

## NEOAA Annual General Meeting Minutes

Tuesday April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Dante Club, Timmins

1. Roll Call was taken and introductions were made.

In attendance: Sue Curry TDSS, Sheila Siermachesky TDSS, Joel Sharp TDSS, Anita Anderson EHS, Colette Carter KLDCS, Larry McKay KDLCS, Eric Lefebvre ESCSM, Francois Brassard ECJV, Carolyn Olaveson RMSS, Mike Polowy RMSS, John Elliott TH&VS, Kris Koskela TH&VS, Marcy McCarty OHS, Claude Lapointe REN, Pat Durepos ESCT, Rene Roy ESA, Sheri Deneault IFSS, Josh Clark IFSS, Don McRobert ESCHS, Simon Martel ECGV, Jim Johnson KDHS, Sheldon Belanger KDHS

2. President Doug Basso was unable to attend. Vice President James Johnson was designated as chair and brought greetings from the President.
3. Don McRobert (North), Larry McKay (South), and Marcy McCarty (Central) were appointed to the Steering Committee.
4. Adoption of the 2016 Annual Meeting Minutes- John Elliott & Eric Lefebvre
5. There was no business arising from 2016 Annual Meeting Minutes
6. There was no business arising from 2016 (Nov) Head's Meeting Minutes-
7. Secretary Report: Thank you to those that have put a lots of time preparing motions for this meeting. If there are any changes to the directory contact information for your school please forward them. Thank you for completing the OFSAA participation surveys this fall and winter. Schools that have not done so are asked to complete them as soon as possible. Please send NEOAA results and photos to Martin Breault at ESCSM to be put on website.
8. Treasures Report: NEOAA Balance \$7096.08. A few outstanding school fees & medal fees that Kris will follow up with. Kris is looking for input as to whether or not we should get colour added to our NEOAA medals.
9. Principals Report: A few principal were looking for some clarification towards NEOAAs Inclement Weather Policy. There were a few championships this year that were played on inclement weather days and some administration was unsure as to who's responsibility it is to make final decisions as to whether or not a championship will go as scheduled. The constitution states that it is up to the Principal and the PE head at the school to make the decision. We discuss that it is hard to cover every scenario that may arise in the constitution. It was mentioned that there

should never be pressure for anyone to travel and that if any one team cannot make the championship will be rescheduled.

10. OFSAA BUSINESS:

There are several motions being presented at the OFSAA AGM and discussions were held to see if NEOAA is in favour of the motions.

- a) OFSAA will implement a new Transgender policy- In favour
- b) Track & Field and Cross Country may need to have a club and high school trained division. This will impact how everyone runs championships- In favour of an exemption to this rule OR adding club trained only to senior division
- c) There is a proposal to change the distances in cross country midgets will run 4km, juniors will run 5km and seniors will run 6km. This is to promote gender equity- In favour
- d) There is a proposal to decrease the number for swimming team size to 4 from 6- In favour
- e) There is a motion to decrease the classification numbers to A= 450 + 100 – In favour

11. The following items were moved to the Scheduling- Selection of conveners, updating rotational order and divisional agreements.

12. NOTICES OF MOTION:

By Laws

1. (no grade 8's in competition)- Carried
2. (elite sports transfers) - Carried

Playing Regulations

Curling

1. (attend 3 bonspiels) – Defeated
2. (max 3 games/day) – Carried

Boys Hockey

1. (no elite hockey players) – Tabled
2. (straight time after 5 goal spread) – Carried
3. (add mouth guards) –Carried

Girls Hockey

1. (length of periods)- Defeated

Soccer

1. (NEOAA & OFSAA rules) - Withdrawn

Boys Volleyball

1. (Tie break)- Carried

Girls Volleyball

1. (Tie break)- Carried

Boys & Girls Volleyball

1. (notification of officials being used) – Withdrawn
2. (convener distribute new rules) – Carried

Playing Regulations - Championship structure

Boys Basketball

1. (Championship structure)- Tabled

Girls Basketball

1. (Championship structure)- Tabled

Boys Hockey

1. (Championship structure)- Carried

Girls Hockey

1. (Championship structure)- Defeated
2. (Tie break/OT) -Carried

Boys Soccer

1. (Championship in fall) - Tabled  
(Championship structure)- Tabled

Girls Soccer

1. (Championship structure)- Tabled

Boys Volleyball

- 1-5 (Championship structure)- Defeated

Girls Volleyball

- 1-5 (Championship structure)- Withdrawn

13. NEOAA Officers for 2017-19 were selected.

14. Transfers: There have been 47 transfers to date. Process seems to be working well. Need to have paperwork of some kind for returning elite level athletes.

15. Conveners Reports:

Boys Basketball-

There were several games that were rescheduled without approval of the convener which caused chaos at the end of the season as some important games had not been played. Difficulty finding officials has been an issue in some areas.

NEOAA Champions- JR- OHS, SR A- OHS, SR AA- THVS

Girls Volleyball- No issues. NEOAA Champions- JR-THVS, SR A-TDSS, SR AA- TH&VS

Nordic Skiing- No issues. Participating schools were THVS, TDSS, ESCT, ESCSM, EHS

Notable OFSAA Championship results -Junior girl Kristen Kornel placed 2<sup>nd</sup> , Senior boy Isaac

Rondeu-McNair placed 7<sup>th</sup>, Senior Girl Hannah Story-Korman placed 8<sup>th</sup>, Caelen Flannigan placed 1<sup>st</sup> in the para-sit ski.

Curling-

Held in Kirkland Lake. Dates in calendar need to be a bit more flexible due to ice availability. 6 Boys teams and 5 Girls teams. NEOAA Champions- Boys-Cite, Girls-TDSS

Wrestling- No issues. REN, ESCT & OHS participating. Ashley Gravelle from REN won The Antique Bronze at OFSAA. Timmins Wrestling is willing to offer coaching workshops and Help with mats in order to help grow the sport.

Swimming- No issues. ESCT, THVS, OHS, Cite, NR, KDHS all had teams at NEOAA. Coaches are asked to enter athletes as exhibition if they are not sending them on to OFSAA.

Boys Hockey- No issues. Hearst went on to represented NEOAA at the A/AA OFSAA.

Girls Hockey- One team dropped out part way through due to commitment with players. ESCT was NEOAA Champion. Recommendation that the NEOAA Championship be a two day round robin format.

16. Eric Lefebvre, Claude Lapointe and Marcy McCarty will provide their respective boards 2017-2018 calendars to Anita as soon as possible.
17. Pat mentioned we should attempt to get as much media coverage as possible for NEOAA. The local media is very open to give us more coverage. It was decided that everyone should endeavor to send schedules/results/photos to Martin Breault for the website and that the website address be distributed to the media.
18. Conveners found it difficult to schedule girls hockey around volleyball. Hockey conveners ask that if possible volleyball schedules from North, Central & South can be played on same days.
19. Order forms for basketball and soccer score sheets should be returned to Kris.
20. Pete Beach: NEOAA is proud to announce that Darlene Polowy is NEOAA's 2017 Pete Beach Award winner. Congratulations to Darlene!
21. New Business: -
  - a) There are new Legion Track events for younger age groups
  - b) Marcy discuss possibility of having someone responsible for booking rooms for all OFSAA Championships
22. Adjourn- Motion to adjourn by Marcy McCarty & Joel Sharp