



**2010 N.O.S.S.A. ANNUAL MEETING**  
**Friday, April 30<sup>th</sup>**  
**Best Western Lakeshore, North Bay**



**- M I N U T E S -**

**Attendance: See appendix “A”.**

**Call to order at 9:35am. Everyone was welcomed and the head table was introduced.**

**Heather expressed thanks to all conveners of NOSSA activities this past school year and explained the voting procedures in place for the meeting.**

**Chris Coulombe and Michelle from the Ministry of Health Promotion made a brief presentation regarding the promotion of tobacco free sports in area high schools.**

**Rick Mitchell welcomed the assembly on behalf of the Nipissing District Association.**

**Minutes from 2009 annual meeting were accepted as posted. Reports from the secretary and treasurer were distributed and presented. General motions were accepted (moved by Rick Mitchell, seconded by Scott Quarantine). Officers, conveners, sport committee reps, 4-year calendar and activity calendars were presented.**

**CGA and CBA reps to OFSAA presented their reports. A motion was presented to the assembly regarding the NOSSA Gender Equity Policy.**

1. Whereas,  
OFSAA has adopted a new Gender Equity Policy,  
And whereas,  
NOSSA adopted OFSAA’s Gender Equity Policy in 2009-2010,  
Be it resolved that,  
If a sport activity is not available for a female on a girls team, she is eligible to participate on a boys’ team following a successful try-out,  
And be it further resolved that,  
Where a sport activity is available for a female on a girls’ team, she is eligible to participate on a boys’ team if she demonstrates comparable skill and ability during a successful try-out. If a sport activity does not exist for a boy, he is not eligible to participate on a girls’ team.

*Moved: Laura Aubertin – Seconded: Tim Lowe*

**Action: CARRIED.**

2. Whereas,  
Westmount donated over \$2000 to NOSSA in 2009-2010,  
Be it resolved that,  
NOSSA use the money from Westmount to purchase the banners for the next years’ championships.

*Moved : Denis Gauthier (Lasalle) – Kent Rendell (Sud Sec)*

**Action : CARRIED.**

## NOTICES OF MOTION TO OFSAA

### 3. By-Law 5 - Eligibility for Competition, Section 3 – Teams, subsection (b)

Currently reads: “(b) Athletes from two schools may participate on the same school team when the following criteria are met:

- (i) the two schools have entered into an official twinning arrangement for the purposes of all school sport activities;
- (ii) the student population of one of the schools is under 100 students;
- (iii) the two schools either share facilities or are in close proximity to each other;
- (iv) the Association supports the twinning of the two schools.”

Revise item (iv) to read: “the Association supports the mutual arrangement of co-participation of the two schools for sports not currently offered at the smaller school (the smaller school is in compliance with the first three subheadings (i, ii, iii))”

*Vincenzo Dagostino (Franco-Ouest) – Tom O’Grady (ELSS)*      **Action: CARRIED (as amended)..**

Rationale: Allows protection of identity of smaller school while allowing students to compete for teams that could not be currently offered at their own school (small student population).

### 4. By-Law 5 – Eligibility for Competition, Section 3 – Teams, heading (b), subheading (i)

Whereas,

- (i) the two schools have entered into an official twinning arrangement for the purpose of all school sport activities,
- (ii) the student population of one of the schools is under 100 students,
- (iii) the two schools either share facilities or are in close proximity to each other,
- (iv) the Association supports the twinning of the two schools.

Be it resolved that (i) be changed to read:

“The two schools have entered into an official mutual arrangement of co-participation for the purposes of school sports activities not currently offered at the smaller school (the smaller school is in compliance with the first three subheadings (ii, iii, iv))”

*Vincenzo Dagostino (Franco-Ouest) – Tom O’Grady (ELSS)*      **Action: CARRIED (as amended).**

Rationale: Allows protection of identity of smaller school while allowing students to compete for teams that could not be currently offered at their own school (small student population).

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## 5. Date of OFSAA Soccer Championships

“That the start date of OFSAA Soccer be moved to the Monday following OFSAA Track and Field.”

