

Date: **April 29, 2014**
Location: **Strathmore Civic Centre**
Attendance: **62**

1.0 Called to Order: 10:18am by Sandy Green
1.1 Adoption of Agenda Ken Payne – Geo. Mac Dougall
Seconded by Mike Sera - Bert Church
Amendments – Hy-tek in-service to occur during the lunch break

1.2 President's Remarks – Sandy Green
Thanks for a great first half of the year. No real problems. Sandy was happy to report that our zone proved very successful at the provincial level. Keep up the good work!

1.3 Remarks from ASAA – John Paton
ASAA to South Central, Spring 2014

Here are a few notes, upcoming deadlines & initiatives from the ASAA office:

Deadlines:	May 1	Rugby Opt-up and registration deadline
	May 15	Track and Field Registration deadline
	June 1	Football Declaration by Leagues
	June 15	Golf Declaration by Zones
	June 30	Never Stop Milk Scholarship
	June 30	Lorne Wood Award (Administrator, supports athletics)
	Oct 1	Zone Award of merit

Notice of Motion: By April 17, all Notices of Motion were on the ASAA website. Please review to see if there is any impact on your sport. Your representatives vote on behalf of your zone on Notices of Motion at ASAA AGM; give them your input on the Notices of Motion.

Basketball Rankings: I want to thank Michael Sera, Nathan Hodgson and Rick Haines for being basketball rankers again this year. A very time consuming and often thankless job, but greatly appreciated by the ASAA. Every year always brings new and interesting challenges, but the knowledge that the rankers bring to the table always help to make the ranking season a smooth one.

Provincials: Congratulations to Strathmore High on their 3A/4A Boys Team Championship, Hugh Sutherland on their 1A/2A Girls Team Championship and Cochrane High on their 3A/4A Girls Team Championship at Golf Provincials, Strathcona-Tweedsmuir on their 2A School Team Championship at Cross Country, Acme on their 1A Girls Championship and Rosemary on their 1A Boys Sportsmanship at the 50th Anniversary Volleyball Championship, Olds High on their Girls 3A Team Championship at Rural Wrestling, Strathmore Boys for their Sportsmanship award at Curling and Rosemary on their 1A Boys Basketball Championship, Chestermere on their 3A Boys Basketball Championship.



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Thanks go out to Didsbury High for hosting Basketball Provincials this past March and to Strathmore High for Rugby in June.

Online Coach Courses:

- SchoolCoach.ca rebranding has happened and an accreditation program launched
- Volleyball and Basketball courses in the works
- Updating Fundamental of Coaching so it will look better, and work on iPads as well as an update to Course Content
- Reminder that Coaches need to complete Concussion Course for all team handball, badminton, rugby and track.
- We will be checking before provincials and it is now a required field when you submit your Registrations for Provincials. The Course Completion Code is also required for team registration page in ExNet.
- \$50 ASRPWF Rebate for taking Courses: The Alberta Coach Education Voucher is back for another year thanks to the Alberta Sport Connection. This rebate is limited to the first 50 applicants and is now valid towards cost of all PAID courses, not just Fundamentals of Coaching as it was in the past. Check ASAA.ca or email michael@asaa.ca for more info.

ASAA Zone Award of Merit: Each zone is given the chance to nominate someone for their outstanding efforts in support of high school athletics. Please send your nominations in to your Zone Secretary ASAP. Nomination forms are available on the ASAA website and are due October 1.

Athletic Director Initiatives: Some outstanding initiatives from the AIAAA include:

1. AIAAA Conference June 19-21 in Calgary. You are encouraged to attend this excellent professional development opportunity. Courses taken can be applied towards a TQS recognized Masters Degree program at Indiana State University.
2. AIAAA Courses now being offered via webinar: 2 evenings of two hours.
3. Visit www.ciaaa.ca for information or Contact Tyler with any questions on any of the above initiatives: tyler@aiaaa.ca

Scholarship:

Utilizing profit from the 50th volleyball championship, the ASAA Executive is creating a scholarship fund for student athletes who give back as coaches or officials while still at school. Further information will follow. Long term goals have been set.

SUBWAY:

The ASAA has been working with SUBWAY on a peel and stick program that will involve providing cards with a value of \$70 to schools for a cost of \$2 that they can sell for \$10. An easy fundraiser for school athletic programs. Information to follow.

Junior High Survey:

A survey has been distributed to understand current pressures and opportunities in junior high school athletics. Survey results will be distributed at a later date; the survey was recently launched.

