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**COMPULSORY Meeting for All G.M.A.A. High Schools
Meeting: December Secondary Advisory Meeting**

To: SAC Reps
From: GMAA Office
Date: Wednesday, June 13th, 2018
Time: 1:30 p.m.
Place: EMSB, 6000 Fielding Ave, William Dawson Room (Light breakfast provided)

MINUTES

100 Additions to and Approval of Agenda

402- Students Transferring School- MMA
409- Start Times- FACE
410- New soccer rules- PCHS

Moved: Leon Tzortzis- LAURN Seconded: Mike Bunn- MMA Unan.

200 Approval of Minutes of December 2017

Moved: Holly Durkee- STG Seconded: Elad Ben- Eli- HZHS Unan.

300 Business arising

400 New Business

401 Board of Directors Report

Everything that was passed at the December SAC last was approved without amendments by the board of directors. They will be added to the various sport handbooks for next year.

It was mentioned that Hockey Quebec is no longer making mouth guards mandatory. Even though the GMAA will follow Hockey Quebec, it will be strongly recommended that coaches make their players wear them.

It was also brought up that the Board will allow students from Adult Ed. to return to the last school they attended to play on a sports team. This caused a lot of discussion, people felt that once a student is in Adult Ed., they are an adult and should not be allowed to play on a high school team. Not one member of SAC agreed to allow a student from Adult Ed to come back and play for their high school.

402 Competition Committee Proposals

Competition committee met for over 3 hours on June 6th 22nd to discuss various items from SAC, the sports committees or the office. The minutes were sent out to all of SAC on Monday. The following motions were passed and are being proposed to SAC for approval. Each will be voted on separately.

A motion was put on the floor to diminish basketball half time from 10 minutes to 5 minutes.

Moved: George Spiliotakis- RHS Seconded: Elad Ben- Eli- HZHS

Vote: For: 42

Opposed: 1

Abstentions: 0

Motion is passed.



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Basketball Playoff Venue A motion was put on the floor that the office requests that each school provide their basketball court dimensions on the team registration. If the school does not meet the minimum requirement, to give them ample time to prepare, they will be told at the beginning of the season that they will not be able to host any playoff games. The school will have the option to travel or find another site.

Moved: Yoni Lehrer-HA

Seconded: Marie- Claire O' Neil - ROYAL

Vote: For: 32

Opposed: 8

Abstentions: 3

Motion is passed.

Bantam one Division A motion was put on the floor that for a one-year trial basis ALL Bantam basketball teams will be divided geographically into sections as one division. Each team will have until December 7th to play everyone in their section once as exhibition games. Based on the results from those games the office will re-seed all teams and place them in the correct division. A second scheduling meeting will take place on December 11th for the new sections to schedule. If you have two teams entered, you will be able to request whether to be in the same pre-season section or not.

There was a lot of discussion about the small exhibition sections not being enough to decide what division a team should be in.

After much discussion the office expressed that the proposal was not possible due to the fact that there would not be enough slots for referees in the second half of their season making it impossible to schedule games.

An amendment was then made to the motion that stated;

For a one- year trial basis ALL bantam teams will be put into sections as one division. Prior to playoffs all teams will be re-seeded and placed into Division 1, 2 or 3 playoffs. The playoff structure will be announced at the scheduling meeting.

Moved: Marie- Claire O'Neil-ROYAL

Seconded: Elad Ben- Eli- HZHS

Vote: For: 27

Opposed: 7

Abstentions: 9

Motion is passed.

Eliminate Participation in D.2 Basketball for a one-year trial basis, we keep the AAA player and remove participation at the Midget and Juvenile level in Division 2 basketball.

Moved: Elad Ben- Eli- HZHS

Seconded: George Spiliotakis- RHS

Vote: For: 40

Opposed:0

Abstentions:3

Motion is passed.

Flag Football

A motion was put on the floor that the office enforces the referees to bring back the "floating goal line" and therefore the fields will not be shortened.