*Dave Makela (Secretary) – Bill Gordon (Sudbury Secondary)*

**Action: CARRIED.**

Rationale: Many of the smaller Sudbury schools are reporting concerns from students who may have the good fortune to qualify for both events. In a larger school setting, making a choice between the two will likely have little bearing on the school’s ability to field a team for OFSAA soccer, but the smaller schools are reporting difficulties to this end.

## N.O.S.S.A CONSTITUTION

**Information regarding the formation of a new school in the Soo District, Superior Heights SS, was presented to the assembly. The new school will replace Bawating and Sir James Dunn in the membership directory.**

## 6. Article VIII: Duties of Conveners

**Reference: Section 2, subsection (h)**

Whereas under the General Constitution, Article VIII, Section 2 point h) reads: “Arrange for appropriate trophies to be present, in good condition, at the site of the tournament or meet,” be it resolved that it be changed to read “Arrange for appropriate trophies, banners or ribbons be present, in good condition, at the site of the tournament or meet and a fine will be incurred by failure to do so.”

*Janis Hogan (Korah) – Shawna Wootton (Bawating)*

**Action: WITHDRAWN.**

Rationale: At the NOSSA Track and Field Competition in 2009 and the Cross Country Meet in 2009, there were no awards given to any of the winners. Some medals were not received until months later.

## 7. Article XI: Awards

**Reference: Section (a), add as follows:**

“Bronze medals are awarded to 3<sup>rd</sup> place competitors in gymnastics and wrestling.”

*Bob Gawalko (Treasurer) – Dave Makela (Secretary)*

**Action: CARRIED.**

Rationale: Reflects current practice.

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**Constitutional Motions (cont'd)****8. Article XI - Awards****Reference: Individual Awards**

Remove heading "Individual Awards".

*Bob Gawalko (Treasurer) – Dave Makela (Secretary)*

**Action: CARRIED.**

Rationale: Housecleaning.

**9. Article XI - Awards****Reference: Add new section (f) as follows:**

"That a gas mileage allowance of \$100/year be allotted for transportation costs incurred in the distribution and delivery of NOSSA awards."

*Bob Gawalko (Treasurer) – Dave Makela (Secretary)*

**Action: CARRIED.**

Rationale: A quite a large territory has to be covered in order to deliver all the NOSSA medallions so they can be brought with the Sudbury schools attending the various NOSSA championships each year.

**10. Article XIV – Sanctions****Reference: Revise to read as follows:**

"If a district is unable to honour its confirmation of intent to participate in any championship, the District shall be charged the entry fee for that championship **plus a \$100 fine ...**"

*Frank Roca (St Benedict) – Angie McDonald (Lockerby)*

**Action: CARRIED.**

Rationale: Deterrent needs to be in place to prevent teams from backing out from their NOSSA commitments.

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## N.O.S.S.A. PLAYING REGULATIONS - COED

### 1. **Cross Country Running** **Reference: Rules of Competition**

Be it resolved that under the Cross Country Running Playing Regulations, Rules of Competition the following be added as point 9: Runners may not use any Personal Electronic Devices (PED's) during competition.

Rationale: Athletes may pace themselves for long distance running events. For safety reasons, they need to be aware of their surrounding.

*Janis Hogan (Korah) – Shawna Wootton (Bawating)* **Action: CARRIED.**

Rationale: Athletes may pace themselves for long distance running events. For safety reasons, they need to be aware of their surrounding.

### 2. **Curling** **Reference: Rules**

Add to existing section as follows: “A rules session, conducted by the convener or rules official, should be conducted for all teams prior to the commencement of play.

*Cindy Watson (St Benedict) – Cloe Lilly (Lockerby)* **Action: CARRIED.**

Rationale:  
Helps provide direction on how tourney committee will handle such things as substitution, behaviour, measurements, burning of rocks, time-outs, etc. (there's always some confusion about the difference between CCA and NOSSA playing regulations).

### 3. **Curling** **Reference: Substitution**

Add as separate item: “Each team may substitute a maximum of two players at the beginning of an end. Coaches making a substitution should inform the opponent's coach of their intentions.”

