

South Central Zone Spring Meeting Minutes 2019

Date: **May 2, 2019**

Location: **Three Hills Arena - Encana Room**

Attendance: **45**

1.0 Called to Order - 10:04 am by Leigh Bretzlaff

1.1 Adoption of Agenda - no additions or subtractions

Moved: Carrie Westgard - Strathmore

Seconded: Shauna Vaughan – Three Hills

Passed

1.2 President's Remarks - Leigh Bretzlaff

Leigh gave a run down of all the successes the South Central Zone schools had at the provincial level. He thanked everyone for their work in their individual schools and for their work within the zone. Leigh thanked everyone for the commit they make to the student athletes in our zone. Leigh congratulated Micheal Weins on winning the Zone Award of Merit. Leigh then thanked the ASAA for their continued support and thanked Michael Vaughan for his work in taking over the role of secretary/treasurer. It was a very successful year in the SC Zone and everyone in the room had a hand in making it successful.

1.3 Remarks from ASAA

Micheal Steele, the ASAA Sr. Assistant Director, was in attendance and started by congratulating the zone for all their successes and thanked everyone that was involved in hosting a provincial championship this year. He gave the update that School Coach is going to be amalgamated with the Canadian coaching program. He also covered a number of other topics, which can be found at the end of the minutes in Appendix A.

1.4 Adoption of minutes from fall meeting

Moved: Brent Moldrup – Acme

Second: Jeff Messom - DVSS

Passed

2.0 Business arising from minutes

2.1 Boys Soccer Zones still needs a host – moved to small groups

2.2 Confirm contacts for Jr. and Sr. High Track Zones

Ken Terpstra – Junior High

Curtis Cofer – Sr. High

3.0 Reading of Communications

The following information was presented to the membership.

- 3.1 IMPACT Student Leadership Workshop – May 13 & 14, 2019 at Olds College
- 3.2 ASAA Milk Scholarship – deadline June 30, 2019
- 3.3 ASAA Pay It Forward Scholarship – deadline June 30, 2019
- 3.4 Lorne Wood Award Nomination – deadline June 30, 2019
- 3.5 Vacancies at ASAA – Director of Athletics, Golf, Girls Basketball, Boys Rugby & X-Country

4.0 Financial Report

Moved: Ron Davies – J.C. Charyk
Seconded: Carrie Westgard - Strathmore
Passed

5.0 Selection of Delegates to the ASAA AGM (May 9 & 10 in Leduc)

Leigh Bretzlaff - Oilfields, Michael Vaughan - Three Hills and Michael Sera – Bert Church

6.0 New Business

6.1 Committee to adjudicate SC Zone Pay It Forward Scholarship
Michael Vaughan (Three Hills), Nathan Hodgson (Bassano) & Leigh Bretzlaff (Oilfields)

6.2 Election of President (Sr. High AD) and Vice-President (Jr. High AD)
Leigh Bretzlaff was acclaimed as president and Brad Huntley was acclaimed as vice-president.

6.3 New Forms online for tournament zone championship reports and Jr. High
Registration will be posted on the website

6.4 Discussion about spring meeting date if ASAA moves AGM to June. It was decided that we still want to keep the zone spring date at end of April or early May.

6.5 New AD's and changes at school level. As changes are made, please inform the zone as soon as possible with the changes.

6.6 CIAAA

Leigh Bretzlaff gave a run down of the CIAAA conference and the benefits that are available to the AD's and in their professional growth and development.

6.7 Track and Field Program and track commissioner

With Kirby stepping down we have to make sure how to get the update out and sent to the schools. Brad Huntley is looking into this for us.

6.8 Changing of the badminton birdie at senior high zones.

The birdie head was painted red to make it more visible in the gym but it was agreed that when there is going to be a change it needs to be communicated to the coaches and players in advance and just on the day of the event.

6.9 4x400 Mixed relay at track zones

This will be included as it is now an event at provincials.

6.10 How do teams qualify for 3A/4A JV Volleyball Zones

This was moved to small group discussions and the 3A/4A schools came up with a plan that will be brought forward at the fall meeting with a policy to add to the handbook.

6.11 Jr. High Tournaments

There was interest to have a list of junior high basketball and volleyball tournaments that are occurring in our zone and schools could post their tournaments to. Michael Vaughan will work on a Google form and spreadsheet to make this happen.

7.0 Notice of Motion

Notice of Motion 7.1 – 3A Basketball

Submitted By: Zone Executive

Current Policy:

7. If the zone is guaranteed two representatives to provincials the zone tournament draw is set as a modified double elimination draw starting on Wednesday evening.

Proposed:

7. If the zone is guaranteed two representatives to provincials the zone tournament draw is set as a modified double elimination draw starting on **Tuesday** evening.

Rationale:

The double knockout draws that were passed as policy start on Tuesday night and so this statement is not inline with the current policy.

Moved: Leigh Bretzlaff – Oilfields

Seconded: Brad Huntley - Crowther

Carried - unanimous

Notice of Motion 7.2 – JV Registration – basketball and volleyball teams

Submitted By: Zone Executive

Current Policy:

2. Teams registering in volleyball and basketball must declare their classification (junior high, junior varsity or senior varsity) on school registration forms. Forms are due by October 15.

Proposed:

2. For junior varsity teams to be eligible for zone competition, they must be registered in the ASAA SRS by October 1 for volleyball and December 15 for basketball.

Rationale:

If teams are registered in the SRS, then the zone knows for sure how many teams are eligible for the zone competition and can pass this information onto the zone hosts – rather than try and track down schools with teams. It costs nothing for schools to register their JV teams and even if a grade 9 is registered it does not count as a year of high school eligibility. The dates listed are the same dates as when varsity teams need to have their teams registered by.