ASAA Executive Positions 2014/15: We encourage your involvement in the management of the ASAA by serving on the ASAA Executive Committee. In May 2014, the following positions are up for election: Vice President (4 year term – 1 as VP then 2 as President, 1 as past-president), Athletic Director (3 year term). In addition, the Boys Basketball Commissioner term will be up for re-election.

ASAA News, Information, Minutes: Please review the ASAA website regularly as we regularly post information of value to schools and students, most recently free coaching courses and scholarship, leadership, or camp opportunities, for students. Executive Minutes are under the “meetings” section.

ASAA Staff: Michelle comes back to the office on May 1 after a year’s maternity leave. Fiona leaves the same day. Cori left us for a full time position (she was part time with ASAA) on April 25. We will hire a replacement in due course.

Best wishes for the remainder of the 2013/14 school year, from the ASAA Executive and Staff

1.4 Adoption of minutes – Shane Hansen – Beiseker
Seconded Tricia McCambly- Hugh Sutherland
All in favour

2.0 Business arising from the minutes

2.1 T & F implement purchasing will be completed this week and be available for zones. Do we still want to make these purchases? Members agreed that it would be better to rent the equipment from the Calgary Track Council for our Zone championships, instead of purchasing and storing equipment for the zone. Discussion on what to spend our provincial T & F monies on included the following.

Move that we earmark \$6000 for rental of track equipment for zone meets.
Jaret Hofer - Brooks Jr.
Seconded Tricia McCambly

Amendment: To use Provincial T & F fees to cover any excess cost of rentals for Jr. and Sr. high meets. Jaret Hofer –Brooks Jr.
Seconded Tricia McCambly –Hugh Sutherland
Withdrawn

Move that South Central zone cover the cost of any overage of rental of equipment for Jr. High and Sr. High track and field.
Jaret Hofer -Brooks Jr.
Seconded: Tricia McCambly: Hugh Sutherland
All in favour

2.2 Provincial Cross Country 2013 will be hosted by Strathcona Tweedsmuir!
Thank you STS!!

3.0 Reading of Communications

3.1 Services requested for the running of T & F zones offered by Doug Lamont and the U. of C. crew – Ask Foothills Comp. & Crowther Memorial, as they are the host schools for 2014.

3.2 New School to join South Central Zone – Christ the King Academy in Brooks. A middle school classification based out of the St. Joseph's Collegiate building.

3.3 Noted by Don Yavis, Morrin School that once zone dates are set, they must remain on those dates. The only exception being golf and curling as facility availability is an issue. We need to avoid zone championships occurring on two days during the week. (Ex. Thursday and Friday) Awareness of increased costs for schools, community coaches, students missing more school for the Thursday – Friday tournaments needs to be avoided.

3.4 2A ASAA Basketball Proposal was taken to small group discussion. Any ideas will be sent to Rick Haines in Hanna.

4.0 Financial Report

Moved Shane Hansen – Beiseker

Seconded Don Yavis

All in Favor

Next year the Junior High Registration process will be an on-line form. Please go to the South Central Zone website under registrations. All registrations and fees will be due on September 30. On-line payment is in the process and hopefully will be up and running by September.

5.0 Selection of Delegates to the Spring AGM (May 8 &9) Nathan Hodgson, Bassano and Bruce O'Neil, Cochrane

6.0 NOM SCZ

Notice of Motion 6.1

Submitted by Kyle Larson, Strathmore High School

Badminton zone rotation:

To re-instate the notice of motion for badminton as was unanimously passed at the Fall 2009 meeting. With an addendum that the communities listed have help from the schools in their division.

Rational:

The original intent of the notice of motion from the 2009 executive was to have divisions host badminton that had facilities and the capability to host with the assistance of the entire division. High River was not included in the original notice of motion but requested the chance to host. Rockyview was

given 2 sites as they had 6 3A or larger schools within their division in Airdrie and Cochrane.

Issues with the Fall 2012 Notice of Motion:

If the new rotation as voted on at the fall meeting in 2012 continues what communities in Rangeland will have the capacity to host the zone event to an acceptable level for the badminton coaches in the zone?

Wheatland only has the capability to host in Strathmore!

Grasslands only has the capability to host in Brooks!

Chinooks Edge only has the capability to host in Olds!

Current:

Badminton zone hosts are rotated according to the following:

2011 Foothills

2012 Rockyview

2013 Chinook's Edge South

2014 Bow Valley

2015 Three Hills

2016 Grasslands

2017 Wheatland

2018 Rangeland

2019 continue from 2011 rotation...

