

COSSA Annual General Meeting

Order Paper

Constitutional Changes

Motion - Dewar, seconded: Britnell

Article 14: OFSAA Hosts

Section 1

- a) In an event a COSSA school is hosting an OFSAA tournament and the tournament could accommodate a second COSSA entry, the host school should have the right to enter the OFSAA tournament **provided they are in the COSSA championship of the classification of that OFSAA tournament**. In the event that the host school should decline **or not advance to the COSSA championship**, the entry goes to the COSSA silver medallist.

This change would the render b)ii) a moot point.

Rationale: we always strive to send our best to COSSA competitions, therefore the same trend should continue for OFSAA championships.

ACTION - _____

Motion – Poste, seconded Larry

Article 3 – Membership

Add Durham District School Board

Sport By-Law Changes

Boys' Rugby

Tournament Structure

Motion - Dewar, seconded: Meindl

2. Each Championship shall be a single day tournament with semifinal, consolation, and final games.

Rationale: The time and distance travelled for 1 game can be great and thee would be minimal extra expense for 1 game for the losing semi-finalists. Also, it would provide extra opportunity to allow all players on a team to participate. Lastly, this allows an opportunity to show that sport can be about more than winning and losing, but about participation.

Tie Breaker

ACTION - _____

Motion - Dewar, seconded: Dolton

2. If the game is still tied at the end of overtime then the game will be decided by kicks in the following manner:
 - i) each team receives three kicks from the 22m line (left, centre and right)
 - ii) each kick must be attempted by a different player (3 kickers in total) who were on the field of play when overtime ended.
 - iii) the team with the greatest number of successful kicks is the winner.
 - iv) if the game is still tied after the three kicks then the exact same kicking process resumes with the same players, however, it is now sudden death.

Change to:

2. Kicks: Each team will select up to three (3) players, from among the players on the field at the end of regulation period. These players shall be organized to kick from designated spots at the same goalposts with the wind at their backs. A best of three format shall be used.

The kicks shall be in the following sequence on the 22m line:

- a) midway between sidelines and 22m
- b) left 15m line and 22m
- c) right 15m line and 22m line

Rationale: Follow the current OFSAA procedures.

ACTION - _____

Substitutions

Motion - Dewar, seconded: Dolton

2. Substitution for an ~~injured~~ player may be made at any time (upon referees approval) . However, the ~~injured~~ player may not return to the game unless he is a member of the tight five (prop, hook, lock).

Rationale: Clarification.

ACTION - _____

Wrestling

Motion 1: Motion Gough, seconded Collins

Replace section “d)” in Article 11:

d) All wrestlers who attain their designated weight must be placed on the “Weigh-in Form” (see Appendix) that must be faxed to the COSSA convenor and Drawmaster (if applicable) immediately after the weigh-in period. Please ensure that the individual who is conducting the ‘weigh-in procedure’ and the coach of the actual team sign the form before faxing.

Change to

d) Each school shall use the “**Weigh-in Verification & Entry Form**” attached to this document to officially submit entries to the COSSA Wrestling Championships. A summary of confirmed and scratched entrants shall be e-mailed to the COSSA Wrestling Convenor and Drawmaster by 6:00 pm on the date of the weigh-in. The Convenor shall e-mail confirmation of summaries upon receipt. A **paper copy** of this form, completed [*preferably typed*] and properly signed & dated by both the home coach and designated witness, shall be submitted to the COSSA Wrestling Convenor on or before the day of the COSSA Wrestling Championships.

Form attached at the end of the order paper.

Motion 2: Motion Feeney, seconded Collins

Add the following as Article 13:

13. Official Skin Check Procedure

a) Coaches shall be responsible for ensuring their wrestlers are free from communicable skin diseases for competitions.

b) An athlete shall be excluded from competition for any potentially infectious skin condition including, but not limited to, fungal [*e.g., tinea (ringworm)*], bacterial [*e.g., Staphylococcus spp., Streptococcus spp., impetigo*], viral [*e.g., Herpes Simplex*], or weeping lesions expressing pus or yellowish fluid.

c) A doctor’s note, typed on his/her official letterhead, shall be required, and presented to the Convenor prior to the COSSA Wrestling Championships, for exemptions for any non-contagious skin rash [*eg., eczema*].

d) Skin conditions such as mat burns, cuts, severe acne, boils, etc “*may*” be permitted, at the discretion of the Convenor, provided they present no danger to the athlete himself/herself nor to others and can be safely covered with athletic tape [*where practical or necessary*].

e) In the event a coach or referee is concerned about a potential infectious skin condition, including those covered by tape or bandages, on a wrestler, a **written** protest shall be filed with the Convenor **prior** to the bout. With the assistance of 2 **neutral** coaches [*one from Kawartha & one from Bay of Quinte*], the Convenor shall render a decision regarding exclusion of the athlete.

Motion 3: Motion Gough, second Collins

Replace

1. The COSSA tournament shall be held no later than ten days before OFSAA

With

1. As determined by the COSSA Executive, the date of the COSSA Wrestling Championships shall be set in the week preceding the OFSAA Declaration date.

Girls and Boys Basketball

Motion 1: Motion by Donald, second Graham

Motions are listed in order of preference. If the first one is accepted, then the other two are out of order, etc.

- i) A referee from both competing districts (Kawartha & Quinte) and an OAABO evaluator must be present for all COSSA basketball championship games.
- ii) Two (2) referees from the **home** district and one (1) from the **visiting** district must be present for all COSSA basketball championship games.
- iii) Two (2) referees from the **visiting** district and one (1) from the **home** district must be present for all COSSA basketball championship games.

Swimming

Motion 1: Motion by Poste, second by Larry

Remove 'or qualifying meets for High School and Open Division.' From #9.

Rationale – Brings COSSA in line with OFSAA regulations.