use of a grade eight to complete a second team for Watrous in girls curling. The Horizon Central District playoff allows for two teams per school and the grade eight was required to complete the second team for Watrous thus allowing three more grade 9 – 12 students to compete.

### 4.8 SHSAA Scholarship

A discussion occurred regarding the possibility of the SHSAA sponsoring a scholarship on an annual basis. A more thorough proposal will be put in place and made available to the Executive for the 2009 – 2010 school year.

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## 4.9 2009 – 2010 Basketball Conferences

The Executive were provided with the proposed conferences for 2009 – 2010 basketball season. The Executive is to reply to the SHSAA office by April 24<sup>th</sup> if they have feedback regarding the proposal. The conferences should be posted to the SHSAA website during the last week of April.

## 4.10 Saskatchewan Games Council

Kevin Vollet, representing the SHSAA, met with members of the Sask. Games Council to review the relationship that exists between the two organizations.

## 4.11 NFHS Sportsmanship DVD

A new video promoting sportsmanship through its association with the NFHS was reviewed by the Executive.

## 4.12 Miller High School – reclassification annulment

A letter was circulated that had been sent to Miller High School explaining their 4A classification in girls' basketball for 2009 – 2010 basketball season.

## 4.13 Cheerleading

Executive members discussed the various cheerleading competitions that are happening around the province. They hope that safety and competition guidelines can be shared among those centers offering the activity.

## 5. Information

### 5.1 Thank you letters

A letter was received from Frontier thanking the Association for the opportunity to host a regional basketball tournament.

### 5.2 Correspondence Received

#### 5.2.1 SSBA Appointment

Larry Pavloff has been appointed as the Saskatchewan School Boards Association to the SHSAA Executive council.

#### 5.2.2 Basketball Saskatchewan

A letter was received from BSI indicating their hope that in the re-design of the SHSAA website pictures of basketball will be included.

#### 5.2.3 Sponsorship Renewals

Renewal agreements were received from Sask Tel, SGI, and Credit Unions of Saskatchewan.

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- 5.2.4 Sponsorship Proposal  
The Executive was provided with a letter outlining the SHSAA proposal for increased sponsorship proposals.
- 5.2.5 Carlton Wrestling Tournament  
A thank you and update from Carlton Comprehensive on the success of the rural wrestling tournament they have hosted the past two years.
- 5.2.6 Thank you card from University of Saskatchewan
- 5.2.7 Sask. Sport  
A letter of notification was received regarding the Saskatchewan Sport Awards Banquet and the voting procedure for the Athlete of the Year Awards.
- 5.2.8 SABO Agreement  
A copy of the two year agreement between the SHSAA and SABO was made available to the Executive.
- 5.2.9 Coach Discipline  
Correspondence between the SHSAA office and Thom High School was provided to the Executive.
- 5.2.10 Transfer Decision  
Correspondence between the SHSAA office and Bedford Road Collegiate was provided to the Executive.
- 5.2.11 Sports Hall of Fame  
A renewal for membership was received from Saskatchewan Sports Hall of Fame and Museum.
- 5.3 Canora letter  
A letter was received from Canora Composite School regarding Regional basketball. The SHSAA office will contact Canora to indicate that they should first forward their concerns to the school involved before the Executive Director investigates their concerns.
- 5.4 Clavet parent letter  
A letter was received and then forwarded to Sakewew High School in North Battleford regarding the great sportsmanship and respect shown by the Sakewew team at the regional basketball tournament hosted in Birch Hills.
- 5.5 Wrestling letter  
A letter was received discussing the possibility of changes at the Regional Wrestling tournament.

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5.6 Badminton Protective Eyewear

A summary of the policies around the province was circulated to the Executive in preparation of the upcoming regional badminton playoffs.

5.7 North West District – letter of concern

A letter was received from the North West District outlining their concern over the withdrawal of teams from the conference basketball tournament that was hosted in Meadow Lake on March 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>.

6. New Business

No new business.

7. Next Meeting - Sunday May 24<sup>th</sup> (6:00p.m.) and Monday May 25<sup>th</sup> (8:30a.m.) at the Regina West Harvest Inn.

8. Adjournment

**MOTION** by Segall/Grest to adjourn meeting at 3:00p.m.