



**SPORT COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**June 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>, 2008**  
**Ottawa, ON**  
**Meeting Minutes**

In attendance: Coleen Dufrense, Manitoba (Chair); Ken Schildroth, York (OUA); Jennifer Myers, St. Thomas (AUS); Lisen Moore, McGill (QSSF); James Keogh, Victoria (CWUAA); Pat Murray, York (VP Marketing), Sheila-Ann Newton (CIS Staff)

Regrets: Jean-Guy Ouellette, Sherbrooke (Finance Cmt. Rep); Adam Steiner, Student-Athlete Voice

**1. Approval of agenda**

**MOTION 1 - L. Moore/K. Schildroth** **Carried**  
**To approve the agenda as amended.**

**2. Approval of minutes, April 2008**

**MOTION 2 - L. Moore/J. Keogh** **Carried**  
**To approve the minutes of the April 21-22, 2008 minutes as circulated.**

**3. Follow-up to Coaches Association Motions from April meeting**

**Football (89% response rate with 24 of 27)**

MOTION 3 (*Motion 4 on vote sheet*) P. Murray/J. Meyers Defeated  
Be it resolved that CUFCA fund two Head Coaches from each CIS Football Conference to attend the All-Canadian and Major Awards Selection Committee and that these eight members only have voting privileges.

Athletic Director	For - 17	Against - 4	Abstain - 3
Head Coach	For - 18	Against - 2	Abstain - 4

**Rationale:** Please be advised that it is the expressed view of CUFCA that the current committee composition for selecting All-Canadians was imposed on the association four or five years ago for what appears to be financial reasons. Furthermore, an overwhelming majority of the current membership feel that the selection process has now been tainted and that CIS Football and its athletes have been done a disservice. The "old system" of sending two coaches from each conference solved a number of problems related to the selection process. The committee composed of two per conference eliminated or drastically reduced any real or perceived regional or intra-conference biases in selecting the team and gave the 'ranking by points system' some real power in determining one candidate from another. In addition, the likelihood of having some of the selection committee members with previous experience selecting the All-Canadian team was much greater. Three years ago we sent four representatives to Toronto (one from each conference), none of whom had ever participated in an All-Canadian selection process. The chairman of the committee had never been a part of the process either. One of the members of that committee admitted that the entire selection process was a disaster from the beginning to end and that some of the nominated athletes had been short changed by the process. Needless to say, some of the selections made were highly suspect. The cries for change were made loud and clear. The vast majority of the current CUFCA membership feel that two per conference is the best way to select our National All-star team. Arguments for changing the process several years ago were not consistent with the ideals claimed by our sport governing body to be part of a student centered athletics program. The CUFCA membership feels strongly that the selection committee members should be eight

active Head Coaches, with equal representation from each conference, who are familiar with athletes and the mandate for CIS Sport.

**Discussion highlights:**

- Feedback seems to indicate there are coaches voting with bias.
- It may be time to do a review on how this process is done. Could this meeting not be done as a web based meeting (which could save on expenses).
- There's no change in total costs as the number of people is the same, just coming from a different group (still 8 people – 8 from RA's, instead of 4 so bias will still be there).
- Concern with 2 coaches from AUS (with there only be 3 teams playing).
- Not convinced this is the right system.
- Does not include how the 4 other coaches will be selected. It is currently a challenge getting 4 coaches to participate in the meeting.
- The rationale provided does not justify the change.
- If the current process isn't working, why and is it because of the 3 external reps?

**Feedback back to CUFCA:**

Sport Committee strongly recommends that they review their process and look to move to a technologically based program as well as using a consistent CUFCA chair.

**Women's Rugby (78% response rate with 18 or 23)**

**MOTION 4** (*Motion 4 on vote sheet*) **K. Schildroth/J. Keogh** **Carried**  
**To move the 5<sup>th</sup> place game to the final day of the tournament. Game times for the Sunday would become 10am, noon & 2pm. Game times for the Championship Round would also be moved to 11am and 1pm.**

Athletic Director	For - 13	Against - 1	Abstain - 4
Head Coach	For - 13	Against - 1	Abstain - 4

**Response from President of the Coaches Association:**

- Rest for the athletes is part of this. Mentally it's a tough game to play. Coaches Association feels moving the game to the last day would give it a little more prestige. Having it played after the semi-finals feels more like a left over that no one is interested in. Having an additional days rests would help the athletes perform better and mentally prepare for the game.
- Moving to Sunday would also help with two teams not being done on the Saturday night which can lead to other problems. Teams could leave on Saturday in the current model which does not allow for the athletes to stay for the final game in addition to the coaches being able to attend the annual coaches meeting held on Saturday night.

**Discussion highlights:**

- Tough on the host to have 3 games on the same field (hoping to preserve the the field for final)
- It is difficult on the staff to run 3 games on the final day. (Still happens with current model.)
- Could recommend the host move to a 2<sup>nd</sup> field (which is currently a requirement)
- Don't believe that playing the game at 10:00 am is going to really improve the number of fans in attendance.
- Agree that additional rest time is important.
- Having these two teams playing on the final day is always better (decorum).
- Still need to be concerned with the field holding up.
- The 5<sup>th</sup> place teams not playing on Saturday still allows the teams to go out on Friday night (as they wouldn't have any games on Saturday).

**ACTION:** *Coaches Association should be prepared to conduct a review of this format in the upcoming years.*

**MOTION 5** (*Motion 6 on vote sheet*) **J. Keogh/P. Murray** **Carried (as amended)**  
**That the requirements for an institution to make a bid to host the championships be amended to reflect that only IRB sanctioned surfaces (now includes turf).**

Athletic Director	For - 12	Against - 1	Abstain - 5
Head Coach	For - 12	Against - 1	Abstain - 5

**ACTION:** *S. Newton to clarify with the Coaches Association any concerns re playing on different surfaces within the same championship.*

**ADDITIONAL ITEMS:**

**i) 3-Day vs. 4-Day Championship**

M. Parrish, President of the Coaches Association requested an opportunity to discuss in more details the 3-day vs. 4-day championship.

- Coaches Association has re-evaluated our priorities.
- Agree we are not getting the best results out of the athletes with a 3-day championship – there’s a lot of rugby being played in a few days.
- There is concern with teams playing 2 games in one day (to hard on the athletes physically and mentally). Teams don’t play two games in one day at all during the regular season, then we expect them to perform at the championship which is the highlight of their season.
- Would look to a similar model as hockey.
- Assuming the main concern from Athletic Directors is the extra costs for a 4<sup>th</sup> day. Are there any additional concerns the Coaches Association should be aware of?

**Discussion highlights:**

- Have you ever considered a Final 4? With four Regional Associations and a host berth as a requirement based on CIS policies, can’t get it to work.
- Any consideration of seeding (with no cross-over)? Not sure how we could do it differently right now which is based on previous years strength. Have requested the implementation of a Top 10 but this has been turned down so without a top 10 it’s a challenge.
- Coaches Association would also need to change the structure for ties.

**ii) Experimental Law Variations**

It was reported that new laws will be going through for August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2008 as communicated through Rugby Canada. Coaches Association discussed as their meeting this past week. The changes will require more work on the part of the coaches. There is some concern with the officials being trained and ready to go in time for the start of the season. The straw vote at the coaches meeting indicated that (for the schools in attendance):

- 3 schools in QSSF and 3 of 4 from AUS voted in unanimous support of going to the new laws
- Victoria and UBC indicated will have to play with the new laws (part of the BCRA)
- OUA voted against it based on concern re officials

There was no discussion to not moving to these rules, it was just discussing whether they should defer for one year.

**Discussion highlights:**

- Concern from the OUA is that the level of officiating is not there and this will not help.
- There are currently different rules for under 18 and athletes have to adjust to different rules.
- Has there been any commitment from RC that officials are appropriately trained and knowledgeable of the new rules? Have asked RC to present a plan. Should be coming shortly.
- No action required as the PR already say we follow IRB laws.

**ACTION:** M. Parrish and S. Newton to circulate materials re new laws are distributed to all CIS Coaches with a cc to the Athletic Directors. Should also follow-up with Rugby Canada re the implementation plan.

**Men's Soccer (70% response rate with 29 of 41)**

MOTION 6 (*Motion 2 on vote sheet*) K. Schildroth/J. Keogh Tabled  
That the CIS Men's Soccer Coach's Association provides the FISU program with a grant equal to 60% of the Association's balance on the date of the successful application to FISU 2009. This grant to be used by the coaching staff toward the operational expenses of the FISU team. The head coach shall prepare a report for presentation at the annual meeting (CIS National Championships) to provide documentation on the use of the grant in the team's operations.

Athletic Director	For - 18	Against - 3	Abstain - 8
Head Coach	For - 22	Against - 2	Abstain - 5

**Additional information:** In July 2007 \$4897 was provided/used from their account for FISU. Currently in their account \$7,997.88 with an additional \$4100 to be collected in July 2008.

