

**August 11, 2003 CIS Board of Directors Conference Call Minutes
1:30 PM**

Attendance: Drew Love, President; Judy McCrae, Past-President; Diane St-Denis, Vice President Programs; Murray Hall, Vice President Research and Development; Dick White, Vice President Marketing (to 2:15 pm); Barb Mullaly, Chair, Finance Committee (from 2:00 pm); Clint Hamilton, AUS; Danielle Gardner, Equity and Equality Committee

CIS Staff: Marg McGregor, CEO; Tanja Mackin, Director Finance & Administration; Tom Huisman, Director, Operations and Development; Peter Metuzals, Marketing Director; Sheila-Ann Newton, Manager, Programs and Events

Regrets: Sandy Slavin, Canada West; Bob Dubeau, QSSF; Liz Hoffman, OUA, Jean-Guy Ouellette, International Programs

1. CROSS COUNTRY TRAVEL POOL FUNDING

S. Newton provided an overview of the process relative to the motion from the Cross Country Coaches Association to increase the number of athletes eligible to share in the travel pool (Annex 1).

T. Huisman noted that in light of the information and arguments stated by the AUS in response to the Coaches Association motion, the following revised motion is being proposed for the 2003 Championship that is to be hosted in Moncton:

That a 7th team be provided travel pool funding, and that the determination of which Conference receives this additional funding be determined by a 3-year rolling average of the final team standings at the CIS Championship. For 2003, this would be Canada West on the men's side and OUA on the women's side.

He also indicated that the Coaches Association will undertake a review of the above recommendation and the AUS proposal in conjunction with its 2003 annual meeting, with the intent of forwarding any other modifications to the 2004 CIS AGM.

The Board discussed the pros and cons of this proposal, the impact to other teams, and how it fits within the principles of the CIS Travel Pool Policy.

The Board agreed to defer consideration of the motion until the 2004-05 season. It was noted that the existing Travel Pool principles must be clarified, as they do not articulate the basis upon which the existing pool funds are distributed within each sport.

ACTION: T. Huisman to inform the Cross Country Coaches Association of the Board's decision.

ACTION: During the next review of the National Championship Principles, the distribution of travel pool fund funds within each sport should be considered.

2. POLICY ON CORPORATE IDENTIFICATION ON UNIFORMS AT CHAMPIONSHPS.

P. Metzals presented the following addition to the policy on Corporate identification on team uniforms at CIS championships, previously approved on the June 25th Board of Directors conference call:

10. Each member institution will ensure that any sponsor identification on Team uniforms/ clothing will adhere to CIS regulations stipulating positives values and role models. Any corporation that has a relationship or an affinity with alcohol (includes hard liquor and beer), the gaming industry, tobacco or the erotic industry will not be accepted as Team sponsors by the CIS. The CIS reserves the right to reject a sponsor application if the sponsoring corporation is deemed to be inappropriate for Canadian Interuniversity Sports National Championships.

It was agreed that the term "erotic industry" be broadened to "anything of a sexist nature", and that the individuals who make the decision on whether a sponsor is appropriate or not, be identified,

03-08-01 White/McCrae Carried

To add the following clause to the policy on corporate identification on team uniforms at CIS championships

20.40.3.3.10

Each Member will ensure that any sponsor identification on team uniforms/ clothing will adhere to Canadian Interuniversity Sport regulations stipulating positives values and role models. Any corporation that has a relationship or an affinity with alcohol (includes hard liquor and beer), the gaming industry, tobacco or anything of a sexist nature will not be accepted as team sponsors by Canadian Interuniversity Sport. Canadian Interuniversity Sport reserves the right to reject a sponsor application if the sponsoring corporation is deemed by a group comprising of the Canadian Interuniversity Sport Director of Marketing, Canadian Interuniversity Sport Vice President Marketing, two other Canadian Interuniversity Sport staff members and one other Canadian Interuniversity Sport Executive Committee member, to be

inappropriate for Canadian Interuniversity Sport National Championships.

