

NEOAA Annual General Meeting Minutes

Thursday April 26th, 2018

Dante Club, Timmins

1. Roll Call was taken and introductions were made.

In attendance: Joel Sharp TDSS, Anita Anderson EHS, Colette Carter KLDCS, Eric Lefebvre ESCSM, Carolyn Olaveson RMSS, Mike Polowy RMSS, John Elliott TH&VS, Marcy McCarty OHS, Doug Basso OHS, Claude Lapointe REN, Pat Durepos ESCT, Sheri Deneault IFSS, Josh Clark IFSS, Dan Dube ESA, Don McRobert ESCHS, Francis Ethier JN, Simon Martel ECGV, Jason Lauzon CITE, Jim Johnson KDHS, Sheldon Belanger KDHS, Melissa Stewart ECHO, Brian Leger HEARST, Lisa Morin HEARS

2. President Doug Basso welcomed everyone. He highlighted importance of tackling the problem of shrinking schools in NEOAA. Doug pointed out the need to look at realign our playing regulations as well. He also mentioned OFSAA initiatives such as looking at new sports to offer and improving coach recognition.
3. Don McRobert (ESCHS), Dan Dube (ESA), and Marcy McCarty (Central) were appointed to the Steering Committee.
4. Adoption of the 2017 Annual Meeting Minutes- Marcy McCarty & Carolyn Olaveson
5. There was no business arising from 2017 Annual Meeting Minutes
6. There was no business arising from 2017 (Nov) Head's Meeting Minutes
7. Secretary Report: Please send initial transfer paperwork to Doug. He will forward it to committee. Reminder to use NEOAA website. All important information is on the website. Please consider attending the OFSAA CONFERENCE May 10 & 11th. Lots of good sessions and certifications for coaches. Also information on safety and issues in sports.
8. Treasures Report: No report
9. Principals Report: Sheila wanted it know that she would not be putting her name forward for the next election of principals representative. Please ask if there is interest at your school.
10. OFSAA BUSINESS:
There were two motions presented at the OFSAA AGM that where of note for NEOAA:
 - a) Body contact will remain in OFSAA Hockey
 - b) Golf will continue to have an Open and High School division

There was a lot of discussion about how the passing of Rowan's Law regarding concussions will effect OFSAA. OFSAA has formulated a new strategic plan. One part of this is to look at other sports that OFSAA could offer that would increase student participation in sports.

12. * motions 13-25 have no seconder and can not be voted on as submitted.

NOTICES OF MOTION:

APPENDIX-

1. (updating gender equity policy)- Carried
2. (concussion -return to play guidelines) - Carried

PLAYING REGULATIONS-

BOYS BASKETBALL

3. (Championship format) *amendment – carried

GIRLS BASKETBALL

3. (Championship format) *amendment – carried

GIRLS HOCKEY

4. (increasing period length to 15min) - carried
5. (Championship format-aligning girls with boys) *amended - carried
6. (proposal to have a south and north loop) - withdrawn

BOYS & GIRLS SOCCER

- 7 & 8 – Packaged- (Championship format for boys & girls) *amended – carried

VOTING PROCEDURE

9. (voting procedure) *ammended– carried

CURLING

10. (minimum requirements for games) – defeated
11. (tie break procedure) – carried

BOYS HOCKEY

12. (tie break procedure) *amended - carried

13. NEOAA Conveners for the 2018-19 season were selected. Conveners still required for Swimming (head), Cross country running (head), Nordic skiing (head), south & north curling
14. Transfers: There have been 57 transfers to date. Process seems to be working well. Several for elite level athletes that have returned.
14. Divisional Agreement forms were distributed and conveners are asked to have them prepared for scheduling meeting.

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. This had wild card implications. Suggestion of a form that be filled out to indicate teams are interested in wild cards and need to submit all game scores.

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

Girls Volleyball- No Report

Curling-

Number of teams has grown to 9 Boys teams and 7 Girls teams. NEOAA Champions- Boys-TDSS Girls-TDSS. Championship went well. Still issues with schools running bona fide programs as well as with teams playing very few games which makes seeding difficult. Players are reminded that commercial/club clothing is not allowed.

Nordic Skiing- No issues. Participating schools were THVS, TDSS, ESCT, ESCSM, EHS, RMSS Challenge to meet 12 practices and 2 raced due to weather and school breaks. Suggestion was made to start dryland earlier. Convener looking for options to meet 2 race requirement. Continued promotion of multi-school practices as qualified coaches are few.

Wrestling- Only ESCT participating. Melissa Morrish, gr 10 finished in top 8 at OFSAA Some intermediate programs starting which will hopefully eventually bolster high school programs.

Swimming- No issues. REN, ESCT, THVS, OHS, Cite, NR, KDHS all had teams at NEOAA. No issues.

Boys Hockey- No issues. 6 participating schools. Hearst went on to represented NEOAA at the A/AA OFSAA. All fees paid.

Girls Hockey- 7 teams participating. One team dropped out part way through due to commitment with players. ESCT was NEOAA Champion. NEOAA Championship was a round robin format between top 4 teams. ESCT hosted OFSAA and THVS was the second entry.

16. Eric Lefebvre, Claude Lapointe and Doug Basso will provide their respective boards 2018-2019 calendars to Anita as soon as possible.

19. Order forms: Score sheet order forms were distributed and are to be returned to John Elliott

20. Pete Beach: NEOAA is proud to announce that Larry McKay is NEOAA's 2018 Pete Beach Award winner. Congratulations to Larry!

21. New Business: -

a) Motions from floor-

PLAYING REGULATIONS-

BADMINTON

1) (Aligning wording to include Open and High school trained)- carried

b) Legion Track information was distributed

22. Adjourn- Motion to adjourn by John Elliott & Don McRobert