**Action required from last meeting:** Sport Committee can not support the above motion. The outstanding funds from the previous account must be received by the CIS Office. This must be done by May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2008. S. Newton to follow-up with the President of the Coaches Association.

**Update:** Email was sent to the President of Coaches Association.  
President of the Coaches Association emailed former treasurer on April 29<sup>th</sup>. Did not receive a response to his email.  
President called and left messages on both his home phone and cell phone. No returned call.  
S. Newton contacted Val Schneider from Canada West to see if he could provide any assistance in contacting the individual.  
S. Newton contacted Director of Athletics at a CIS school to see if he could provide any assistance in contacting the individual (provides some voluntary assistant coaching for their men's soccer program).  
Val Schneider reported that the individual had returned his call. He assured Val he would get in touch with S. Newton. Reported that his computer wasn't working due to a major virus. Also indicated the account is dormant with the Bank of Hong Kong in a branch that has closed down. He needs to sign a number of documents to get access to the account. Later confirmed a total of \$3,376.82 was being forwarded to the CIS Office (Thursday, June 5<sup>th</sup>).  
UPDATE: Following the AGM the cheque was received.

**Discussion highlights:**

- Concern expressed that a volunteer assistant coach is an executive of the Coaches Association
- May need to look at our policy re use of CA funds with a cap on FISU.
- Should have got the clarification from the CA on what the funds were going to be used on.
- K. Schildroth was at the CA meeting and it was not intended just for coaches.
- Can support if being used for coaches. Need additional details.

**ACTION:** S. Newton to follow-up with the President of the Coaches Association.

**ACTION:**  
Need to get from the International Committee how much coaches associations are spending on FISU and do we need to look at a cap.

4. For pre-approved motions please see Annex A.

- 5. For motions forwarded to other committees see Annex B.
- 6. Coaches Association Motions requiring approval

**CROSS COUNTRY – 81% response rate (26 of 32)**

**MOTION 7** (*Motion 1 on vote sheet*) J. Keogh/J. Myers **Carried**  
 To amend the CIS regulation number 20.50.4 to read:  
**Men’s and Women’s Cross Country 68**  
 (A) The top team from each Atlantic University Sport, and QSSF, the top two teams from each Canada West and OUA  
 (B) Two additional teams based on previous year’s CIS results, with the two highest placing conference(s) other than (per A), the top 2 CW, Top 2 OU and top AUS and QSSF, will received travel pool funding to a maximum of three (3) per conference, with the exception of the host conference for the competition year not receiving the additional funding for that year.

**Rationale:** Original wording was not clear and did not reflect the intent of the approved motion.

Athletic Director	For - 22	Against - 2	Abstain - 2
Head Coach	For - 23	Against - 2	Abstain - 1

**MOTION 8** (*Motion 2 on vote sheet*) J. Keogh/L. Moore **Carried**  
 That the CIS Cross Country Coaches Association, on a one-time basis, provide \$1,000 to each coach, up to a maximum of three (3) coaches to off-set expenses for the 2008 FISU Cross Country Championships.

**Rationale:** To help off-set the self-funding requirement.

Athletic Director	For - 23	Against - 3	Abstain - 0
Head Coach	For - 26	Against - 0	Abstain - 0

**MOTION 9** (*Motion 3 on vote sheet*) J. Keogh/L. Moore **Defeated**  
 To increase the CIS host championships funding to a maximum of \$1500.00, upon application from the host University to the CIS Cross Country Executive.

**Rationale:** During the last few Championships, the CIS Cross Country Coaches have offered \$500.00 to the Host of CIS Cross Championships to enhance the event. The \$500 really went to enhancements such as Chip timing, or additional results crew, or various other aspects to make the sport better for the athletes / coaches / spectators. After some discussion, it was decided that \$500 doesn't cover the chip timing, nor many of the additional requirements that the host needs to do to put on a good championship. Therefore, the CIS Cross Country Coaches decided to increase it to "up to a maximum" of \$1500 to ensure the host is compensated for the needs of the championship.

Athletic Director	For - 21	Against - 4	Abstain - 1
Head Coach	For - 21	Against - 4	Abstain - 1

**Discussion highlights:**

- Not clear why a Coaches Association would be paying funds to a Host?
- Initially CHIP timing was considered a host enhancement as not everyone was doing it but it is now a requirement outlined in the CIS Championship Bid Book.
- Not a lot of universities are bidding to host this championship so maybe this is an incentive.
- Right now most are bare bone bids, hosts need to do more.
- Clearly the bid book doesn't have enough in it.

**ACTION:** Need to make sure this fits with the coaches association funds criteria? Need to raise the bar as far as the level of expectation in hosting this championship. Should complete

a review of the true costs of running the championship and what the expectations are from the Coaches Associations/participants. S. Newton to follow-up.

**FIELD HOCKEY – 78.5% Response Rate (11 of 14)**

**MOTION 9 (Motion 2 on vote sheet) P. Murray/J.Keogh**

**Withdrawn**

To contribute \$500.00 from the CIS Coaches Association budget to support the FHC/CIS partnership. This \$500.00 will be paid annually for the next three years.

Athletic Director	For - 8	Against - 3	Abstain - 0
Head Coach	For - 10	Against - 1	Abstain - 0

**Discussion highlights:**

There is no rationale explaining what this contribution is for? Why would the Coaches Association give \$ to FHC? What is the money to be used for?

**ACTION:** S. Newton to seek out additional information.

**MEN'S BASKETBALL - 88% Response Rate (38 of 43)**

(Motion 1 on vote sheet) – OUT OF ORDER

That members of the seeding committee be allowed to call the coaches from their Regional Association to let them know the outcome of the at large berth selection and seeding call.

Athletic Director	For - 33	Against - 2	Abstain - 3
Head Coach	For - 36	Against - 1	Abstain - 1

**Discussion highlights:**

- CIS currently has a policy that member institutions are not to release the seeding information until the CIS office has made the official media announcement (\$500 fine for any school who does not respect the embargo).
- Current practise includes the CIS Office contacting the successful applicants within 1 hour of the completion of the seeding call.
- Sport Committee acknowledged there was a step missing in the process and therefore passed the following motion:

**MOTION 10 - L. Moore/J. Keogh**

**Carried**

To add to the process that non-successful applicants be notified via email by the CIS Office at the same time as the successful applicants.

(Motion 6 on vote sheet) – No mover to bring motion to the floor.

As the numbers of men's basketball teams continues to grow, fewer and fewer student-athletes are being recognized on a proportional basis. Therefore it is moved that a Third Team All-Canadian Team be established.

Athletic Director	For - 15	Against - 16	Abstain - 7
Head Coach	For - 34	Against - 4	Abstain - 0

**Discussion highlights:**

- Sought out feedback from COMSID and they did not support this motion.

(Motion 8 on vote sheet) – No mover to bring motion to the floor. Not enough details (time frame, who, what, process, approval, etc.)

That the NABCC invest up to \$3,000 for piloting the production of bi-weekly highlight videos in order to assist with the promotion of the game.

Athletic Director	For - 20	Against - 8	Abstain - 10
Head Coach	For - 28	Against - 6	Abstain - 4

**MOTION 11** (*Motion 10 on vote sheet*) **J. Keogh/L. Moore** **Carried**  
**As a one year pilot project, the NABCC reimburse Mark Wacyk \$2,000 for his administrative expenses associated with the cishoops.ca website in 2008-2009.**

Athletic Director	For - 22	Against - 5	Abstain - 11
Head Coach	For - 31	Against - 4	Abstain - 3

(*Motion 12 on vote sheet*) – **OUT OF ORDER (institutional choice)**  
 Each CIS basketball school subscribe to Game Tape Exchange as their video exchange provider.

Athletic Director	For - 28	Against - 5	Abstain - 5
Head Coach	For - 35	Against - 2	Abstain - 1

(*Motion 13 on vote sheet*) **SEE COMMENTS BELOW**  
 That the NABCC executive and CIS liaise with the Host Committee to house, feed and organize activities for non-participating All-Canadians and major award winners to enhance their CIS Championship experience.

Athletic Director	For - 28	Against - 7	Abstain - 3
Head Coach	For - 37	Against - 1	Abstain - 0

- Discussion highlights:**
- With the transition to a new Host a few contractual items got missed.
  - CIS Office working with the Host to ensure all is in place for the 2009 championship.
  - Has been dealt with.

**MOTION 12** (*Motion 15 on vote sheet*) **J. Keogh/K. Schildroth** **Carried (as amended)**  
**That the NABCC purchase, coordinate and present watches to all CIS men’s basketball coaches who coach for 25 years.**

Athletic Director	For - 25	Against - 6	Abstain - 7
Head Coach	For - 34	Against - 2	Abstain - 2

**ACTION:** *Should look to see if this is something we could do in all sports. Consider a cap on the cost of the watches.*

**MEN’S HOCKEY – 87.5% (28 of 32 responded)**

**MOTION 13** (*Motion 1 on vote sheet*) **J. Myers/K. Schildroth** **Carried**  
 That the following note be added to policy 20.20.4.6:  
 "When the OUA is hosting the CIS Championship, they will have three (3) teams competing (the host plus two (2)). AUS and the Canada West Conference will each have one (1) team competing and there will be a wildcard team which will alternate between the two conferences. When Canada West is hosting, they will have two (2) teams competing (the host plus one) with OUA having two (2) teams, AUS having one (1) team and one(1) wildcard team will alternate between OUA and AUS. When AUS is hosting, they will have two (2) teams competing (the host plus one) with Canada West having one (1) team, OUA having two (2) teams and one wildcard team alternating between OUA and Canada West."