3. ACADEMIC-ALL CANADIAN CRITERIA – CLARIFICATION OF POLICY WORDING

S. Newton indicated that following the Board of Directors approval of changes to policy # 60.40.1.2.1 on its August 2002 conference call, there was a request to continue research on the term “sessional” in policy #60.40.1.2.2. The existing Policy reads as follows:

60.40.1 ACADEMIC ALL-CANADIANS
60.40.1.2 Criteria

60.40.1.2.1 The athlete must have been enrolled as a student-athlete, as determined by their institution (minimum 18 credit hours as per Canadian Interuniversity Sport regulations).

60.40.1.2.2 The athlete must have received a sessional (average September to April) grade point average equivalent to 80% or higher.

RECOMMENDATION #1:

To change policy 60.40.1.2.2 to read as follows:

The athlete must have received a cumulative (September to April) grade point average equivalent to an A- (80% or better).

Rationale:

- a) the grade point value scale of current CIS institutions.
- b) most registrars’ offices do not compile “sessional” grades.
- c) using sessional grades provides an academic advantage to those student-athletes who compete in one-term sports. A 2 term sport, may choose to complete courses in the summer to bring their CUM gpa up.

The Board noted that using the term cumulative would cause confusion, as it would be perceived that the athlete’s cumulative –since starting at university – grade point average would be considered, when in fact the policy requires that only the last academic year’s grade point average be considered. It was agreed that the word cumulative be removed. It was also recommended that the words “which takes into consideration every course the athlete was registered in during that period”, as well as adding the word “or” between A- and 80%.

03-08-02 St. Denis/Hamilton

Carried

To change policy 60.40.2.2 to read as follows:

The athlete must have received a September to April grade point average which takes into consideration every course the athlete was registered in during that period, equivalent to an A- or 80% or better.

4. MARKETING/COMMUNICATION REPORT ON STATISTICS PACKAGE CONTRACT AND BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

P. Metzals reported that for the past two years CIS has used Gamesheets for score reporting and standings. Upon completion of the contract it was felt there was a need to evaluate other programs and systems in the marketplace. It was agreed a program was needed that would be simple to use, not take up too much bandwidth space, allow for growth, allow for player statistics, and allow for all regional associations to benefit and utilize internally.

The criteria used to evaluate the bids included company's history and experience with leagues and stats system, servicing of the agreement, developmental capabilities, potential growth within the agreement and the company, ease of the creation of a stats package, cost of the system and being able to meet our timelines.

Six proposals were received and Infinity Pro Sports out of Austin, Texas was the winning bid. A 3-year agreement is currently being finalized.

Infinity Pro Sports has experience with the Arena Football league, the AHL, the East Coast Hockey League and a variety of minor league baseball teams. They will provide on going support and service of this program to CIS member institutions, they have significant experience with Team databases, individual player stats and the systems seems to be relatively simple to use. The system will also allow for game recaps to be forwarded with the scores.

The cost is acceptable and within our budget. It will cost \$5,100.00(US), plus taxes, this year plus a monthly \$200.00 (US) hosting, maintenance and bandwidth fee. CIS member institutions may opt to place our stats system on their own web sites, which will coast \$20.00 (US) per institution, \$40.00 (US) for each Regional Association. As more member institutions purchase this program, CIS' \$200.00 monthly fee will be reduced. In the second year, CIS' cost will also be \$5,100 (US) plus \$200.00 per month and taxes. In the third year of this agreement, CIS will only pay the \$200.00(US) per month fee, unless more member institutions participate with displaying the standings and stats on their own web sites.

We are anticipating that training will occur for those individuals who require and request this service.

Our long-term objective is to attempt to ensure that our team sport standings, results and updates will be efficient, timely and effective. Our next step is to attempt to create a template for player stats for all Team sports, ensuring accurate, up to date, timely individual players stats, allowing the media and others quick access to all stats. We are piloting both Men's and Women's Basketball this season, using and transferring the stats crew package most members are using.