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Moved: Elad Ben- Eli- HZHS Seconded: George Spiliotakis- RHS Unan.

A motion was put on the floor to add a division two in girl's flag football

Moved: Megan Littman- SHSM Seconded: Mike Bunn- MMA Unan.

Swimming

A motion was put on the floor to add a fine for scratches within 48 hours prior to the swim meets, each school is allowed 5 scratches maximum per category (regardless of gender), with no carry overs. For every scratch that surpasses 5 in the appropriate category there will be a \$5.00 charge per student. (OFFICE REQUEST).

Moved: Holly Durkee-STG Seconded: George Spiliotakis- RHS Unan.

The addition of electronic Timing for the Championship this would raise the cost of swimming from 215.00\$ per school to around 235.00\$. (OFFICE REQUEST).

Moved: Marie- Helene Roy- Rioux- VILLA Seconded: Phil Moreau-LBPHS Unan.

Governing Rules

Playoffs - Tie Breaks for sports that may end in ties Instead of looking at the straight win % we should look at wins as well as ties. A win counts for 2 and a tie for 1. Points accumulated out of the total possible points available

Moved: Elad Ben- Eli- HZHS Seconded: Phil Moreau- LBPHS Unan.

Addition to tie break- In sections with an uneven number of games, calculate the average points against per game over the entire season vs points against over the entire season.

Moved: Mike Bunn- MMA Seconded: Liam Twomey- BIAL Unan.

For technical fouls only, the minimum suspension in a season of 4 games or less be half a game. If the ejection occurs in the 1st half, the player would serve their suspension in the 2nd half of the game. If the ejection occurs in the 2nd half the player will sit out the remainder of the game as well as the 1st half of their next game.

Moved: Marc Faubert- STT Seconded: Sarah Neef- ECS Unan.

A motion was put on the floor to accept a copy of a video in order to rule on a situation regarding player safety and violent conduct. The school would have 24hrs to submit video from a game if the felt there was a deliberate attempt to injure that had gone unnoticed by the referee. This would not change the outcome of a game or change a referee's call or missed call. It would only be used to determine if a suspension is merited and the length.

An amendment was made to the motion to change 24 hours to 48 hours to give more time to the schools to send in the video.



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Player ejections were down from 72 last year 26 this year. This was due to a drastic decrease in soccer ejections (21-4) as well as hockey ejections (29-6). For the most part, the ejections were either for violent conduct or for foul and abusive language to the referees. Both of which are avoidable.

We had a 5 year high of 7 coaches code incidents in the year. This is unacceptable, if the coaches are not setting a good example what can we expect from the students. Please have a conversation with your coaches about the expectations of the GMAA,

Participation numbers, in general, saw a slight increase. The only notable drops were seen in hockey from 55 to 29 team and tennis which has been trending down for a few years now. The hockey decline has a direct correlation to the fact that we can only offer non-contact hockey and the outside leagues have now started to offer both contact and non-contact hockey.

406 RSEQ Report

List of teams who attended Provincials and results

Volleyball Provincials VILLA Bantam Girls ROYAL Midget Girls ROYAL Juvenile Girls MACD Juvenile Boys	Badminton Provincials 24 students from 11 schools
Basketball Provincials LA Bantam Boys ECS Midget Girls LOY Midget Boys WHS Juvenile Girls LCC Juvenile Boys	Futsal Provincials VMC Bantam Girls (12 st place) VMC Midget Girls (7 th place) VMC midget Boys (8 th place) PCHS Juvenile Girls (1 st place!) VMC Juvenile Boys (10 nd place)
Indoor Track and Field Provincials 36 students	Outdoor Track and Field Provincials 25 students from 10 schools (5 medals-4 gold, 1 bronze)

Futsal Provincials

Congratulations to PCHS for winning the RSEQ Futsal Provincials at the Juvenile Girls level

RSEQ Grants and Financial information: Similar to last year we received 75% of our grant for the 2017-2018 school year in January. The remaining 25% will be transferred in October after the GMAA AGM . The total ended up being slightly more than we got in previous years. The RSEQ is working closely with MELS in order to maintain our funding on a year to year basis.