**Rationale:** This formula will continue to encourage conferences to bid for an opportunity to host the championship. It also guarantees that conference playoffs have a major impact on

teams getting to the CIS Championship. The following outlines how the formula would be applied over the next six years, if CWUAA and AUS were successful in bidding to host.

2008- 2009	HOST - OUA - 3: CWUAA - 1: AUS - 2
2009-2010	HOST - OUA - 3: CWUAA- 2: AUS - 1
2010-2011	OUA - 2: HOST - CWUAA - 2: AUS - 2
2011-2012	OUA - 3: HOST - CWUAA - 2: AUS - 1
2012-2013	OUA - 3: West - 1: HOST AUS - 2
2013-2014	OUA - 2: West - 2: HOST AUS - 2

Athletic Director	For - 27	Against - 0	Abstain - 1
Head Coach	For - 28	Against - 0	Abstain - 0

**MOTION 14** (*Motion 2 on vote sheet*) **J. Keogh/K. Schildroth** **Carried (as amended)**  
**To provide \$7,500 from the Coaches Association account to assist the coaching and support staff (must be a CIS Coach) to the 2009 Winter Universiade.**

Athletic Director	For - 23	Against - 2	Abstain - 3
Head Coach	For - 28	Against - 0	Abstain - 0

<b>WOMEN'S HOCKEY - 74% response rate (20 of 27)</b>
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**MOTION 15** (*Motion 7 on vote sheet*) **K. Schildroth/J. Keogh** **Carried**  
**In policy H.2a) with regards to assignment of referees which states "3 referees assigned by Hockey Canada one from each Sport Conference of Canadian Interuniversity Sport.**  
**Amend to add the words "where possible".**

**Rationale:** To accommodate a situation where a conference is not able to put forth a qualified nominee/official for the championship.

Athletic Director	For - 18	Against - 1	Abstain - 1
Head Coach	For - 19	Against - 0	Abstain - 1

**MOTION 16** (*Motion 8 on vote sheet*) **L. Moore/J. Keogh** **Carried (as amended)**  
**Add to our protocol that all teams participating in the CIS Championship are to provide a DVD of their last game for circulation to each of the other participating teams in the tournament. Process will be as follows:**

**First round opponents must exchange video of their two (2) last matches prior to the Championship. The video must arrive in the opponent's hand by Tuesday at 5:00 pm EST or as determined by the two (2) respective coaches. This video is for the sole use of the respective team's preparation for its first round match and shall be returned to the appropriate team prior to the start of the first round match. If any of these conditions are not met, the offending institution will be assessed a fine as per the non-compliance policy.**

**Rationale:** To simplify the process of participating teams compiling video footage of their opponents in their preparation for the championships.

Athletic Director	For - 18	Against - 2	Abstain - 0
Head Coach	For - 18	Against - 2	Abstain - 0

**SWIMMING - 90% Response Rate (26 of 29)**

**MOTION 17** (*Motion 2 on vote sheet*) **P. Murray/J. Keogh** **Carried (as amended)**  
**CIS coaches association would support the educational opportunity of working together with SNC at the SNC coaches conference to be held every two years starting in September, 2008 up to a maximum of \$1000 (as ratified by the Coaches Association executive).**

Athletic Director	For - 22	Against - 0	Abstain - 4
Head Coach	For - 26	Against - 0	Abstain - 0

**TRACK & FIELD - 83% Response Rate (20 of 24)**

**MOTION 18** (*Motion 7 on vote sheet*) **P. Murray/K. Schidroth** **Carried**

**That the wording for Playing Regulation C.5 Individual Rankings shall be:  
C.5 Individual Rankings**

**The Sporting Canada Web Site shall be the official Canadian Interuniversity Sport Track and Field ranking mechanism. Areas covered by the Sporting Canada can include and are not limited to:**

- **Site where coaches will input all individual results after each competition as well as their team rosters**
- **Site where coaches will have the ability to input profiles on each of their team members. Profiles will be updated from year to year to create a history for each athlete.**
- **Site is also available for posting of stories related to CIS track and field either by coaches or Sport Information Departments**
- **Hourly rankings of the Top 15 performances within the CIS and also by conference.**
- **Weekly CIS team rankings both nationally and by conference**
- **Team rankings with and without Non-CIS equivalent events**
- **Archived results by team going back to the beginning of the Sporting Canada site**
- **Posting of meet results**
- **Posting of athletes or relay teams who achieve CIS Equivalent Standards**
- **Automatic addition of correction factors to performances achieved on oversized tracks.**

Athletic Director	For - 20	Against - 0	Abstain - 0
Head Coach	For - 20	Against - 0	Abstain - 0

NOTE: No minutes were received from the Women's Basketball Coaches Association meeting. Women's Volleyball and Men's Volleyball did not meet but their executives may have motions they'll forward for an email vote following the June meetings.

There was concern expressed that we continue to experience challenges in the timing of receipt of Coaches Association minutes, with complete rationale. What, if anything, can Sport Committee do to assist?

- Should look to use a notice of motion form that must be completed and submitted to the CIS Office instead of minutes.
- Commissioners/sport liaison persons could help with this process.
- Now a lot of Regional Associations have sport chairs but some of these individuals don't know CIS process.
- Could a member of Sport Committee be assigned 2 sports and they work with the President of the Coaches Association prior to the coaches association meeting to help them prepare and understand CIS process?
- Could look to hold two conference calls per year (one Fall and one Winter) with Presidents of Coaches Associations.
- What do we do if they are not on the call? Any issues with their motions at SC level would not be discussed and/or supported.

**MOTION 19 L. Moore/J. Keogh** **Carried**  
To hold two conference calls (one in the fall and one in the spring) with Presidents of Coaches Associations to review CIS decision making process and to help them prepare for upcoming Coaches Association meetings.

**7. Motions forwarded to Sport Committee from Marketing Committee**

**MOTION 20 P. Murray/J. Myers** **Carried (as amended)**  
It is recommended that all Men's and Women's Soccer uniforms possess front, back and shorts contrasting colour player numbers effective immediately with all teams on board by the 2011 CIS Men's and Women's Soccer Championships. Note: Guidelines for the size of numbers will need to be included.

**Rationale:** Numbers currently on the vast majority of soccer jerseys (on the back) are hard to read and make the provision of statistics difficult.

**ACTION:** Follow-up with CSA, FIFA and/or NCAA for guidelines around size of numbers on jerseys.

**MOTION 21 P. Murray/J. Myers** **Withdrawn**  
It is recommended that all CIS members' sports follow a single coloured number that has as sharp contrast to the jersey colour commencing immediately for full implementation by 2011.

**Rationale:** Numbers currently on the vast majority of team jerseys (on the back) are hard to read and make the provision of statistics difficult.

**ACTION:** Need to complete additional research on current regulations sport by sport. Also need to discuss with manufacturers of uniforms to better understand trim size and what's up and coming. Check NCAA rules.

**MOTION 22 P. Murray/J. Myers** **Carried**  
If CIS Championship games are televised, the primary lead broadcaster will make the selection of the players of the game.

**Rationale:** By doing so, duplication of the selection process by the host and the broadcaster will be eliminated.

**Note:** Need to ensure that if the lead broadcaster declines picking the player of the game the process reverts back to the responsibility of the Host Organizing Committee

**8. Revised Framework for the review of Policy 20.20**

S. Newton presented the revised framework and noted that the sport specific components included at the end would be sent to only those Coaches Associations.

Sport Committee supported the following process:

1. Circulate ALL principles (up to page 20) to all Athletic Directors and CIS coaches (in all sports) – deadline to submit of October 15<sup>th</sup>.
2. Compile information. Should be broken down by Athletic Directors, Coaches, sport by sport as well as by gender (must be sent out in advance).
3. Sport Committee conference call to provide recommendations/direction to the Board (November 15th) Could be done via videoconferencing.
4. Provide summary to Board (December 08).
5. Would recommend to the Board that feedback on sport specific formats (Winter sports) be sent out in January to those Coaches Associations.

Note: Need to make sure there are no other major survey's going on (R&D, E&E, Eligibility, etc.)

## 9. Review of Flexible Funded Championship Models

### a. Curling

Committee reviewed and discussed recommendations included in Annex C.

#### i) Format

MOTION 23 P. Murray/J. Keogh

WITHDRAWN

The championship move from an open format to a 7-team championship with some form of regional playoffs.