5. POLICY ON CIS NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP DATES AND TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR AD HOC COMMITTEE TO REVIEW CIS CHAMPIONSHIP SCHEDULE

D. St-Denis reported that the Program Committee approved at its June 2003 meeting the appointment of an Ad Hoc committee to review the National Championship Schedule.

Background:

1. The CIS Policy 20.30.3.1.1 states that "The Board of Directors of Canadian Interuniversity Sport determines the National Championship schedule based upon consultation and input from various committees of the Board and Coaches Associations, as per Canadian Interuniversity Sport Policies and Procedures."
2. The National Championships Task Force Report, Background, Principles and Recommendations identified the need for the Program Committee, in consultation with the Marketing Committee and CIS Office staff, to develop a schedule for National Championships that best addresses the concerns and requests from the various Coaches Associations.
3. A policy regarding the CIS National Championship Dates, was put forth by the Program Committee and requires approval.
4. Several Coaches Association (Swimming, Men & Women's Volleyball, and Rugby) have asked for consideration of a date change for their respective national championships.

03-08-03

St-Denis/McCrae

Carried

To approve the following terms of reference for an Ad Hoc Committee to review the CIS Championship schedule, and the following Policy on National Championship Dates

1) Terms of Reference for an Ad Hoc Committee to review the CIS Championship schedule.

1. Objective of the Ad Hoc Committee

To develop a schedule that will address the recommendations received from the various coaches associations while adhering to the Policy regarding the CIS National Championship Dates.

2. Responsibilities

The committee is tasked with:

- a) Securing from the coaches associations in question the rationale for the dates change requests. Consult with other coaches associations as to the need for possible consideration of a date change.
- b) Securing from the applicable NSO's their competition schedule and their feedback as to the impact of a date change.
- c) Securing the Marketing Committee's feedback on possible opportunities for changing the CIS broadcast schedule.
- d) Securing from currently appointed national championship hosts, their feedback as to their ability to change the dates of the championships (i.e.: facility availability).
- e) Drafting a proposed championship schedule based on the National Championship Dates Policy (to be approved)
- f) Submitting a report with recommendations to the Program Committee.
- g) Reviewing the "exceptional circumstance" clause of the 13th Saturday after Labour Day as it relates to the availability of the SkyDome and Vanier Cup.

3. Membership in the Ad Hoc Committee

- a. 4 council members (Janean Sergeant, Al Scott, Don Wilson, and Tony Addona)
- b. Marketing Committee representative (TBD)
- c. Staff resources as required
- d. The term of office will be from June 2003 to November 2003.

4. Time Frame

- a) CIS board approves the terms of reference for the ad hoc committee (August 11, 2003).
- b) Coaches Associations submit request for date including rationale (September 30, 2003).
- c) Staff sport liaisons to secure feedback from NSO as to impact of date change (October 30, 2003).
- d) Marketing Committee to provide ad hoc committee with possible opportunities in changing broadcast schedule. (September 30, 2003).
- e) Championship Manager to secure from current appointed host feedback as to ability to change dates of championships (i.e.: facility availability, etc.) (October 30, 2003).

- f) Ad hoc committee meets by conference call or at Round Table (November) to develop proposal. (November, December 2003)
- g) Ad hoc committee prepares proposal and circulates to Board for approval (January 2004)
- h) New schedule approved at the 2004 Annual General Meeting.

2) POLICY REGARDING CIS NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP DATES

OBJECTIVE:

- 1. Provide information as to which dates can be used for CIS Championships.
- 2. Provide rationale, as to which sports use, which dates.
- 3. Assist CIS Committees/Associations in making recommendations regarding Championship dates.
- 4. Develop policy to assist with decisions regarding additions or changes to Championship dates.

INFORMATION:

There are 19 CIS National Championships (10 female and 9 male) held annually at 6 fall and 9 winter sport locations. The Championship dates currently in use have developed over time and reflect a combination of the following: academic exam periods, traditional length of seasons, the realities of weather, long standing host locations, working relationships with NSO's and the number of members competing in a sport.