Note: At any time in rotation if a school/region wishes to replace the responsibilities of a given region in a year and take over the hosting duties then this school/region may do so only if the current listed region approves. This switching of duties does not replace the rotation and may create a region having double the duties (but this would be the region's choice).

The following is the badminton rotation from Fall 2009

2010 Strathmore

2011 Okotoks

2012 Airdrie

2013 Olds

2014 Cochrane

2015 Canmore

2016 Three Hills

2017 Brooks

2018 High River

The rotation was followed quite closely, with the exception of Cochrane hosting in Airdrie's spot and Cochrane and Olds flip flopping in the last two years.

Here is the up-dated rotation for the next nine (9) years:

2015 Canmore

2016 Three Hills

2017 Brooks

2018 High River

2019 Strathmore

2020 Okotoks

2021 Airdrie
2022 Olds
2023 Cochrane
Moved by Kyle Larson –Strathmore High
Seconded by Wanda Christianson – Olds
For :26
Opposed 0 Carried

6.2 Grade 9 eligibility in 1A schools for zone competition

Nathan Hodgson- Bassano
Seconded: Kyle Larson-Strathmore High

Grade 9 athletes should be allowed to compete in both Jr High zones and High School zones!

Rational

Gr. 9 students in a 1A school should be eligible to play in the Jr. High zone competition and a Sr. High competition. The current zone policy states no, but technically any of those grade 9 students could compete in provincials, so they should then be allowed to compete in zones.

Current:

Athletes can only compete in one zone championship per sport.

The intent of this motion is to play all year with their junior high team and then once the junior high season is over, then they are eligible to play at high school zones and provincials. The athletes still have to follow the other eligibility policy of not playing over 3 Sr. competitions prior to Jr. high zones.

For 12
Opposed:0
Carried

6.3 Zone Defense at the JV and Jr. High basketball levels

Submitted by Foothills School Division

Jeromy Hall – Highwood High

Seconded: Len Judson JC Charyk

Rule Proposal:

All types of zone defenses (1/2, 3/4, and full court) will not be permitted at the south central zone championships for all Jr. High and Junior Varsity basketball teams. Zone “concepts” such as full court scramble and run and jump defense, will be permitted as they are based on fundamental man principles.

Rationale:

Currently Basketball Canada does not allow zone defenses to be played at the U15 National Championships, based on the LTAD basketball model. The model suggests that zone “concepts” be introduced around age 15, but actual zone defenses

in further developmental years. If the best players in Canada are following this type of sequencing, we should be as well.

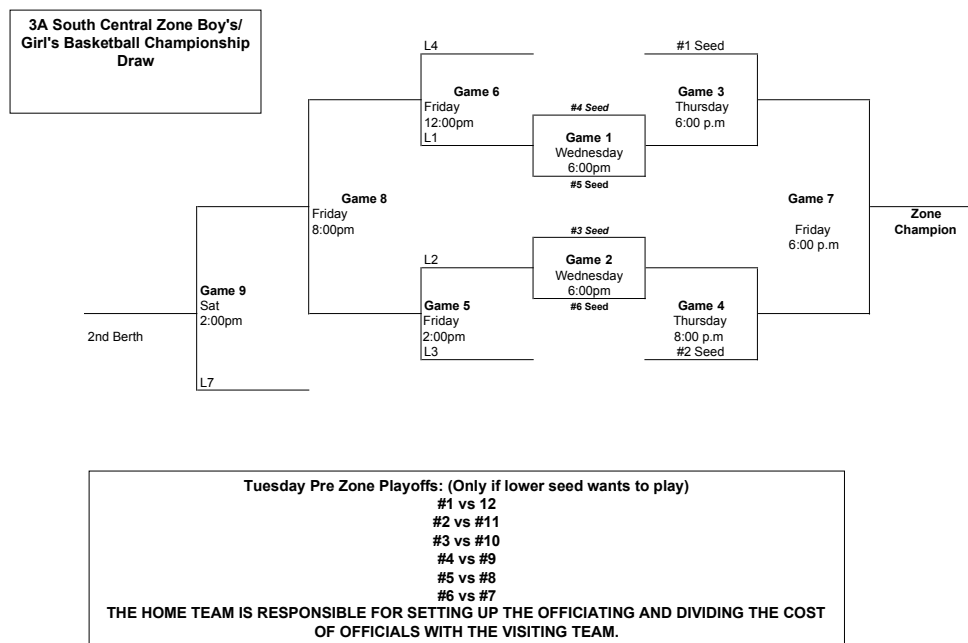
Amended Motion: Remove the JV, leave at Jr. High only
 Jeromy Hall – Highwood
 Seconded- Jerry Flaws – Strathmore
 For: 0
 Opposed 26
 Defeated

6.4 3A Zone Basketball Championships

Submitted by Foothills School Division

Proposal:

The final zone draw will be a 6 team double knockout. Play in games will remain as they are currently, except fewer teams will get a “buy” into the draw.