#### **Discussion highlights:**

- Could look at a different breakdown for the travel so it partially funds a complete CW playdown (not provincial type playoffs that don't build any real excitement – the excitement is heading to a CIS Championship).
- With the open format a team can drop out and that's OK but through a qualification process its not as easy – could lead to bigger challenges.
- Many universities have different support processes for their programs, different philosophies. This was expressed several times over the past season.
- The recommended model does move the championship towards the norm for CIS Championships. That itself will lead to different challenges (CIS championship policies)
- Need to find a way to make the open championship work. Can we tighten up the eligibility rules?
- If we're not ready for a regional playdown what else can we do to help with the status of the championship?
- Regional playoffs could be coordinated by CCA (with possible funding). Number of playoffs to be determined by CCA.
- Need more feedback from the membership. What do they want to see?

#### **Recommendation from Sport Committee to CCA:**

- **Keep it as an open championship**
- **There should be a capped number of teams with a waiting list ready to do for schools that drop out. First in with registration fees.**
- **Over the course of the next year CIS needs to review the will of the membership and meet with the CCA to discuss the future of this championship.**

#### ii) Changing the Culture

MOTION 24 (P. Murray/L. Moore)

Carried

**Sport Committee supports CCA to operationalize their existing policies around running a dry-championship.**

#### iii) Eligibility

Sport Committee will ask CCA to support the following word changes to the eligibility rules for the CIS/CCA Curling Championships:

- 1.2.1. Academic: Be a student who is officially registered and in good standing, pursuing a full-time course of study at a CIS member university. Full-time status must be confirmed on the entry form by signature by the athletic director of the institution. **(Full-time as defined in CIS policies 40.10.3.2 and 40.10.3.3)**

- 1.2.2. Athletic: Be a member of the **recognized university** curling team, as approved by signature of the athletic director of the institution.
- 1.2.3. Citizenship: Be a Canadian citizen with a birth date between January 2nd, 1981 and January 1, 1992 inclusive. **Note: This only applies to individuals representing Canada at the FISU Games. Student-athletes at the CIS/CCA Championship must meet 1.2.1 above to participate in the championship.**
- 1.2.4. **Maximum Years: A student may participate in a maximum of five (5) CIS Championships.**

**ACTION:** *An Ad-hoc committee be struck to review and provide recommendations on championship format, structure, eligibility rules, etc. Committee to include individuals (one per region, CCA and CIS staff).*

b. Field Hockey/Wrestling

Committee reviewed reports provided by S. Newton. See Annex D.

In reference to Field Hockey:

**ACTION:** *S. Newton to communicate with the Coaches Association that Sport Committee does not support an athlete levy (this is not acceptable).*

In reference to Wrestling:

Sport Committee noted that CIS needs to keep up to date on the LTAD and make sure CIS is on side with this.

**10. Championship Reports**

Sport Committee reviewed the summarized championship evaluations. S. Newton reported that these reports had just been completed and had not yet been shared with each of the Organizing Committees. Will be completed as soon as possible following the AGM.

**11. Recommendation re Commissioner type positions for Coaches Associations**

The committee reviewed Annex E.

- Do we support this concept?
- Coaches Associations may be looking for something totally different ie. an individual accountable to them not the CIS as a whole.
- We have to let them determine what they want.
- Suggest we go back to the Coaches Association with a background on policy. Need to establish a review process. Job descriptions would require approval by Sport Committee.

**ACTION:** *S. Newton to go back to the Coaches Association to seek out what a Commissioner job description would look like (including a budget) This information will be used as information for a proposal to be considered by the Board.*

**12. Process for review naming of awards for Coaches Associations**

S. Newton provided a summary of the process for naming of awards. Sport Committee agreed there was one part missing which includes the naming of existing sport specific awards.

**ACTION:** *S. Newton to work with CIS staff to add to current policy the inclusion of naming existing sport specific awards.*

**13. Revised Men's Basketball Proposal – Annex F**

Received a revised proposal from the Men's Basketball Coaches Association following comments provided by Sport Committee. There was concern expressed by the committee that the budget is still not complete. Accommodation numbers are not accurate (last minute booking will be more than the \$100/night). As well flights will be a challenge. Also note that not every facility at the institutional level will meet the 1000 seat requirement.

It was agreed that the proposal does have merit and should be shared with the membership to encourage discussion. In the meantime, various CIS Committees should be reviewing the proposal prior to moving forward to the Board.

**14. Update re process for the new format for the Women's Basketball Championship**

An update was provided re the process of moving to the new format for the Women's Basketball Championship. See Annex G.

**ACTION:**

- a) S. Newton to forward a copy of the men's basketball proposal to seek out their feedback. Include a list of Sport Committees views of the strengths of the men's basketball proposal.
- b) Draft a letter expressing concern re the lack of response from the WBCA around the new championship model as well as the follow-up to their March meeting. S. Newton to draft letter, C. Dufresne to sign and discuss with the President of the Coaches Association.
- c) It was also noted that another action item to add to the plan is the need to build a marketing plan for the promotion of this change and where its going to be.

**15. East-West Bowl Game**

- a. Operating Framework
- b. Bidding Criteria
- c. Championship Contract

S. Newton reported that there has been no progress made. A couple of emails were sent and a voicemail message left for the CUFCA rep with no response.

**ACTION:** S. Newton to follow-up with the President of CUFCA. A first draft must be received by July 31<sup>st</sup>. If not Sport Committee will recommend to the Board the suspension of the East-West Bowl game in 2009.

**16. CFL Playoffs, potential conflicts with CIS Bowl Games**

M. McGregor met with CFL Commissioner and it was indicated that the decision was final re moving the date of their playoff games to the Saturday, the same weekend as the CIS Bowl games.

**MOTION 25 (L. Moore/J. Myers)**

**Carried**

**That due to the conflict with the CFL playoffs and the challenges around television broadcast, to move the semi-final bowl games to Sunday, November 16th. Time to be determined based on CIS negotiations with TV and Host.**

**17. New Business**

- a. FIBA rules:

Reports have been received re changes to FIBA rules. Concern has been expressed (i.e. floor markings required by 2012).

What is the phase in approach (some schools having different floor markings then others).

Need to follow-up with Basketball Canada. Are they in support of these changes and will they be implementing them? By when? Process? Could impact Canada Games as well.

Official Basketball Rules 2008 – need to make sure the coaches are aware as well as the officials body.

***ACTION:*** *CIS to discuss with Basketball Canada as well as CABO.*

**18. Adjournment**

**MOTION 26 J. Keogh/L. Moore**  
**To adjourn the meeting.**

**Carried**

**ANNEX A**  
**Coaches Association Motions 2007-2008**  
**Pre-Approved/Coaches Association Business**

<b>FIELD HOCKEY – 78.5% Response Rate (11 of 14)</b>
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**Motion 1 – OUT OF ORDER (ALREADY CURRENT PRACTISE)**

Every year, the FHC/CIS National Field Hockey Championship will rotate between the OUA and the CW conferences.

**Rationale:** Its important to spread the championship across the country.

Athletic Director	For - 9	Against - 2	Abstain - 0
Head Coach	For - 9	Against - 2	Abstain - 0

**Motion 3 – PRE-APPROVED (TECHNICAL)**

That the following housekeeping changes be made to the CIS Playing Regulations (**red print - represents additions**):

D.1 TYPE OF EVENT....

FH Canada/CIS National Championships will be played in accordance with the current regulations and policies of FHC and the current FIH “Rules of the Game of Hockey”  
 The championship shall be a five...

D.9.1

e) (4<sup>th</sup> line) ...in the same sequence of play as per **D.5 SCHEDULE OR ORDER OF EVENTS**  
 (remove...the order of play in the tournament, in accordance with paragraph 4)

E.1 BALL

...the kookaburra match ball (orange or **white ball**) to be used...

**ACTION:** somewhere there needs to be a reference that the manager, events & programs will consult with marketing to ensure the equipement is within sponsorship

E.4 BIBS, SOCKS, SHIRT COLOR...

(end of section)

**Note: No white socks shall be worn.**

F RULES

(remove: The FHC/CIS Championships are conducted under the FIH federation, rules of the game of field hockey as of September 1 of the current year.)

H.9 SELECTION PROCESS

...List is given to **Field Hockey Canada**. (remove: the Vice president – Umpires who makes the final selection.)

I.9 TOURNAMENT ALL-STAR TEAM

a)...worthy of Tournament XI selection (see appendix: Tournament XI selection process) - **see attached**

I.11.1 R.W. PUGH FAIRPLAY AWARD

The host committee shall ensure that the R.W. Pugh Fair Play Award is selected by those working at the Technical table.

K. APPENDICES

- **Tournament XI selection process**

Athletic Director	For - 11	Against - 0	Abstain - 0
Head Coach	For - 11	Against - 0	Abstain - 0

**MEN'S BASKETBALL – 88% Response Rate (38 of 43)**

**Motion 2 – COACHES ASSOCIATION BUSINESS**

That the Top 10 convenors only (i.e. not all the coaches) do the Top 10 rankings for the last two votes of the year.