POLICY:

- 1. All CIS National Championship dates are ratified by the CIS Board of Directors.
Rationale: Decisions involve coaches associations, hosts, program and marketing committees.
- 2. Fall sport championships are to be concluded by the weekend of the 12th Saturday after Labour Day Monday. Winter sport championships are to be concluded by the weekend of the 12th Saturday after New Year's Day. In exceptional circumstances, the 13th Saturday in each term may be used.
- 3. Championship dates should minimize the loss of academic time.
- 4. A maximum of three championships should take place on any one weekend.
Rationale: To reduce potential television, membership and national office staff conflicts.
- 5. A maximum of two nationally televised championship sports should take place on any one weekend.

6. **The number of teams participating in the sport should impact the timing of the championship.**
7. **Championships of sports with both genders should occur on the same weekend or within one weekend of each other.**
Rationale: To assist institutions whose teams travel together, to assist Regional Associations in playing their league and playoff schedules and to minimize the down time of any particular sport waiting for a championship to occur.
8. **Depending on the sport, championships should require between one and four competition days.**

6. PLAYING ROSTER NUMBERS FOR INDIVIDUAL SPORTS
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D. St-Denis recommended that the issue of CIS rosters limits for swimming, track and wrestling in relation to the following 2003 deferred awards motion, be added to the role of the Awards Ad Hoc Committee.

“Be it resolved that the total number of individuals receiving athletic financial awards, on any one team, may not exceed the CIS roster limit for that sport (eg. only 12 individuals on a basketball team may receive any type of countable aid).

03-08-04 Hamilton/Hall

Carried

That the Awards Ad-Hoc Committee be tasked with determining the playing roster sizes for swimming track and wrestling. To report to the June 2004 General Assembly.

ANNEX 1

Desired Outcome: for the board to render a decision on the funding format for the Cross Country Championships.

Overview of the process of how the motion ended up before the Board today:

1. The following motion was circulated on the Cross Country Coaches Association vote sheet:
Motion 2 (B. Vigars, B. Fougner): Carried 16-2
Seven teams be funded to the CIS championships with the additional team coming from Ontario when the championships is held outside the corridor and from CanWest when the meet is held inside the corridor.
AD: For – 10, Against - 10 Abstain – 1, Head Coach For – 16, Against - 4
Abstain - 1
2. Program Committee received it and forwarded it to the Finance Committee at the end of the June 2003 AGM as a motion dealing with funding. At the June 2003 Program Committee meeting Al Scott expressed concern with the motion. Al was instructed to forward any concerns in writing to the Finance Committee Chair.
- 3 Through discussions with staff and the Finance Chair it was agreed that as this motion stems from the original National Championship Task Force principles (i.e. formats and berths for National Championships) that this was a Board of Directors issue.
- 4 Prior to the June 25th Board of Directors conference call, Al Scott circulated some documentation that had been supported by the AUS membership. It was decided that since this information had not yet been forwarded to all of the Cross Country coaches that any discussion by the Board should be delayed until the next scheduled conference call to allow for more time for the Coaches Association to react to Al's proposal.
- 5 As Sport Coordinator for Cross Country, Tom Huisman worked with the President of the Coaches Association to bring forward the following proposal to try and address the intent of the original motion as well as the concerns expressed by Al Scott.

CIS Cross-Country Travel Pool Proposal, prepared by Tom Huisman and Dan Hennigar

The following factors were considered by the CIS Cross-Country Coaches Association at its 2002 AGM in determining that one additional team (both men and women) should be included within the travel pool funding model:

- a historical review of the final individual athlete and team placings at the CIS Cross-Country Championship
- a review of the current travel pool funding model over the past two years since it was reinstated for the sport of cross-country
- the desire to further promote team participation
- to increase the competitiveness of the Championship by ensuring the best teams are in attendance at the Championship

In light of the information and arguments stated by the AUS in response to the Coaches Association motion, the following revised motion is being proposed for the 2003 Championship that is to be hosted in Moncton:

That a 7th team be provided travel pool funding, and that the determination of which Conference receives this additional funding be determined by a 3-year rolling average of the final team standings at the CIS Championship. For 2003, this would be Canada West on the men's side and OUA on the women's side.

