

Attendance: Dick White, President; Pat Murray, Vice President Marketing; Murray Hall, Vice President Research and Development; Diane St-Denis, Vice President Programs; Barb Mullaly, Chair, Finance Committee; Don Wilson, Canada West; Liz Hoffman, OUA; Katie Sheahan, QSSF; Dr. David Murphy, Atlantic University Sport; Judy McCrae, Director and Chair, Equity and Equality Committee; Jean-Guy Ouellette, Chair, CIS International Committee.

CIS Staff: Marg McGregor, CEO; Peter Metuzals, Marketing Director; Tanja Mackin, Director, Finance & Administration; Sheila-Ann Newton, Manager, Events & Programs; Tom Huisman, Director, Operations and Development; Colin Timm, International Programs Services; Michel Belanger, Media and Public Relations Officer; Kevin McCann, Web and Communication Services.

Guest: Aubrey Ferris, CIS Parliamentarian

1. Welcome, Approval of Agenda

D. White introduced and welcomed Dr. David Murphy as the new representative from Atlantic University Sport, and welcomed back Aubrey Ferris, CIS Parliamentarian.

06-05-01 Wilson/Hall Carried

To approve the meeting agenda.

2. Approve Minutes

06-05-02 Hoffman/St-Denis Carried

To approve the minutes of the May 16, 2005 Board of Directors Meeting.

2. Receive Committee Reports

a) International

C. Timm presented the highlights of the International Committee Meeting, and the following recommendations for Board ratification:

06-05-03 Ouellette/Mullaly Carried

To propose to the FISU General Assembly that within Team Sports, the deadline for confirmation of participation of nations by FISU be no later than twelve months prior to the event (see International Committee meeting minutes for full proposal).

Recommendation #1: modification of 20.20.1.4:

Additional berths will be assigned based on the principle that the most competitive teams should advance to National Championships. The Canadian Interuniversity Sport Board of Directors upon the recommendation of the Sport Committee will determine the most appropriate process for assigning the additional berths to a National Championship; this may include at-large berth(s) assigned to Regional Associations or at-large berth(s) selection based on an objective selection process.

Recommendation #2: Field Hockey Championship format for 2005

To be presented to the General Assembly for approval:

The Board of Directors approved at the Nov. 30/Dec. 1, 2004 meeting a 4 team format for the 2005 Field Hockey Championships to include a host (UBC), OUA Champion and Canada West Champion. The Coaches Association was asked to identify the process to identify the 4th berth.

The Coaches Association did submit a proposal to Sport Committee which had the AUS declaring a champion and qualifying for the national championship through the OUA championship.

- Whereas the AUS has confirmed that field hockey will not be an AUS sport.
- Whereas Saint Mary's has indicated that it wishes to declare field hockey as a varsity sport through the CIS (declare and pay membership fees in 2005-06) which would place them in a similar situation as McGill University Field Hockey Program,

The Sport Committee recommends:

That Saint Mary's enter in a playing privilege agreement with one of the two remaining field hockey conferences (Canada West or Ontario) in order to secure a means to qualify for the 2005-06 CIS Championship.

That the make-up of the 2005-06 CIS Championship be as follows

- a Host (UBC)
- 2 regional association berths (Canada West & OUA)
- Additional at large berth assigned to OUA regional association

Recommendation #3 Wrestling Weight Division

To be presented to the General Assembly for approval:

The Sport Committee approved a request for a change in weight divisions for women's wrestling. These changes follow suit with the international weight divisions, and add one heavier weight class. The new divisions are: 48, 51, 55, 59, 63, 67, 72 and 72 – 82 kg.

Recommendation #4: 2006 Men's Basketball Championship Format

To be circulated to the membership following the AGM for email vote within 30 days

The Sport Committee reviewed data/feedback from the host, the participating coaches, the participating athletes and fans of the 2004 & 2005 Men's Basketball Championship. The Committee is recommending that the championship return to an 8 team format for 2005-06 which is to include a host, 4 regional association representatives and 3 at-large berths to be determined by the sport committee in consultation with the men's basketball coaches association based on policy 20.20.1.