Athletic Director	For - 31	Against - 5	Abstain - 2
Head Coach	For - 32	Against - 4	Abstain - 2

**Motion 3 – COACHES ASSOCIATION BUSINESS**

To establish a sub-committee with regional representation, to review the at-large berth selection criteria, with a view to looking at the weighting of the Top 10 criteria.

Athletic Director	For - 37	Against - 0	Abstain - 1
Head Coach	For - 38	Against - 0	Abstain - 0

**Motion 4 – COACHES ASSOCIATION BUSINESS**

To direct the above sub-committee to review the play-off performance criteria and clarify the language as it relates to comparing different play-off structures across the four Regional Associations.

Athletic Director	For - 37	Against - 0	Abstain - 1
Head Coach	For - 37	Against - 0	Abstain - 1

**Motion 5 – COACHES ASSOCIATION BUSINESS**

To direct the above sub-committee to review the selection criteria and make a series of recommendations.

Athletic Director	For - 37	Against - 0	Abstain - 1
Head Coach	For - 38	Against - 0	Abstain - 0

**Motion 7 – COACHES ASSOCIATION BUSINESS**

To add a position of Treasurer to the NABCC executive.

Athletic Director	For - 32	Against - 0	Abstain - 6
Head Coach	For - 38	Against - 0	Abstain - 0

**Motion 9 – COACHES ASSOCIATION BUSINESS**

For Eddie Pomykala to work with the NABCC and the CIS to explore the production of a Canada First advocacy materials for men's basketball, with a budget from NABCC of up to \$2,500.

Athletic Director	For - 30	Against - 3	Abstain - 5
Head Coach	For - 34	Against - 3	Abstain - 1

**Motion 11 – COACHES ASSOCIATION BUSINESS**

To encourage each institution to send their basketball coach to the NABCC meetings.

Athletic Director	For - 35	Against - 1	Abstain - 2
Head Coach	For - 38	Against - 0	Abstain - 0

**Motion 16 – COACHES ASSOCIATION BUSINESS**

To elect Mike Connolly as Treasurer.

Athletic Director	For - 32	Against - 0	Abstain - 6
Head Coach	For - 38	Against - 0	Abstain - 0

**MEN'S HOCKEY – 87.5% (28 of 32 responded)**

**Motion 3 – PRE-APPROVED (TECHNICAL)**

That E.5, last sentence be adjusted to read:

Should the player return without an internal mouth guard, or refuse to leave the ice when instructed to do so by the referee, he shall be assessed a 10-minute game misconduct penalty.

Athletic Director	For - 26	Against - 0	Abstain - 2
Head Coach	For - 26	Against - 0	Abstain - 2

**Rationale:** Brings CIS rule in-line with Hockey Canada rule.

**WOMEN'S HOCKEY - 74% response rate (20 of 27)**

**Motion 1 – PRE-APPROVED (TECHNICAL)**

To change policy D.2.1 Draw: Each team will be considered the home team for one game and the away team for one game during the two-round robin games. The higher seeded team on day one shall be the away team for that game.

Amend to include that “the home team will wear white in the preliminary round.”

**Rationale:** Current rule states that each team is the home team for 1 game, but does not specify which team wears which color.

Athletic Director	For - 20	Against - 0	Abstain - 0
Head Coach	For - 20	Against - 0	Abstain - 0

**Motion 2 – PRE-APPROVED (TECHNICAL)**

To change policy D.5 Schedule and Order of Events: The two winners of round robin games on day one automatically advance to day 3. The two losers of round robin games on day one play again on day 2 against the two teams with a bye on day one. Where possible, the top-ranked team in each pool plays on day 1 against the lowest ranked team in their pool. However, the Host team may play on Friday evening and Saturday evening regardless of their seeding.

Amend to say “Day 1 and Day 2” as opposed to “Friday and Saturday”, also amend to say “The host team may play their first game on either Day 1 or Day 2 regardless of seeding.”

**Rationale:** There is the potential for a better draw for the home team on a particular night, and we also want the host team playing during the opening ceremonies.

Athletic Director	For - 19	Against - 0	Abstain - 1
Head Coach	For - 19	Against - 0	Abstain - 1

**Motion 3 – PRE-APPROVED (TECHNICAL)**

To change policy D.8.1 with regards to overtime and time outs in round robin play and for the 5<sup>th</sup> place and bronze medal games: Tied games at the end of regulation play shall be broken by a 10-minute overtime period. If the score is still tied, proceed to a shootout competition.

Amend to include “There will be a 2 minute bench rest between regulation time and the shoot-out.”

**Rationale:** So teams are aware of the protocol for bench rest and to have it consistent through all portions of our playing regulations.

Athletic Director	For - 20	Against - 0	Abstain - 0
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Head Coach                      For - 20                      Against - 0                      Abstain - 0

**Motion 4 – PRE-APPROVED (TECHNICAL)**

To change policy D.8.2 with regards to bench rest in the gold medal game which states: “In the event of a tie at the end of regulation time in the gold medal match, a 3- minute bench rest shall be permitted and then a 10-minute sudden victory overtime period will be played.”

Amend to state that “In the event of a tie at the end of regulation time in the gold medal match, a 2- minute bench rest shall be permitted and then a 10-minute sudden victory overtime period will be played.

**Rationale:** To keep the amount of bench rest time in between regulation and overtime periods consistent throughout round robin and play-off games.

Athletic Director	For - 20	Against - 0	Abstain - 0
Head Coach	For - 20	Against - 0	Abstain - 0

**Motion 5 – PRE-APPROVED (TECHNICAL)**

In policy D.8.3 regarding Shoot-Out Procedures, there is no mention of which team is selected to shoot first. Amend the policy to add in the statement, “Home team shall have the choice to shoot first or defend the first penalty shot.”

**Rationale:** To clarify which team will shoot first in the shoot-out.

Athletic Director	For - 20	Against - 0	Abstain - 0
Head Coach	For - 20	Against - 0	Abstain - 0

**Motion 6 – PRE-APPROVED (TECHNICAL)**

In policy D.8. with regards to overtime and shoot-outs, amend to include the statement “All OT periods shall be played 5v5.”

**Rationale:** To make it clear what the protocol is for overtime at the CIS Championships, as there are a variety of different policies for overtime across the conferences.

Athletic Director	For - 20	Against - 0	Abstain - 0
Head Coach	For - 20	Against - 0	Abstain - 0

**SWIMMING - 90% Response Rate (26 of 29)**

**Motion 3 – PRE-APPROVED**

The CIS proof of time regulations be modified such that all times from sanctioned competition events from October 1 of the current season be accepted.

**Rationale:** This will bring the rule in line with the practice that all meets within the time frame count regardless as to what level the competition is.

Athletic Director	For - 25	Against - 0	Abstain - 1
Head Coach	For - 26	Against - 0	Abstain - 0

**Motion 4 – PRE-APPROVED (TECHNICAL)**

House keeping clean-up of playing regulations:

- a. Change references to “Sporting Canada” in playing regulations to “designated ranking system”.
- b. CIS team rankings – C.7 results from SNC CIS Rankings
- c. D.5.2 move parade of grads to start of session

- d. D.5.2 remove one reference to 8/1500 order
- e. Conversions – D.10.2 a) leave alone but SNC will start to include yards conversions in the ranking system.
- f. D.11.1 – delete whole paragraph
- g. C.5 – change to designated ranking system – administrative
- h. D.5.1 change finals time to 6 p.m.
- i. D.7 – adjust times – administrative

Athletic Director	For - 24	Against - 0	Abstain - 2
Head Coach	For - 26	Against - 0	Abstain - 0

**Motion 5 – PRE-APPROVED**

To define graduates (for the sake of paraded them out at the CIS Championship) as “athlete with the intention that this is their final CIS competition” shall be recognized.

Athletic Director	For - 19	Against - 2	Abstain - 5
Head Coach	For - 23	Against - 2	Abstain - 1

**TRACK & FIELD - 83% Response Rate (20 of 24)**

**Motion 1 – COACHES ASSOCIATION BUSINESS**

That the CIS Track and Field Coaches Association direct Sporting Canada™ to pursue and move forward on the uploading / downloading of meet entries and results capabilities and the archiving system into Sporting Canada.

Athletic Director	For - 19	Against - 0	Abstain - 1
Head Coach	For - 20	Against - 0	Abstain - 0

**Motion 4 – PRE-APPROVED (TECHNICAL)**

In Pole Vault, an athlete may check their takeoff position on the runway immediately after an attempt, prior to the official calling the next athlete to the runway.

Athletic Director	For - 19	Against - 0	Abstain - 1
Head Coach	For - 19	Against - 0	Abstain - 1

**Motion 5 – PRE-APPROVED (TECHNICAL)**

Playing Regulation C.4.1: Entries due 11:59 p.m., on the Monday ten (10) days prior.

Athletic Director	For - 20	Against - 0	Abstain - 0
Head Coach	For - 20	Against - 0	Abstain - 0

**Motion 6 – PRE-APPROVED (TECHNICAL)**

Playing Regulation C.4.3 By 11:59 p.m., EST on the Tuesday, nine (9) days prior to the CIS Championships.