Also, the Coaches Association will undertake a review of the above recommendation and the AUS proposal in conjunction with its 2003 annual meeting, with the intent of forwarding any other modifications to the 2004 CIS AGM.

Rationale: The above motion assists in the planning and budgeting for schools / teams by identifying in advance of the Championship, the number of teams from each Conference that will receive travel pool funding. Beyond Canada West, the majority of participating schools have indicated that they would not send a team to a National Championship hosted outside of its Regional boundaries if it did not qualify for travel pool funding.

Although the AUS proposal recommends that only the respective Conference Champions receive automatic travel pool funding, and the remaining funding be allocated on the basis of performance at the Championship, the above motion addresses the original intent of the Coaches Association to fund one additional team to the Championship. The Coaches Association will consider the AUS recommendation at its November 2003 AGM.

With respect to the three-year rolling average that has been chosen within the motion, this was selected for the following reasons:

- it recognizes and rewards consistency of depth within a Conference
- it recognizes the performance of the current pool of athletes, many of whom are still competing since the rolling average is less than the five years of eligibility available to student-athletes
- it reduces the effect of single year anomalies which may occur
- it avoids an over-emphasis on historical results (beyond three years) as most of the athletes who would have participated in the Championship beyond three years would no longer be competing

The 3-year rolling average of the final standings was calculated using two different methods, both of which produced the same final result as noted below:

Men's Cross Country		Women's Cross-Country	
	3-year average number of		3-year average number of
Conference Top 7's		Conference Top 7's	
CW	3.3	OUA	3.7
OUA	2.7	CW	2.3
QSSF	0.7	QSSF	0.7
AUS	0.3	AUS	0.3

Men's Cross Country		Women's Cross-Country	
3-year average Conference placing		3-year average Conference placing	
CW 1	3.0	CW 1	1.3
CW 2	4.7	CW 2	4.0
CW 3	6.0	CW 3	8.7
OUA 1	1.0	OUA 1	1.7
OUA 2	2.7	OUA 2	3.7
OUA 3	7.3	OUA 3	5.7
QSSF 1	5.7	QSSF 1	5.3
QSSF 2	n/a	QSSF 2	n/a
AUS 1	9.3	AUS 1	9.3
AUS 2	n/a	AUS 2	n/a

As for the financial impact:

- the average travel cost of the 108 funded athletes to attend the 2002 Championship hosted in London Ontario was approximately \$360 / athlete
- the 2002 travel pool covered 100% of the funded teams / athletes travel costs
- spreading the average cost for 14 additional spots over 122 funded athletes would result in an average increase in cost of approximately \$40 per funded athlete, which would still place the cross-country travel pool funding model as one of the most effective (in terms of percentage of travel costs covered) of all CIS sports.

The above motion and rationale is being forwarded to all CIS Cross-Country schools for their consideration (straw vote sheet indicating "support" / "no support" from both the coach and athletic director), with the intent to provide a response from all institutions in time for the August 11, 2003 CIS Board of Director's meeting where this issue will be discussed.

To: Members of the CIS Finance Committee

From: Al Scott, Dalhousie University. Representing the AUS Cross Country Schools

Date: July 10, 2003

Re: CIS Cross Country Coaches Association Motion Regarding Travel Pool

On behalf of Dalhousie University and indeed the 7 Atlantic University Sport members who compete in the sport of Cross Country please consider this letter with reference to the following motion which advanced from the 2002 CIS Cross Country Coaches Association and subsequently to the vote sheet process:

"Seven teams be funded to the CIS Championships with the additional team coming from Ontario when the championships is held outside the corridor and from Canada West when the meet is held inside the corridor."