It was requested that the Board give some thought to the process of serving committee motions to the General Assembly, ie. determine which motions need to be circulated to the Members in advance of the AGM. It was agreed that the Sport Committee meeting should be held well in advance of the AGM.

c) Marketing

P. Murray reviewed the following areas which were discussed at the Marketing and COMSID meetings:

- holding a biannual workshop for Sports Information Directors, likely in May;
- developing a sport information template to be included in the championship bulletin for each sport;
- creating an FTP website to facilitate the uploading and downloading of large files and photos by Members and media;
- developing a policy which would require all members to display the CIS logo at all games, at all venues, beginning in January 06, with an audit being conducted in April 07, and an award being provided to the most compliant/creative Member (financial implications will be worked out for next Board meeting);
- CIS staff to develop a set of sport specific guidelines for the displaying of the CIS logo at all CIS Championships, to be included in the next CIS Bid Book.

The Committee recommended imposing a fine for any Member or Regional Association that does not respect a media embargo.

06-05-06 Murray/Sheahan Carried

That any Member or Regional Association that does not respect a CIS media embargo be fined \$500.00, effective immediately.

Changes to the Sgambati Award criteria were recommended:

06-5-07 Murray/Mullaly Carried

That the Sgambati Award be awarded to individuals only (not a station or team), and that nominations are required from two Member institutions.

d) Equity and Equality

J. McCrae reported that results of the Equity survey are posted on line. Information from seven Members is missing at the moment, however it will be obtained and added to the results. Appreciation was expressed to Katie Spriggs at the University of Alberta for her great work on the project, and to the Canadian Association for the Advancement of Women and Sport for funding a honorarium for K. Spriggs.

J. McCrae indicated that several themes have come forward from the results of the survey which should be shared and explored at the next meeting of the Membership.

The Committee's goal now is to refresh the CIS policies on Equity, and continue to be a helpful and provide service as needed.

4. University College of the Fraser Valley – site visit report

M. McGregor reported that a site visit to the University College of the Fraser Valley was conducted in May. An application for membership was submitted, and application and university details are available on line. A motion for the acceptance of the UCFV as a probationary member of CIS commencing Sept. 1, 2006, will be presented to the General Assembly.

5. Letter from Jack Drover – re: Vanier Cup Dates

M. McGregor referred to a letter received from J. Drover (Annex 1) concerning the dates of the Vanier Cup. The Board confirmed that CIS is maintaining the policy that all fall sport champions must be declared prior to December 1. It also noted that it is not in control of the date of the Grey Cup, and that if necessary, the Board will deal with exceptional circumstances between meetings of the General Assembly.

6. Appointments to the Board

06-05-08

Murray/Mullaly

Carried

That Judy McCrae be appointed to the Board of Directors as a voting member, as per By-law 3.2.5 (Vacancies) for a period of one year (2005/06).

8. Adjournment

The Board thanked Barb Mullaly for her exceptional service to the Board of Directors, and expressed their appreciation for her excellent work as Chair of the Finance Committee over the past ten years.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm.

The next conference call will take place on June 27th at 1:30 pm EST.

Board of Directors Meeting
June 7, 2005
Aylmer, Québec

Mr. Dick White
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Dear Dick,

I send you this letter to address a concern of mine as we prepare for our upcoming annual General Meeting. I refer specific to the decision to move the 2005 Vanier Cup into a period beyond that agreed by the membership at the 2004 AGM of our Association. I can only assume that you recall the debate and action which followed when the Board made the decision to play the game in December in 2005.

There is no doubt in my mind that if the Grey Cup game was scheduled to be played on December 03, 2005, then the Vanier Cup game would be played on November 26, 2005 as per the original schedule. With all respect, I really do believe that we would all openly admit that.

Our CIS manual states that all fall sport champions must be declared by so many Saturdays after Labor Day - which applied means that all fall sport champions **must** be declared prior to December 01 in any given year. A one time exception was made for 2005. This exception was supported by football playing members, yet the full membership voted on the motion at the 2004 AGM.

I anticipate that we will face the same problem in the future. If I am correct, then I think it is appropriate that we ask the membership these questions:

- i do we declare all fall sport champions prior to December 01 in any given year ?
- or
- ii do we always play the Vanier Cup and the Grey Cup on separate weekends. ?

I had considered submitting a motion - but the CIS policy is in place. What I want to avoid is having to go through the same process in the future as we did in the spring of 2004. Our CIS mission statement clearly states that **we provide an environment which provides for the achievement of the academic and athletic potential of the participant**. Scheduling a championship which requires students to be away from classes at a very critical time of the year, and return from the game to the exam table is in conflict with our Mission statement.

I request that this be added to the agenda of the Board, or the agenda of the assembly so that we leave the meeting knowing the position of the membership in case of conflict.

Yours Truly,

Jack Drover

c/c David Murphy; Marg McGregor