*Chloe Lilly (Lockerby) – Cindy Watson (St Benedict)* **Action: CARRIED.**

Rationale:  
Most teams carry an additional player or two and allowing substitution only between games marginalizes their role on a team. The above rule allows for fifths and subsequent players to be involved in more games and gain more from the NOSSA experience. Also, it may not be possible to pull students out of class for a day or two awaiting the possibility of playing.

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**COED Playing Regulations (cont'd)****4. Curling**  
**Reference: General**

Add new item (13) as follows: “Last rock advantage shall be determined by a flip of a coin for all draws in the NOSSA tournament.”

*Cindy Watson (St Benedict) – Denis Rochon (Notre-Dame)* **Action: CARRIED.**

Rationale:

This year, last rock advantage for the first draw of the day was decided by a draw to the button, while all others were decided by the flip of a coin. While the draw to the button is more common and accepted at the higher levels of play, it's not possible to do for every draw in the context of the NOSSA tournament. Thus, a coin flip is more consistent.

**5. Curling**  
**Reference: General**

Add new item (14): “That the starting draw be flipped each year such that the girls will start early one year and the boys early the next year (boys will take the early draw in 2011).”

*Cindy Watson (St Benedict) – Cloe Lilly (Lockerby)* **Action: CARRIED.**

Rationale:

Fairness issue - historically the girls have always been scheduled the early draw.

**6. Nordic Skiing**  
**Reference: General**

Add to item (1): “Sprint relays will be offered as part of the NOSSA championship and shall be run similar to the event run at OFSAA.”

*John Henschel (Lively) – Kevin Ellsworth (Lo-Ellen)* **Action: CARRIED.**

**7. Nordic Skiing**  
**Reference: Awards**

Revise second sentence to read: “NOSSA medallions are to be presented to the top junior and senior, boys and girls teams. NOSSA banners are to be presented to the best overall girls and boys teams.”

*John Henschel (Lively) – Kevin Ellsworth (Lo-Ellen)* **Action: CARRIED.**

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**COED Playing Regulations (cont'd)****8. Badminton  
Reference: Seeding**

“Each district will be designated a number for each event with winners being designated “A” and runners’up “B”. “A” winners will be randomly placed in first round games, one winner per game. “B” runners-up will be placed in round one games on the opposite side of the draw from their same district winner. The intent of this seeding is to keep same district teams from meeting in an elimination game for as long as possible

*Shawn Tilander (Sud Sec) – Janis Hogan (Korah)*

**Action: CARRIED.**

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

**Presentation of the Pete Beach Award took place by Dan Blouin. Sue Martel of F.J. McElligott was selected and her many contributions over several years of dedicated service were acknowledged.**

**Adjournment: 11:35 am.**

**N.O.S.S.A. PLAYING REGULATIONS - BOYS****1. Football  
Page 11 – “Series”**

**WHEREAS:** Sudbury has removed themselves from NOSSA football.

**AND WHEREAS:** The Sault Ste. Marie football representative had to travel in 2009 and the North Bay representatives did not.

**AND WHEREAS:** The last time Sault Ste. Marie was guaranteed the opportunity to host a NOSSA football game was 2007 while the last time North Bay was guaranteed the opportunity to host a NOSSA football game was 2009.

**BE IT RESOVED THAT:** The following table be added to the section “Series” of the Boys Football Playing Regulations:

<b>YEAR</b>	<b>NOSSA FOOTBALL FINALS HOST</b>
<b>2010</b>	<b>Sault Ste. Marie</b>
<b>2011</b>	<b>North Bay</b>
<b>2012</b>	<b>Sault Ste. Marie</b>
<b>2013</b>	<b>North Bay</b>
<b>2014</b>	<b>Sault Ste. Marie</b>
<b>2015</b>	<b>North Bay</b>

*Tom Annett (Sir James Dunn) - Barry Rushon (White Pines)*

**Action: WITHDRAWN.**

**Boys Playing Regulations (cont'd)****2. Football****Page 11 – “Series”**

**WHEREAS:** The NOSSA Football champions have been competing in the “Northern Bowl” at the OFSAA Bowl Series since 2006. The NOSSA Football champions have not competed in the “Central Bowl” since 2005.