Rationale:

Every year SC zone earns a second berth to provincials, leaving one team to play either 4 or 5 games in 4 days, not including any play in games. A 6 team draw will reduce the games to either 4 or 5 in 5 days, including all play in games. In the last 10 years, no 7th or 8th seeded team has made it to provincials, and usually just paid \$300 to lose two games. The current 8 team model is sometimes more about

attrition and less about the athletic skills of the competing teams. We want to send the best and healthiest teams to represent SC zone at the provincial championships.

Moved: Jeromy Hall – Highwood

Seconded: Sam Aiello

For:2

Opposed: 8

Defeated

6.5 Notice of Motion #5

Submitted by:

Brian Utley, Girls basketball Commissioner

Sam Aiello, Boys basketball Commissioner

Motion:

Final basketball rankings, for the zone tournament, will be done the Sunday prior to the start of the zone championship tournament. Results of the various league championships will take precedence over provincial rankings.

Rationale:

This will allow the most accurate rankings to make for a fair zone tournament. The rankings can still be done two weeks prior to the tournament, but the final rankings will not be determined until after the league championships. The league championship results will be taken into consideration.

Moved by Sam Aiello –Holy Trinity

Seconded: Mike Sera

For: 3

Opposed 7

Defeated

6.6 Submitted by: Gavin Makse-St. Anthony's School

MOTION:

Motion to include Grade 8 students in Sr. Girls and Boys South Central Zone High School Soccer Championships for 1A schools.

Current Policy:

Grade 9 students are eligible to participate in Sr. Boys and Girls South Central Zone Championships.

RATIONALE:

This motion only involves 1A schools in our zone, which may be just a few schools in total (at most). Some schools do not have enough players from Grade 9-12 to field a team and this motion allows them the opportunity to have Sr. High Soccer teams by using Grade 8's. Our Zone does not recognize a JV or Jr. High Soccer team which does not give these Grade 8's a place to play. In addition, Soccer is not a Provincial event so we can set our own rules within our zone.

Gavin Makse – St. Anthony's
Seconded-Don Yavis – Morrin
For: 10
Opposed 0
Carried

6.7 Jr. High Track & Field Implement Weights
Submitted by: The Grasslands Athletic Association

Current:

	Girls	Boys
Shot Put	4 kg	4 kg
Discus	1 kg	1 kg
Javelin	600 g	600 g

Proposed:

	Girls	Boys
Shot Put	3 kg	4 kg
Discus	1 kg	1 kg
Javelin	500 g	600 g

Rationale: The ASAA has recently changed their implement weights. If we keep the current weights, girls in Jr. High will be throwing an implement that weighs more than a gr. 10 or 11 girl. The weights would be more in line with Athletics Alberta.

Nathan Hodgson – Bassano
Seconded – Micheal Weins – St. Joseph's
For: 35
Opposed:0
Carried

6.8 Badminton Zone banner points
Update the scoring for the Zone Banner (1A, 2A, and 3A/4A)

Currently: one point is awarded to each school for each win. (Based on the Provincial model)

Motion: Award 3 points for a gold medal placement
Award 2 points for a silver medal placement
Award 1 point for a bronze medal placement
OR

Award 4 points for a gold medal placement
Award 3 points for a silver medal placement
Award 2 points for a bronze medal placement
Award 1 point for a 4th place placement

Rationale: Pool play varies greatly with pools of 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 athletes. This creates an inequity in point earning. All schools should have equal opportunity to earn the same number of points for their school.
Schools within districts where there are very few high schools can bring several more players to the zone tournament than schools within districts with several high schools. Having 30 or more athletes compared to 10 or 15 athletes would allow schools to continually win the zone banner year after year simply due to the number of athletes.
This new scoring model will reward the schools with strong players who make the playoffs, not just large numbers of players.

