

CANADIAN INTERUNIVERSITY SPORT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
**E-MAIL VOTE**  
FEBRUARY 2004

Motion #1 L. Hoffman /B. Mullaly

Carried

Upon the request of the OUA, for CIS to approve the venue and date change of the 2004 Vanier Cup, from SkyDome, Toronto on December 4th, to the City of Hamilton, Ivor Wynne Stadium on November 27th, 2004.

Motion #2 L. Hoffman/B. Mullaly

Carried

That CIS and OUA revisit the Vanier Cup 2005 guarantee and/or other benefits offered to participating teams, and that subject to these discussions, and subject to the success of the Hamilton event as determined by the OUA, that the 2005 event be held in Hamilton on November 26th 2005.

Rationale

- the SkyDome was not available on November 27 2004, which pushed the Championship outside the CIS limit of the 12th weekend after Labour Day. The November 27th date at Hamilton is within the recommended time frame.
- the facility rental/servicing/operating costs associated with the Hamilton facility are roughly one-third of what the SkyDome costs are
- the room rates in Hamilton are \$115/night which is \$4 per night less than the Toronto rates
- the Hamilton facility had new astroplay turf installed in June of 2003
- free meeting space will be provided to CUFCA. This is a value added that was not provided in previous years.
- the Grey Cup was hosted in Ivor Wynne in 1996 with a 6:00 PM start time
- the Hamilton Tiger Cats are very supportive of the bid, and have indicated they will work to promote/encourage ticket sales
- True Gravity will manage the event for OUA in 2004. The 2005 status has not been confirmed.
- The City of Hamilton is committed to branding the event, and has promised such things as street signage
- Ivor Wynne was the site of the 2003 Mitchell Bowl and it drew 10,000 fans
- Ivor Wynne was the site of the 2003 Yates Cup and it drew 12,000 fans
- Ivor Wynne is a CFL stadium so it meets all the CIS technical requirements, and is media friendly
- the merchandizing opportunities in Ivor Wynne are more affordable/favourable than at SkyDome
- the Vanier Cup guarantee in 2003 at SkyDome was \$75,000
- the Vanier Cup guarantee in 2004 is \$82,500
- the Vanier Cup guarantee in 2005 is \$50,000
- the Vanier Cup guarantee in 2006 at Saskatoon is \$60,000