

CMSAA SPRING MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, March 31st, 2016

Chair: Anders Nordby (President)
Location: Moody Middle Library
Time: 4:00 p.m.
Minutes prepared by: Alex Abello (Secretary)

1. Sign-In and Attendance:

Banting	Becky Nicolson	Maillard	Andrea O'Neill
Citadel	Ralph Goring	Maple Creek	Ron Lee
Como Lake	Terry Argotow	Minnekhada	Bart V.
Eagle Mountain	Anders Nordby Renn Manners	Monty	Paige Perry
Hillcrest	Stefan Lageston	Moody	Alex Abello
Kway	Ian Robertson	Scott Creek	Dave Devaney
Pitt River	Rob Mackenzie Steve Roos	Summit	Jody Pope Rick Dhaliwal

2. Acceptance of Winter 2015 minutes

- a. Accept: Terry
- b. Second: Alex

3. Track & Field Preparation – Rick Dhaliwal, Careen White, Charlotte @ summit, Renee @ summit, Judith @ minne, Ian @ kway

- a. Update track coaches to Rick
- b. May 18 wed. District meet
 - i. Need 2 parent volunteers to help time
- c. May 4 mini meet – Maple Creek / Como (with Andrea helping)
- d. April 27 mini meet – Pitt River / Eagle

4. Winter Sports Reports and Coordinators Recognized

- a. Gr. 6 Basketball – Ron Lee
- b. Gr. 7 Basketball – Jill Vincent
- c. Gr. 8 Basketball – Alex Abello
- d. Wrestling – Paige Perry and Committee

5. Spring Sports

- a. Badminton – Terry Argotow
 - i. Terry will send out whether league play or no
 - ii. Only doubles boys and double girls
- b. Rugby – Andrew Graham & Ian Robertson
 - i. Coaches meeting Tuesday, April 5 at Maple Creek
 - ii. Let Ian know who your coaches are
 - iii. Interest in rugby but no coach let A and I know and they will help set you up
 - iv. Similar format
 1. Gr. 8 boys

2. Gr. 6/7 boys
3. Girls 6-8
- v. Girls games Tuesday
- vi. Boys games Thursdays
- c. Track & Field – covered earlier in meeting

6. Golf Club – Renn Manners and Jordan Gould

I can't make it Thursday unfortunately. I'm running my golf club Monday's and Friday's at Westwood. I run roller hockey Tuesday's and Thursday's. You can tell him we could potentially have Matches Wednesday or mon/fri. I'll try to talk to Frank or Phil to pass on my ideas.

Jordan

- Email Renn and Jordan if you have interested students
- Equipment?

7. Mountain Biking – Andrea has an email and will pass out to CMSAA

8. Finances – Paige Perry > As per her treasurers report

- a. Timing clock matt for track and field
- b. Cross country ribbons need to be refilled for next year

9. AGM

Choosing a date and location for late May or early June

- Sam's Pub, Thursday June 2 – Anders will look into booking

AGM recommendations

- Email any to the CMSAA exec

10. Coaching Recognition every 5 years of service at any school level

- i. ADs should send Ian Robertson a list of full names, in last name alphabetical order of anyone who coached at their school this year. **Do not** send what sport they coached, **do not** put a coach's name in the list more than once, no matter how many teams/seasons, just put their name once. If someone recently changed their name (ie marriage) please make a note on the list. Due by **Thursday April 14.**

11. Builder Award

-Outstanding contribution at school, district, multiple sports, time, effort, philosophy – big picture contributions, long standing service to Middle School Athletics

-names get forwarded to Executive traditionally and is decided on by them in May planning meeting for AGM

- Email Anders or any CMSAA exec

Gr. 8 Basketball 2015-16 Coordinators report – Alex Abello

Divisions – All schools entered a Boys and Girls team (except Citadel Boys)

North

1. Eagle Mountain
2. Minnekhada
3. Summit
4. Moody
5. Kwayquitlam
6. Maple Creek
7. Scott Creek

South

1. Banting
2. Como
3. Maillard
4. Montgomery
5. Pitt River
6. Hillcrest
7. Citadel (No Citadel Boys team)

Relevant rules of note

- No minimum but schools were asked to communicate if fielding a team less than 10.
- Half court defense for first 3 quarters, both teams can full court press in 4th quarter

Playoffs – Schools were asked to enter teams into either the A-division (competitive) or the B-division (less-competitive). Most smaller and mixed grades teams entered into the B-division. Some larger schools entered both an A and a B team into the playoffs.

A – Division – Single elimination, taking place over 3 days. First day held at Middle School gyms. Semi and Finals held at PMSS.

10 Boys teams

Winner: Scott Creek

6 Girls teams

Winner: Eagle Mountain

B – Division – Mini round robin pools of 3 or 4 schools per gym, one night only at Middle School gyms.