Moved: Leigh Bretzlaff – Oilfields
Seconded: Brad Huntley - Crowther
Carried – unanimous

Notice of Motion 7.3 – 1A/2A JV Basketball Zone Format

Submitted By: Zone executive

Current Policy:

The zone is broken down into six regions, each with one berth, plus host and wildcard berths. Areas without teams mean additional wildcard berths going to the areas with the most entries.

Region A	Crossfield, Beiseker, Banff, Airdrie Koinonia, Our Lady of the Snows
Region B	Oilfields, Siksika, Notre Dame, Edison, Strathcona Tweedsmuir
Region C	Didsbury, Sundre, Carstairs, Cremona, Olds Koinonia
Region D	Prairie, Acme, Three Hills, Trochu, Wheatland Crossing, Holy Cross
Region E	Hanna, Oyen, Youngstown, Delia, Morrin, St. Anthony's
Region F	Bassano, Duchess, Rosemary, St. Joseph's

Proposed:

1A/2A JV Zone Tournament will follow the same format as the 1A/2A Senior Varsity zone tournament. With zone rankings being used to determine the playoff games needed to determine the 8 teams that compete in the zone championships.

Rationale:

The regions do not work for the zone tournament and this year it was too confusing to determine which playoff games were needed and who qualified for the tournament.

Moved: Leigh Bretzlaff – Oilfields
Seconded: Ron Davies – JC Charyk
Carried - unanimous

Notice of Motion 7.4 – Jr. High Cross Country

Submitted By: Zone executive

Current Policy:

The zone event distance for both boys and girls shall be:
Juvenile Girls 2000 m

Proposed:

The zone event distance for both boys and girls shall be:
Juvenile Girls 3000 m

Rationale:

The distance at high school was changed for Junior Girls (Grade 10) from 3000 m to 4000 m and now the jump for girls moving from grade 9 to grade 10 is double the distance. The change will close the gap and be the proper progression for girls moving from Juvenile to Junior.

Moved: Leigh Bretzlaff – Oilfields
Seconded: Brad Huntley - Crowther
Carried – 11 for, 1 against

Notice of Motion 7.5 – 3A Basketball Rankings

Submitted By: Strathmore High School

Current Policy:

Currently there is no model in policy that states how the zone basketball draw is to be seeded.

Proposed:

The South Central Zone 3A boys and girls zone tournament draw will be seeded based on input from zone 3A basketball coaches in conjunction with the 3A zone basketball commissioner. Each coach will submit their ranking of the zone teams to the commissioner. Consideration will be given to teams ranked within the top 10 final provincial rankings and the coach's submissions.

Rationale:

Using the provincial rankings is not an accurate approach as it doesn't account for league finals and final season games prior to zones. As well the Honorable Mentions have been very random and teams have moved out of the final rankings from this spot without a loss and teams have been moved into these spots despite not having won a game since the previous ranking period. The inaccuracy of seedings could be eliminated by utilizing 3A zone basketball coaches having input into the seeding of the draw.

A point system could be used as the coaches rank the zone, ie. #1 – 10pts, 2 – 9 pts etc, and then take the totals to seed the draw, coaches could opt out of the ranking process if not confident enough to rank the teams within the zone.

Moved: Leigh Bretzlaff – Oilfields
Seconded: Carrie Westgard - Strathmore
Defeated – 2 for, 11 against

Notice of Motion 7.6 – 3J/4J Boys Basketball Size

Submitted By: Ken Zelez, Seconded by Foothills Athletic Council, For 3J and 4J Levels

Current Policy:

a. Size 6 ball for both boys and girls

Proposed:

Size 7 ball for Jr A Boys (Gr 9) and size 6 ball for girls and all other levels - this is for 3J and 4J schools only.

Rationale:

All other leagues/associations are having Gr 9 Boys compete with a size 7 ball. We should do the same. A constant ball size for the boys between all leagues will help them develop their skills for High School. All Calgary middle/Kr High schools are using a Size 7 for boys. The entire province is using size 7 for Boys. With the growth of the game, we are only holding kids back by not moving to a consistent ball size. The argument that some Jr A (Gr 9) teams have Gr 8's and 7's is a valid one, but if they are that good to be on the Jr A Team, ball size should not affect them. This is taken into consideration that the "majority" of the players are Gr 9.

Moved: Ken Zelez - STS
Seconded: Emily Clarke - Langdon
Defeated – 6 for, 7 against

Notice of Motion 7.7 – ASAA Notices of Motion

ASAA Notices of Motion were discussed so that our delegates could represent our member's views. Was some contentious issues and notes were given for delegates and direction for voting. Be sure to check ASAA website for outcome of these notices of motion.

8.0 Small Group Discussions

8.1 Selection of New Commissioners and Basketball Rankers
These will be confirmed at the fall meeting.

8.2 Zone Host for 2019/2020 - zone host vacancies were filled and the rest will be filled at the fall meeting. Zone Hosts for 19/20 will be posted on the website.

9.0 New Business Arising from Small Group Discussions

No new business came out of small group discussions.

10.0 2019/2020 South Central Zone dates and location for both fall and spring meetings

Fall – Thursday, September 26, 2019 – Three Hills

Spring – Thursday, May 7, 2020 – Three Hills

11.0 Adjournment at 1:56 pm

Moved: Kylie Harsch - Trochu

Seconded: Brent Moldrup - Acme

All in favor.

Appendix A – see link on website for ASAA Spring Report