Bruce O'Neil – Cochrane
Seconded: Mike Sera- Bert Church
For:17
Opposed: 0
Carried

6.9 Badminton Championship changed to a 2 day championship
Host the zone tournament over a two – day format.

Motion : Host the singles tournament on Friday (beginning at noon or later)
Host the doubles tournament on Saturday (beginning at 9:00 or later) (or vice versa)
Rationale: Hosting all athletes (often over 300) on one day in one venue is very difficult to manage given the facilities available in most areas. With over 500 round robin games, this makes for a very long day for all people involved. Making athletes wait four hours after their last round robin game until playoffs begin results in very tired and unhappy athletes. This will often result in lower quality matches in the playoffs. This will shorten the overall time students have to wait for matches.

Bruce O'Neil
Seconded: Mike Sera- Bert Church
For: 4
Opposed: 19
Defeated

6.10 Discipline students and/or schools who leave after beginning the badminton tournament for Jr. & Sr. High

Motion: Fine students and/or schools if the athletes leave and forfeit their remaining games. Remove all previous scores from the forfeited team when calculating tie-breaking situations.

Rationale: Organizing and running a tournament is enough work without having to deal with forfeits in the middle of a tournament. Giving a score of 21-0 to a team dramatically changes the points for – points against ratio when calculating tie-breaking situations. Teams should not be penalized for playing a team early in the day before they decide to leave.

Bruce O’Neil- Cochrane

Seconded: Shane Hansen- Beiseker

Amended: Add: Charge school \$50 per team, according to the ASAA handbook. Not including illness or injury incurred during the championship. The coach needs to indicate to the host prior to allowing the athlete to leave in the event of an illness or injury.

For: 31

Opposed: 1

Carried

6.11 Balance the pools, reducing the number of 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 team pools

Motion: Fill in empty positions from missing draws with 3rd and/or 4th place teams from larger school divisions and/or the host school to balance the pools.

Rationale: Balancing the pools will give athletes the opportunity to have more games throughout the day. This will also provide an equal number of games for athletes in each pool. For a school to travel long distances to only play three games is unfair.

Bruce O’Neil

Seconded – Shane Hansen – Beiseker

For:1

Opposed:27

Defeated

6.12 Remove “Sport Specific Schools” from ASAA competition in the SC Zone as per ASAA policy.

Motion: ASAA policy states that “Sport Specific Schools” are not permitted to compete in ASAA sports.

Rationale: “Sport Specific School” Athletes have an unfair advantage over other schools’ athletes because they practice throughout the school year. All other high school athletes must follow the

'season of play' guidelines set out by ASAA. Gymnasium space must be shared with other sports (volleyball, basketball, etc.) and badminton athletes usually get a shorter period of time to practice.

Withdrawn

6.13 Junior High Handbook – Volleyball #6

Submitted by Nathan Hodgson - Bassano

Current

6. Ideally, the tournament will consist of eight teams in two pools of four. At the conclusion of pool play, first place from pool A will play second place from pool B, and second place from pool A will play first place from pool B.

Proposed

6. Ideally, the tournament will consist of eight teams in two pools of four. At the conclusion of pool play the following format will be used:

Game 1	3 rd Pool A	vs.	2 nd Pool B
Game 2	2 nd Pool A	vs.	3 rd Pool B
Game 3	Winner of G1	vs.	1 st Pool A
Game 4	Winner of G2	vs.	1 st Pool B
Game 5	Loser G3	vs.	Loser G4 (Bronze Medal)
Game 6	Winner of G3	vs.	Winner of G4 (Gold Medal)

Rationale:

It follows the high school format. It allows for a more accurate reflection of medal winners, and you don't have to worry about seeding the pools properly, which can be difficult when a lot of Jr. High teams don't play each other within our zone.

Nathan Hodgson - Bassano

Seconded Don Yavis - Morrin

For: 28

Opposed: 1

Carried

7.0 ASAA Notices of Motion

ASAA Notices of Motion were discussed so that our delegates could represent our member's view.

8.0 Hy- Tek Inservice – Kirby Codearre

Kirby helped individuals from areas with representatives during lunch. All areas are expected to send their entries to Doug Lamont through Meet Manager. Kirby will be out "help" line.

9.0 Small Group discussion

Zone Hosts for 2014-15 are posted. Still a few vacancies. Be sure to check to see if your school can host.

10.0 New Business Arising from Small Group Discussions

10.1 – There is a need to know who are the 4J schools, which schools always opt up and what are the entry procedures to opt up?

11.0 Date for Fall meeting – Thursday, September 18, 2014

12.0 Adjournment – Jaret Hofer – Brooks Jr.

Seconded –Ken Payne – George MacDougall