8 Boys teams

10 Girls teams

Reffing

League games – Mostly by unpaid teacher volunteers, some student refs were used (suggested pay \$10)

Playoff games – First day gyms used their own teacher volunteers / student refs. Semis / Finals were reffed by Carded Official Bball refs (Pay \$25 per game), 2 refs per game.

Alex's thoughts for 2016-17 season

- Minimum of 10 for grade 8 teams.
- Coordinating both Boys and Girls was very time consuming. 2 coordinators are needed.
- ALL schools should be expected to host one night of the playoffs. Either A or B pool, Girls or Boys.
- Separate A and B division for league play? There were some lop-sided games of very strong teams going against very weak teams which wasn't enjoyable for the weaker team.
- Finding refs for league games and some first round games was an issue.
- CMSAA should send Darren Straumford (PMSS AD) thank you card and \$10 Starbucks.

Gr.7 Bball Report – Jill Vincent

First of all, I would like to thank all the coaches and ADs for being flexible and open to the newbie this season! It was at times a challenge to coordinate the schedule, but a big thanks to Ron Lee, Alex Abello, Tu-Loan Trieu and Anders Nordby for fielding so many of my questions and guiding me along!

The season seemed to go fairly well. Regular season was a 5 week schedule (less one week due to the extra Pro-D added in February), but I tried my best to balance out the schedule with home/away games.

Playoffs were a bit more challenging to coordinate, but this is mainly due to the refing situation. I know we discussed the plan of using high school refs for the regular season (and playoffs as well). However, at Banting, I know that we still had difficulty finding QUALIFIED and CONFIDENT refs for our regular season games. I do agree that we need to give high school students a chance to learn to ref; however, at the grade 8 level, it was very difficult for us to find refs. We had NO teachers who were qualified to ref and those who were, were coaching or weren't willing to lend a hand. Not sure if other schools were having this same issue...I didn't receive a ton of feedback from other coaches and ADs. (so, this is my personal input)

As for playoffs, a big thanks again to Dave Jones and the PE leadership team at Charles Best for all their assistance. They did a great job. I did my best to find grade 11/12 refs for the playoffs. This was a challenge as many of the local schools were involved in their Fraser Valleys and qualifiers for Provincials...so, I panicked but, it worked out in the end. Thanks Alex ☺

For the most part, I think the refs did a fairly good job. But, again...I think having adults ref the playoffs may be a better option?

We also opted for the B mini tourney this year (and thanks to Anders for organizing this). I received a great deal of feedback from coaches saying that they really enjoyed this format and felt like it gave their less experienced players more opportunity to play at a less competitive level. So, maybe this is something to continue to carry forward in the future.

So, some questions for next year:

- Are we able to run a more competitive/advanced league (A level) & a less competitive/beginner-type league (B level)? One with a playoff format and the other, maybe just a round robin format? Something to discuss at AGM maybe...
- Should we go back to paying adults to ref games? (Having a referee coordinator would be a good idea)
- Playing with no minimums seemed to work out fairly well. Most schools emailed one another in advance re: numbers prior to game times. Should we keep this the same next year?

grade 6 basketball: report out from Coordinator: Ron Lee

High schools were great host once again; recommendation from one of the coaches: next year play 4 on 4 as players get more touches on the ball and the court does not seem as small

grade 7/8 basketball: recommendation: we set player minimum at 10 players;

Wrestling Summary 2016 – Paige Perry

We had a fantastic season that began with an initial meeting of coaches in December at Monty. As a group of coaches, we decided to move ahead without a coordinator, pitching in wherever needed. Students were able to participate in a Takedown Tournament, a regular district meet, and the District Championships at SFU. This was mainly due to the support and organization of Cori Hampton and her connections with the Burnaby Mountain Wrestling Club. Thanks to Kevin Menic, Lawrence Mak, Chris Wilson, and Ian Robertson for hosting the mini-meets which alternated between the SFU dates.

Points to be noted:

- Keep the tournaments to 1 ½ minutes for each match.
- If SFU is hosting, recommended that St. John's Ambulance be there for each event.

-School hosting Districts or SFU hosting. Toss up. Pros and Cons to each. Referees and venue are available. Hard to get wrestlers and scorekeepers up there.

-We do not have to pay for mats and therefore have the costs down to a minimum.

-We agreed to pay \$5.00 to SFU's program, but remember that each student needs to have their own insurance coverage. By registering with BCWA, coverage is included.

How was money spent?

-Food for first meeting	\$ 40.41
-Host school (mat tape)	\$86.85
-Ribbons	\$284.76
-Food for Districts	\$213.38
-St. John's Ambulance	\$150.00
-\$1000.00 for SFU	\$1000.00
Collection of money from schools	\$975.00 (still waiting on Banting's money)
Approximately	\$750.00 spent for wrestling for 2016