Rationale Provided For Motion:

1. Prior to funding cuts to CIS Cross Country Championships after the 1994 season, traditionally 7 teams were funded per men and women plus the gold and silver medal winners from each of the respective conferences (Atlantic, Quebec, Ontario, Canada West). The 7 teams per gender were as follows: top 2 from Canada West, top 2 from Ontario, winner of Quebec championship, winner of Atlantic championship, and one Wild Card team from anywhere.
2. Over the last 7 CIS Championships, there has always been a minimum of 3 teams from either Canada West or Ontario finish in the Top 7 - again a testament to the depth of those conferences.
3. The motion addresses the fact that for almost any venue for the CIS Championships, Canada West teams must use air transportation whereas when the Championships are in the Montreal to Windsor corridor, most if not all Ontario teams can use much cheaper ground transportation.
4. Since historically the relative strengths of the two above conferences is fairly equal, it is reasonable to fund a 3rd team from Canada West when the CIS Championships are in the corridor and that a 3rd Ontario team would be funded when the venue is outside the corridor requiring air transportation.

Vote Sheet Results (21/30 Schools Voting)

AD Vote:	10 In Favour, 10 Against, 1-Abstain
Coach Vote:	16 In Favour, 4 Against, 1-Abstain

Hold Your Breath

Before reading further, it is important to establish the fact that what follows may appear to be targeted towards one or two regional associations. This definitely not the case. Some of the commentary is quite simply an expression of philosophical difference with the current and proposed travel pool funding formula. Please consider this as you read further.

AUS Position On This Motion

Upon careful review of this motion, all AUS Cross Country Coaches and all AUS AD's do not support this motion. Many of us were already uncomfortable with the current travel pool funding formula that emanated from the National Championship Task Force just a couple of years ago.

Our concerns:

1. The current travel pool formula for Cross Country is questionable from Atlantic University Sport's perspective with respect to:
 - a. the provision of guaranteed funding to a regional association that does not have a conference championship meet, in this case Canada West. The travel pool funding formulas do not provide this option in any other CIS sport. While the CIS Championship meet is unique in that it is an open meet for all CIS schools, there is definitely one line of

thinking that consistent with other sports, guaranteed travel pool funding should go only to teams that have qualified through winning their conference's championship meet.

b. the provision of additional or supplementary team funding to **named** regional associations, Canada West and Ontario, based on "**strong historical performance**" at the CIS Championships. And again in the case of Canada West to a regional association without a conference championship meet.

2. The motion suggests provision of additional team funding (above the basis one funded team per regional association) based on strong historical performance by Canada West and Ontario. Our position is that these two regional association are already rewarded for their "strong historical performance" in the current travel pool formula with assigned supplementary berths for the travel pool funding. Current travel pool funding provides funding for one QSSF team, one AUS team, two teams from Ontario and two teams from Canada West.

3. One of the points in the supplied rationale speaks only to the fact that Canada West must use air travel. Is or has this ever been a travel pool funding consideration? No mention is made of the air travel requirements by QSSF or AUS.

Alternative Cross Country Travel Pool Solution

It is one thing to be critical, yet another to present a reasonable alternative. Atlantic University Sport firmly believes that an opportunity exists, because of the unique nature of the "open" CIS Cross Country Championships, to adopt a travel pool formula that is fair and equitable to all four regional associations while also providing immediate rewards for the changing strengths of these regional associations. While the travel pool funding formula for some of our other CIS sports has moved away from a direct performance orientation, we have a model for Cross Country that we feel will stand the test of time and will annually reward the top performing teams while also honouring the tradition of guaranteed regional representation for conference champions.

The AUS Proposal For Travel Pool Funding For Cross Country

***Guaranteed funding for the conference championships teams from OUA, QSSF and AUS.**

***Guaranteed funding for the highest placing team in the CIS Championships from Canada West. Status quo, but this is a compromise in philosophy for AUS.**

***Team funding for the next two highest placing teams from any regional association at the current CIS Championship Meet, after the above allocations have been determined. This would be for the current 6 team travel funding model. Add a third next highest placing team for the 7 team model if adopted.**

What Does The AUS Proposal Achieve?

*It eliminates the perception that there are really only exists two regional associations from a performance perspective.