Athletic Director	For - 20	Against - 0	Abstain - 0
Head Coach	For - 20	Against - 0	Abstain - 0

**Motion 8 – PRE-APPROVED (TECHNICAL)**

To amend Playing Regulation D.2.3 of the playing regulations to read:  
That the fastest qualifiers will be in the second (last) heat, with the slower qualifiers in the first heat.

Athletic Director	For - 19	Against - 0	Abstain - 1
Head Coach	For - 20	Against - 0	Abstain - 0

**Motion 9 – PRE-APPROVED (TECHNICAL)**

Playing Regulation D.4.1.6.2 - That in the 300m and the 4x200m Relay, that there be a random draw from the top seeds for lanes 4 and 5, and the lower seeds will be randomly drawn to lanes 3, 6 and 2.

Athletic Director	For - 18	Against - 0	Abstain - 2
Head Coach	For - 19	Against - 0	Abstain - 1

**ANNEX B**  
**Coaches Association Motions 2007-2008**  
**Forwarded to Other Committees**

**CROSS COUNTRY – 81% response rate (26 of 32)**

**Motion 4 – FOR MARKETING COMMITTEE**

That the CIS Committee complete the deal with the Sporting Canada contract, and ensure that the contract reflects the direction that the CIS Cross Country Coaches Association has requested.

**Rationale:** It was felt that Sporting Canada did not have a contract in place, and the CIS Cross Country Coaches rely heavily on the Sporting Canada website for all our information - hence when negotiations are in place, we want to ensure that the "CIS Committee" (persons making decisions), understood that the CIS Cross Country Coaches wish to keep Sporting Canada.

Athletic Director	For - 16	Against - 3	Abstain - 7
Head Coach	For - 22	Against - 1	Abstain - 3

**MEN'S BASKETBALL – 88% Response Rate (38 of 43)**

**Motion 14 – FOR ELIGIBILITY COMMITTEE**

That the CIS contact the NCAA with respect to rules with men's basketball and ask them to honour CIS rules with respect to CEGEP eligibility.

Athletic Director	For - 35	Against - 0	Abstain - 3
Head Coach	For - 36	Against - 2	Abstain - 0

**SWIMMING – 90% Response Rate (26 of 29)**

**Motion 1 – COACHES ASSOCIATION BUSINESS (ELIGIBILITY COMMITTEE)**

CIS Swimming Coaches Association work in collaboration with CIS staff to bring forward a motion that will be successful and accepted at the CIS AGM and reach our goal of no penalty transfer rule in the CIS swimming system. Example "CIS swimmers be allowed a no penalty, one time transfer after completion of their first year. This will run as a pilot project for 3-5 years and be reviewed yearly with the intent of making it permanent as soon as possible."

Athletic Director	For - 12	Against - 12	Abstain - 2
Head Coach	For - 20	Against - 5	Abstain - 1

**TRACK & FIELD – 83% Response Rate (20 of 24)**

**Motion 2 – FORWARD TO ELIGIBILITY COMMITTEE**

To approve that the sport of Track and Field be considered for the CIS eligibility pilot (about 3-5 year period).

Athletic Director	For - 11	Against - 6	Abstain - 3
Head Coach	For - 18	Against - 1	Abstain - 1

**Motion 3 – FORWARD TO ELIGIBILITY COMMITTEE**

Poll of CIS Cross Country Coaches Association to include the sport of Cross Country to be considered for the CIS eligibility pilot (about 3-5 year period).

Athletic Director	For - 10	Against - 6	Abstain - 4
Head Coach	For - 18	Against - 1	Abstain - 1

## ANNEX C

### CIS/CCA CURLING CHAMPIONSHIPS Recommendations for the 2009 Championship

Following the successful launch of the 2008 CIS/CCA Curling Championships and a review of the learnings from this first every event in consultation with the CCA, the following is a list of recommendations for implementation with the 2009 Championship.

#### FORMAT

**Concerns from 2008 championship** – 36 teams participated in the 2008 edition. This included 17 men's teams and 19 women's teams. This large number provided several challenges:

- a) The Host required the use of two curling clubs.
- b) Increased on-site ground transportation costs for the Host.
- c) The larger numbers and the "open" concept did not help in transition from a bonspiel environment to a CIS Championship event.
- d) Concern expressed that teams should have to qualify to participate in a CIS Championship.

Rationale: The breakdown of berths would be as follows:

- 2 teams from OUA
- 1 team from an Alberta/BC playoff
- 1 team from a Manitoba/Saskatchewan playoff
- 2 teams from an AUS playoff
- 1 team from QSSF (2009 Host)

Points of interest:

- OUA already has an OUA Championship.
- AUS teams/clubs have agreed to host a bonspiel in February with the winners attending the CIS Championship.
- McGill could be challenged by Concordia to participate in a playoff for the host berth (consistent format used in other CCA events).
- Above format may provide reduced travel costs for teams not making it to the CIS Championship.
- Less teams at the CIS Championship ensures an increase of funding available through the CCA travel pool for the 7 teams participating.

#### CHANGING THE CULTURE

**Concerns from 2008 championship** - There is a need to 'sell' the concept that this is a CIS Championship and as such is not the bonspiel environment. There was too much social drinking by everyone as this is the culture of curling clubs.

**Recommendation:** CCA to operationalize their policies/regulations around running a dry-championship. This is currently the model used for their Junior Championship (participants included are up to the age of 20). This includes a zero tolerance for the consumption of alcohol. Any break of the policy and curlers are suspended from all CCA sanctioned events for one year. Details would be included in the hosting agreement between CCA and the Host.

## HIGH PERFORMANCE OPPORTUNITES

**Concerns from 2008 championship** - Every two years the winners of the CIS/CCA championship represent Canada, with the CCA blessing, to the FISU Winter Games. Coaches requested CCA look at another international event that could be tied to the Championship for the non-FISU Games years.

**Recommendation:** CCS has agreed to use the CIS Championships for the team selection to an international event held annually in Japan. This trip is considered part of their Long Term Athlete Development model and as such both teams (one men's team and one women's team) will be fully funded to attend. CCA will support the two winning teams from the CIS Championships to attend this event in the non-FISU Games years. The 2010 event will be held in early to mid February.

## ELIGIBILITY RULES

**Concerns from 2008 championship** – The current wording used for eligibility of student-athletes to the CIS/CCA Curling Championships was unclear and the reference to age requirements for FISU caused confusion. Current wording:

*1.2.1. Academic: Be a student who is officially registered and in good standing, pursuing a full-time course of study at a CIS member university. Full-time status must be confirmed on the entry form by signature by the athletic director of the institution.*

*1.2.2. Athletic: Be a member of the varsity representative team.*

*1.2.3. Citizenship: Be a Canadian citizen with a birth date between January 2nd, 1981 and January 1, 1992 inclusive.*

### **Comments from the Eligibility Committee:**

- With respect to emerging sports such as curling, the Eligibility Committee recommends that the traditional eligibility rules should apply to any sport that is declared as a CIS sport and that requires a Declaration of Participation from member schools. Further, if the sport is able to access traditional CIS awards and honors, the Committee is of the position athletes should be subject to the same eligibility regulations as all other CIS student-athletes.
- As for the eligibility rules used for the 2008 curling championship, the Committee noted that the terminology of "varsity" in regulation 1.2.2 could be problematic for those schools that make a distinction between "varsity" and "club" and operate their curling team as a "club" sport.
- The Eligibility Committee also noted the present rules were silent on the subject of "maximum years" and were wondering if there is a limit to the number of championships a student-athlete could participate in.

*1.2.1. Academic: Be a student who is officially registered and in good standing, pursuing a full-time course of study at a CIS member university. Full-time status must be confirmed on the entry form by signature by the athletic director of the institution.*

*1.2.2. Athletic: Be a member of the recognized university curling team, as approved by signature of the athletic director of the institution.*

*1.2.3. Citizenship: Be a Canadian citizen with a birth date between January 2nd, 1981 and January 1, 1992 inclusive. Note: This only applies to individuals representing Canada at the FISU Games. Student-athletes at the CIS/CCA Championship must meet 1.2.1 above to participate in the championship.*

*1.2.4. Maximum Years: A student may participate in a maximum of five (5) CIS Championships.*

## TECHNICAL IMPROVEMENTS

The following are technical improvements that will be implemented for the 2009 edition of the championship:

- a) Uniforms: There will be stricter guidelines around the need for teams to be consistent and in uniform at all times within the clubhouse and on the ice (need to be wearing university team apparel). It is also necessary that teams NOT have corporate logos representing brewery companies on their uniforms.
- b) Time clocks will be used.
- c) Hog lines will be equipped with electronic handles.
- c) Stats: will see an improvement with the consistency of stats, with less teams it will be easier to find the necessary number of volunteers to keep track of the stats per match.
- d) Extra ends will be played toward the glass.
- e) Pre competition practice will be available with a reduced number of teams.
- f) Certified coaches: CCA will be enforcing the need for Level 2 certified coaches at the CIS Championship.