Provincial Costs for 18-19 will be increasing across the board by 5%, the RSEQ was not breaking even on the provincials and this increase will help in that respect.

Show of hands, does anyone have any e-sports teams in their schools (e-sports = video gaming clubs who play against each other). Just for information.

Is anyone interested in hosting a Provincial Championship at their school, or as a group a few schools? Futsal, Basketball, Swimming, T&F?



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RSEQ is also in the process of evaluating their Code of Ethics Committee, we will keep an eye on this to see if there are things we should adjust in ours.

Niveau de jeu

As mentioned for a few years now, the RSEQ is adjusting the labels of their leagues and as a result, the highest level of regional league is Division 3. Division 1 and 2 would both be provincial leagues. Our GMAA leagues would at the highest be considered D3, D4 & D5. We would no longer be permitted to call our leagues D1 or D2. In the next year, we will come up with a couple of ways to implement this in our region and ask for the input of SAC, the Competition Committee, and the Board of Directors in order to do this as seamlessly as possible.

Actif au Quotidien

There will be a project coming within the next two years called 'Actif au Quotidien' about how to develop within each school a collaboration between pre-school teachers, phys-ed & health teachers and daycare providers regarding how to integrate an active lifestyle starting with children at that level.

407 Sites for 2017-2018 championships

We would like to thank the following schools for hosting Championships this year;

STT - Soccer

Loyola- Volleyball & Rugby

KSS- Wrestling

LCC- Basketball

LaurenHill & Villa Maria – Badminton

STT- Girls Flag Football

If there is anyone who is interested in hosting next year please let us know at the office.

408 Office Issues

- Statements: Each school should have a copy of their spring bills. Most sports (Badminton, Outdoor track & field, Lacrosse, Rugby 7s) had a credit. Futsal teams had to pay slightly, this was due to the added cost affiliated with adding division 2.

Tennis also had to pay due to the number of teams decreasing and the cost of courts being so high.

- 2018-2019 Pre-Payments

You have a copy of the pre-season payments for next season in your packages. Most pre-payments will remain the same for next year, 4 were adjusted (Futsal, girls flag football, tennis and volleyball)

- 2018-2019 Age Categories

Everyone received a copy of the 2018-2019 age categories in their packages, these are the same as last year's ages.

Please make sure you are double checking your students ages prior to submitting all player registrations. We had multiple defaults this year because students were too old.

- MVP Banquet

- We adjusted the format slightly and instead of having candy we had a light dinner, sandwiches and desert were served.

Numbers were down from last year and it is the same schools who attend every year. Is there anything we can do so that more schools come? We've already cut the cost by more than half.

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- D2 & D3 Finalist Letters

Any school who made the finals in D2 or D3 with 2 or more teams has a letter in their packages encouraging them to reconsider their division when entering a team next year. It offers guidelines on choosing a division, and lists all teams that were finalists. We will keep the letter on file and will re-send it to schools in the fall in order to refresh their memories on how teams performed in the past and how this should urge them to consider an appropriate division for next season. Some schools had 9-10 teams in D2 and D3 finals...

S1 – The plan is to start using S1 next year across the board. Hughanna and I are going for a tutorial tomorrow and will have a lot more information on it after that.

409- Game Starting Times

A motion was put on the floor to add to our current rule’ “All matches/games should start between 3:30 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. unless both schools agree to an alternate time, however a later time can be dictated by the home team based on facility availability. “

Moved: Jacques Archambault-FACE

Seconded: Yoni Lehrer- HA

Vote:

For: 35

Opposed: 3

Abstention: 5

Motion is passed.

410- Soccer Rule Changes

Soccer rule changes were announced and will be announced again at the scheduling meeting

Motion to adjourn

Moved: Max Rupert- LCC

Seconded: Sarah Neef- ECS