*It allows for, and immediately rewards changes in performance by the 4 regional associations. For example, this formula affords the opportunity to provide all of the supplementary team funding to a single conference if performance merits. Imagine how QSSF or AUS would feel if they had two teams place in the top five in the Championships, yet travel pool funding went to a lower placing non conference champion.

This would be the best performance based travel pool funding formula for our CIS sports. And Cross Country is to be complimented for never mentioning awarding non performance travel pool funding based on number of teams. Philosophically, the national championships are about performance.

Comparison: Current and AUS Proposal Applied to 2002 Travel Pool Funding

Men - 6 Team Travel Pool Funding Model

Finish	Team	Current TP Funding	AUS TP Funding Proposal
1	Guelph	As OUA Champion	As OUA Champion
2	Windsor	As Assigned Berth-OUA#2	As 1 st Next Highest Placing Team
3	Alberta	As Highest Placing-CW	As Highest Placing CW
4	Manitoba	As Assigned Berth-CW#2	As 2 nd Next Highest Placing Team
7	Dalhousie	As AUS Champion	As AUS Champion
11	McGill	As QSSF Champion	As QSSF Champion

Men - 7 Team Travel Pool Funding Model, Same as above but add

5	Saskatchewan	N/A	As 3 rd Next Highest Placing Team
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Net Effect: Same teams funded via the travel pool, but supplementary team funding, after regional assignments, is 100% based on “current performance”. An important distinction, at least in terms of the perception regarding lack of regional bias.

Women - 6 Team Travel Pool Funding Model

1	Toronto	As OUA Champion	As OUA Champion
2	Manitoba	As Highest Placing-CW	As Highest Placing-CW
3	Victoria	As Assigned Berth-CW#2	As 1 st Next Highest Placing Team
4	Waterloo	As Assigned Berth-OUA#2	As 2 nd Next Highest Placing Team
8	McGill	As QSSF Champion	As QSSF Champion
11	STFX	As AUS Champion	As AUS Champion

Women - 7 Team Travel Pool Funding Model, Same as above but add

5	Queen’s	N/A	As 3 rd Next Highest Placing Team
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Net Effect. Same and same comment as men’s.

Can Travel Pool Funding Exceed 50% For One Regional Association?

There exists a regulation for CIS Championship tournament sports that one regional association cannot have more than 50% of the spaces available in the tournament. For example, a regional association cannot have more than 3 teams in the 6 team hockey championship format. Would this concept be extended to travel pool funding? Our proposal and hope is that it would not. Teams would “earn” travel pool funding with the potential to merit up to 4 of the 7 allocations, again based on performance.

Quick Review Of The Merits Of The AUS Proposal

- The proposal is in reality an extension of the current method used by Canada West to determine their travel pool funded teams using the existing formula
- 2. Fairness and equality to all regional associations
- 3. No need to adjust formula, on a year to year basis, as performance strengths of regional associations occur in the short and long term
- 4. Absence of semantic negative stigma attached to QSSF and AUS. Weak sister syndrome.
- 5. A great performance based model for the funding of the CIS Travel Pool. A performance based model that achieves what it states it is trying to achieve.

Appendix "A"

Current CIS Travel Pool Funding Formula

*the conference championship teams from AUS & QSSF (7 athletes for men and 7 for women)

*the top two teams from Ontario (assume that this is their top two championship teams, total 14 athletes for men and 14 for women) plus the top two teams from Canada West in the National Championship meet (14 men, 14 women)

*the top 3 individuals from each of the 4 RA not on an automatically qualify team as above.

*total funding is for 54 student athletes.

Number Of CIS Teams In Each Regional Association

The number of CIS registered teams this past season were: Canada West: M-6, W-6, Ontario: M-13, W-14, QSSF: M-3, W-3, AUS: M-6, W-7.

League Structure AUS. Four compulsory league meets plus the AUS Championship meet.

QSSF. Exhibition meets during the season plus the QSSF Championship meet.

Ontario. Exhibition meets during the season plus the OUA Championship meet.

Canada West. Exhibition meets during the season. No Canada West Championship meet.