## ANNEX D

### FLEXIBLE FUNDED CHAMPIONSHIPS REVIEW FIELD HOCKEY AND WRESTLING

#### WOMEN'S FIELD HOCKEY

Since the launch of the flexible funded/servicing model there have been two CIS/FHC Field Hockey Championships (November 2006 and November 2007). The following will serve as a brief report.

#### **Background:**

This model is a result of CIS and Field Hockey Canada collaborating to continue to provide playing opportunities in the sport of Field Hockey. This includes serving the high performance needs of the student athletes of CIS member schools and the Canadian National Team. The CIS championship, and lead up preparation, is one of the pillars of the FHC high performance delivery system for women's field hockey.

#### **Details of the model:**

- ▶ Championship is comprised of CIS teams only.
- ▶ CIS current eligibility rules are in effect.
- ▶ The tournament is the property of FHC and is technically managed by FHC.
- ▶ The expenses of the technical officials, on the field and at the technical table, are covered by FHC
- ▶ The Championship is a 5-team tournament, round robin, with 2 Ontario teams, 2 Canada West teams and a host entry. The AUS teams may enter the tournament through participation in the OUA championship.
- ▶ The hosting responsibilities rotate annually between CW and OUA.
- ▶ The championship is held the first weekend of November.
- ▶ The universities pay their own way to the tournament and the traveling teams receive some reimbursement from FHC (FHC contributes \$15,000 to a travel pool.)
- ▶ If a team from the AUS travels to the OUA competition, the AUS team receives a \$2000 additional grant.
- ▶ Universities participating in Field Hockey pay a sport participation fee.
- ▶ CIS provides medals, and CIS banners for the CIS Champions.
- ▶ All CIS standard championship awards are recognized in this sport and celebrated at an awards recognition event. Also includes Academic All-Canadian status, option of nominating for BLG Awards, etc.
- ▶ Field Hockey scoring leaders, regular season results and conference standings are included on the CIS website. There is however no Top 10.
- ▶ CIS produces championship preview releases as well as awards announcements etc. as per all other CIS Championships. Website is updated and maintained as per all other CIS sports.
- ▶ CIS delegate attends the Championship.

#### **Update on New Initiatives:**

There were several new initiatives created as part of this model. Below is a progress report on these initiatives:

- a) The University coaches would receive coaching development education from the FHC national and high performance coaches.

*Over the past 3 years, the CIS coaches have been invited and attended the identification camps and junior camps held in their respective areas. This provided the opportunity for CIS coaches to interact directly with the national team coaching staff. Further, at 2 of the 3 events, head coach Sally Bell held an educational seminar at the championships for both participating and non participating coaches. The primary focus of these was the latest international event and the key areas of preparation for the national team in preparation for this event.*

- b) The University coaches would provide spring technical assistance to the 'junior aged' (14-17year olds) athletes in their locales, thus enhancing the coaching and identification for the high performance stream and increasing profile for their schools. The PSO's would host a small tournament for the culmination of this component.

*This has been accomplished in varying degrees. The 3 programs with the greatest success are U of Guelph, U of Alberta and U of Western Ontario where they have been successful in creating junior programs with*

*competing junior teams in their areas. At both UBC and UVic, the PSO has very strong junior programming in those cities so the CIS coaches there contribute through player and coaching clinics for high schools and junior clubs. Toronto and York both operate camps and these coaches provide clinics to high schools. U of T is starting an academy program this spring that will operate as a house league program for juniors in the downtown area. The coaches at St. Marys and UPEI are involved in the junior provincial programs in their provinces. FHO and FHBC provide leagues and tournaments for the junior aged players.*

c) The University coaches will do some additional fundraising to assist in the overall presentation of the Championship.

*FHC has presented to the coaches a proposal to consider re: athlete contribution...the teams could fund raise this quite easily I think considering some of the schools manage trips to Europe and Australia. As well there seemed to be quite a bit of commitment for FISU at \$3000 to \$4000/athlete so finding \$30 or \$40/athlete for the Championship shouldn't be an issue by the CIS Coaches.*

d) FHC will expand their Terms of Reference for their Women's High Performance Legacy Trust Fund endowment, to include the staging of this Championship.

*FHC did approach the Women's Trust Fund but nothing has been decided yet. The Board is looking at various different endowment funds and if these materialize the CIS would likely be one of them*

e) Key FHC/CIS individuals will fundraise into this endowment with a goal of \$50,000 over the next 3 years.

*We did get a reasonable start however the group is split re: giving between NT and CIS as so many of our NT players have come through the CIS and it takes some time to develop a culture of giving. The best way to secure the Championship over the long term is through an athlete levy of around \$30/year which FHC has proposed to the CIS Coaches Association. A number of the schools in agreement with this model did contribute in 2007 - York and Guelph.*

**General observations:**

Operationally the championship runs very much in the same way as all other CIS Championships. A Championship 3-party agreement is signed between FHC, CIS and the Host, checklists are provided along with the necessary appendices, templates, administrative support documents, etc. One difference is the officials are selected, monitored and expenses covered by FHC. There was a change made recently to ensure the CIS Board of Directors endorses the conferences Host selection (to ensure the member hosting is a member in good standing). There is confusion from time to time on process around technical aspects of the game. For example, the 2007 Host requested to change the type of ball for the championship as the current ball outlined within the playing regulations would not perform well on their newly installed playing surface. This information was shared with FHC and the President of the Coaches Association. Both parties agreed to the change. The information was included in the championship information bulletin. Some coaches were not pleased with this change and expressed concern over process.

## WRESTLING

Since the launch of the flexible funded/servicing model there have been two CIS Wrestling Championships (March 2007 and March 2008). The following will serve as a brief report.

### **Details of the model:**

- ▶ National Championship travel subsidies to participating teams at the Championship provided through the CAWA Wrestling travel pool (up to \$50,000/year). *Actuals used were \$42,000 each of the past two years.*
- ▶ Technical officials are selected and funded by CAWA. Travel arrangements/bookings done by CAWA.
- ▶ CAWA will invest \$45,000/year towards travel for qualifying events for CIS Championships or FISU events.
- ▶ CIS members will pay CIS a participation fee for Wrestling.
- ▶ Wrestling data and statistics are published on CIS website.
- ▶ Championship website provided and maintained by CIS.
- ▶ Championship media releases written by CAWA and issued by CIS and CAWA.
- ▶ Wrestling statistics and accomplishments are compiled by CAWA and captured in a Wrestling chapter in the CIS Almanac.
- ▶ CIS provides medals, and CIS banners for the CIS Champions. Funded by CIS sport specific fee.
- ▶ CIS delegate attends the Championship.
- ▶ All-Canadian and major award winner recognition prepared/monitored by CIS.
- ▶ Wrestling Top 10 recognition continues.
- ▶ CIS continues to handle the selection of Championship hosts.
- ▶ Responsibility for the maintenance of the Playing Regulations shifted to CAWA.
- ▶ CIS Coaches Association meetings and liaison coordinated by CAWA.
- ▶ Existing CIS eligibility rules apply.
- ▶ Wrestling student-athletes continue to be eligible for financial athletic awards, CIS Academic All-Canadian status, CIS Athlete of the Week recognition, and BLG nominations.
- ▶ The Championships will occur in early March / late February each year and be open to CIS member institutions.
- ▶ CIS National Championship Grants from CAWA (\$500 per competitor entered) \$50,000

### **Update on New Initiatives:**

- a) Four additional endowments for newly qualified CIS Wrestling institutions. (\$12,500 / year)  
*There have not been any new CIS wrestling programs initiated since the beginning of the current model. In fact, we lost Manitoba due to circumstances best explained by them. In any case, this is an ongoing priority and we hope to have a couple of breakthroughs in Nova Scotia and BC in the not too distant future.*
- b) CAWA has also set aside up to \$80,000 to purchase wrestling mats for new university programs which make a commitment to entering the CIS in the next year. These funds were a one-time opportunity (March 2005)  
*Four universities that did not receive training centre (high performance or development) status and funding were deemed to qualify for this one time opportunity. As a result we were able to purchase mats for: Memorial, McGill, Toronto and Queens.*
- c) CAWA will continue to offer coaching support through its Coaching Endowment Program.  
*We have structured endowments at six universities and have two more that will be done this month. Already endowed are; Simon Fraser, Brock, McMaster, Concordia, Guelph and Western. Pending are; Alberta and New Brunswick. We have set aside matching funds for Calgary, Saskatchewan, Regina and Lakehead but they have not been able to develop their portion of the funds to date.*

### **General Observations:**

Operationally the championship runs very much in the same way as all other CIS Championships. A Championship 3-party agreement is signed between CAWA, CIS and the Host, checklists are provided along with the necessary appendices, templates, administrative support documents, etc. One difference is the officials are selected, monitored and expenses covered by CAWA. Additional Hosts seem to receive the required support necessary from CAWA to ensure a well run championship. There should however be a more clearly defined communication plan between CIS Coaches Association, CAWA and CIS decision makers.

**General Comments from CAWA:**

*1. The CIS coaching has improved and expanded over the past few years. There are, however, programs where the coach is long serving and their succession has not yet been planned. We need to get some younger assistants into the system to deal with that reality.*

*2. The size of the CIS Nationals, from the CAWA perspective, is too small. Having eight per weight class is too limiting. Having said that, there are certain CIS Wrestling Coaches that continue to want to keep the event at that size to give their wrestlers a greater chance at a medal performance which plays to their position at their university. Internally, we are trying to change this mindset as it is the antithesis of high performance which is where the CIS is in our LTAD.*

*3. The quality of women's wrestling in Canada has been greatly enhanced and enabled by the CIS. There is no question that our education based system puts us ahead of numerous other countries that don't have such a competition system.*

*We appreciate the relationship that we have with the CIS and value the commitment of those institutions that support wrestling. We hope we can convince more to take on a program.*

Greg Mathieu  
Executive Director, CAWA

## ANNEX E

### DRAFT 1 – COMMISSIONERS

Several Coaches Associations have discussed the use of Commissioners to assist their Association in longer term projects and in the growth and development of their sport.

The following is being developed to provide parameters to assist with the operationalizing of this.

#### **Background information:**

- ▶ Coaches Associations are sub-committees of Sport Committee – a CIS Committee. See Policy 80.40.10.1. and 80.40.10.2
- ▶ Coaches Associations considering the hiring of a Commissioner must review the Human resource policy of CIS.
- ▶ CIS Policy 70.20.3.4 – Casual Positions and Term Contract and Interim Leave Positions states:
  - The decision to hire will be determined by the Chief Executive Officer
  - The Selection Committee will be determined by the Chief Executive Officer.

#### **Process:**

Coaches Association wishing to hire a Commissioner will need to provide the following to the CIS Office and approval from Sport Committee:

- a) A current budget and expected compensation for the new position. Note: \$500 or more requires a T4A be filed.
- b) Contracts will be for one year only.
- c) Must be an open call for interested applicants.
- d) A job description outlining expected deliverables.

Only

#### **Job Description:**

A sample job description could include some, or all, of the following tasks:

- ▶ Report regularly to the executive of the Coaches Association and Sport Committee through Manager, Events & Programs
- ▶ **Coordinate Coaches Association meeting, chair meetings, minutes, detailed rationale for motions.**
- ▶ Work with the National Sport Organization to
  - Familiarize themselves with the Long Term Athlete Development model and provide recommendation to strengthen linkages between LTAD and CIS.
  - Provide recommendation to strengthen partnership in the area of official development
  - Investigate other opportunities to strengthen partnership.
- ▶ Coordinate efforts around FISU – World University Games/World University Championships. Includes:
  - Coordination of coaching staff selection process.
  - Coordination of team selection.
  - Coordination of training camps.
  - Monitoring of budget.
  - Provide administrative support to CIS Office re registration and travel.
- ▶ Assist with the production of minutes from Coaches Association meetings ensuring proper rationale is included for all motions moving forward on vote sheets.
- ▶ Coordination of Sport Congresses.

## **ANNEX F**

### **Revised Proposal for Expanded National Championship Format (Revised May 15, 2008) 12 teams / 3 Regionals**

Attached is a revised edition of the 12-team proposal based on feedback received from Sport Committee.

- a) We have made minor adjustments to the structure of the regionals based on Sport Committee's feedback regarding fairness. It is the best possible given that we wanted to avoid an all-Ontario or all-Canada West match in the first round of any regional.
- b) The added expense is will hopefully be offset by the revenue opportunities that present themselves in terms of marketing, sponsorship and ticket sales if you are fortunate enough to host a regional. It is our hope that this investment will ultimately grow the game and profile of CIS basketball and therefore enhance the revenue opportunities both short and long term.
- c) Flight inventory could be addressed with any airline agreement that CIS may have. We do have some advance predictability from certain centres. An Ontario team will be travelling for example to Canada West so advance booking of the Toronto - Calgary portion would be prudent and the reverse as well where possible.
- d) Time away from school is a reality for the entire CIS. In some cases, a move to this format may actually reduce the time away as it is our assumption that some associations may move to a tournament format for their playoffs thereby reducing the total number of weekends of playoff play. We also make the assumption that regional associations will harmonize their schedules to properly fit with any changes at a national level.

James Hillis, President, NABCC

**Revised Proposal for  
Expanded National Championship Format  
(Revised May 15, 2008)  
12 teams / 3 Regionals**

**Rationale:** This proposal preserves the Final 8 National Championship format. It maintains the integrity of the conference (Regional Association) championships as the conference champion is granted an automatic berth to the Final 8. Maintaining the Final 8 format allows the financial guarantee model currently utilized for the Men's Basketball Championships to remain in place. The regional format also allows for television coverage of conference finals and regional finals in the weeks prior to the Final 8 as a build-up to that event. The regional format maintains a solid competitive structure while allowing for increased marketing and exposure of the national championship into markets which may never host a Men's basketball championship due to the size of the financial guarantee. The three regional hosts have a limited guarantee obligation built in to help offset costs of traveling teams. Travel pool was discussed but felt that that decision may lie with Sport Committee, the Athletic Directors, or the delegates at the AGM.

8-team Championship, which includes 4 conference champions and a host for (Carleton) for 2009-2010 season.

Host plus 4 regional association in Final 8 (5 teams).

3 regionals will be played which will determine the final three teams for the tournament. These games will be played the week prior to the championship.

12 team regional conference breakdowns are based on a proportioned number of teams within a regional association compared to the total number of teams in the country.

Ontario - 16 teams (1 regional association winner and 5 entries into regionals)

Canada West - 14 teams (1 regional association winner and 4 entries into regionals)

Quebec - 5 teams (1 regional association winner and 1 entry into regionals)

Atlantic Canada - 8 teams (1 regional association winner and 2 entries into regionals)

***Summary of entries into 3 regionals:***

***Canada West - 4 teams***

***Ontario - 5 teams***

***Quebec - 1 team***

***Atlantic Canada - 2 teams***

Placement of teams determined by travel in relation to where you finish  
(Seed 1 plays seed 4 / Seed 2 plays seed 3)

**West Region (seeded in order)**

-Hosted by Canada West Finalist 1

- Quebec 1 or (Atlantic 2 when regional hosted by Quebec)
- Ontario 3
- Ontario 5

**Ontario Regional (seeded in order)**

-Hosted by Ontario finalist 1

- Canada West 2
- Atlantic Canada 2
- Canada West 4

**Eastern Regional (seeded in order)**

-Hosted by Atlantic finalist every two year of a three year rotation and hosted by Quebec finalist every third year.

Atlantic or Quebec Finalist 1

- Ontario 2
- Canada West 3
- Ontario 4

AUDIT of each regional looks like this in terms of team placement

WEST Regional – 1,1,3,5

ONTARIO Regional - 1,2,2,4

EAST Regional - 1,2,3,4



## ANNEX G

### UPDATE ON WOMEN'S BASKETBALL PROPOSAL

Action items required following the June 2007 AGM approval of framework.

**1. Seedings:** The Women's Basketball Coaches Association was asked to put together a document which would outline how the seedings will be done. Requires Sport Committee approval. June 2008

**Update:** Two requests were sent to the President of the Coaches Association. No proposal received.

**2. Championship Name:** Michel Belanger & Coaches Association executive to come up with suggestions for name and phraseology around round 1, final 4, etc.

**Update:**

**3. Championship Calendar:** Sport Committee to re-look at overall championship calendar to reflect changes to the Women's Basketball proposal.

**Update:** Sport Committee reviewed the calendar at their April 2008 meeting. No changes required. Having anticipated the new championship model for women's basketball the approved championship calendar (to be phased on by 2010) has the Women's Basketball Final 4 Championship on Week 4.

**4. Expansions:** Sheila-Ann to manage expectations of other Coaches Associations around expansion.

**Update:** Sport Committee has entertained new proposals from W Rugby (not-supported) and M Basketball (initial support). Coaches Association are being advised of the review of policy 20.20 (includes championship berths) that will be conducted over the next 12 months. Any additional requests for expansions would be considered as part of this review process.

**5. Build an audience for women's basketball:** Look to broadcast one or two quality rivalry games each year in January/February in the years leading up to 2010.

**Update:** Due to changes at The Score CIS was unsuccessful in 2008 with lead up games to the championship. Will attempt to ensure additional broadcasts leading up to the 2009 championship.

**6. Marketings/Sales Position:** Develop terms of reference for request (scope of work).

**Update:** Waiting on membership approval of the new championship sponsorship proposal. This will impact the hiring of a new marketing person or a re-organization of current staff responsibilities.

**7. Championship Hosts:** Update bid book to reflect new ways in which this championship will be selected.

**Update:** CIS will sole source the hosts in years 1 and 2 and then move to a bidder in year 3. CIS is close to finalizing a host for year 1 (FALL 2008)