**AND WHEREAS:** Often OFSAA does not confirm an OFSAA Football Bowl Series date until September. In the past the OFSAA Bowl Series has been as late as December 3. Waiting until one week prior to an early December date would be too long of a lay-off from a City Championship game and the weather / field conditions would likely be uncooperative so late in the school year.

**AND WHEREAS:** The NOSSA Football Final has been scheduled on the second Saturday in November for several years now.

**AND WHEREAS:** Having a NOSSA Football date set in advance will allow local leagues the opportunity to create, modify or finalize their local schedules much sooner. This in turn will allow teams the opportunity to schedule exhibition games.

**BE IT RESOVED THAT:** The statement in the “Series” section of the Boys Football playing regulations that reads: *“The NOSSA Final shall be hosted on Saturday one week before the Central Bowl”* be changed to: *“The NOSSA Football Final will be hosted on the second Saturday in November.”*

*Tom Annett (Sir James Dunn) - Barry Rushon (White Pines)*

**Action: CARRIED.**

**3. Football****Reference: Page 11 – General #2**

**WHEREAS:** Virtually every football league in the world has team benches on opposite sides of the field.

**AND WHEREAS:** Having team benches on opposite sides of the field facilitates communicating with players, calling in plays, and making substitutions.

**AND WHEREAS:** Having team benches on opposite sides of the field provides Coaches with an unobstructed view of the full field.

**BE IT RESOVED THAT:** Statement 2 in the “General” section of the Boys Football playing regulations that reads: *“Both teams’ benches will be placed on the same side of the field with the yard sticks on the opposite side”* be eliminated. If for some reason the host city facilities do not allow benches to be placed on opposite sides of the field they can place them on the same side. However, by eliminating this rule from the playing regulations, teams that do have sufficient facilities are not forced to follow an obscure rule that is not practiced in any other league.

*Tom Annett (Sir James Dunn) - Barry Rushon (White Pines)*

**Action: CARRIED.**

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**Boys Playing Regulations (cont'd)****4. Football****Reference: Page 12 – General #5****WHEREAS:** The “JV5” and the “Cooper Bomb” footballs are no longer in production.**AND WHEREAS:** The existing NOSSA playing regulations language could allow teams to use footballs that are not regulations size and / or weight.**AND WHEREAS:** The OFSAA Football Bowl Series uses an official football (the Wilson CIS Senior Ball F2000)**BE IT RESOVED THAT:** Statement 5 in the “General” section of the Boys Football playing regulations that reads: *“Each team will be allowed to use their own football, ie. J5V or Cooper Bomb during NOSSA play-offs”* be replaced with: *“Teams will be allowed to use their own football in the NOSSA playoffs. The football must be the official CIS / CFL size and weight.”**Tom Annett (Sir James Dunn) - Barry Rushon (White Pines)*      **Action: CARRIED (as amended).****5. Football****Reference: Page – General #7, 9, 10, 11****WHEREAS:** All high school football in Ontario follows the CAFA rulebook and any additional / repetitive rules placed in our playing regulations are redundant.**BE IT RESOVED THAT:** Statement 7, 9, 10, and 11 in the “General” section of the Boys Football playing regulations be deleted. *(See below for statements 7, 9, 10, and 11)*

7. There shall be unlimited blocking on any punt reception, with the existing five yard rule retained - such blocking to commence with the snap of the ball and interpreted as on the kick-off”

9. Canadian kicking rules shall apply.

10. \*The cut blocking rule will be adopted for the next NOSSA Sr. Football Championship and blocking below the waist must be within tackle to tackle and not in open field.

11. ##Jersey Numbering – The football numbering system endorsed by the CAFA will be adopted at the NOSSA level.

*Tom Annett (Sir James Dunn) - Barry Rushon (White Pines)*      **Action: CARRIED.****6. Hockey****General, item 12 – page 15**

Reference: General Item 12. Reads presently: For playoff games, the overtime format will be fifteen (15) minute periods of sudden death hockey until a winner is declared. The ice will be resurfaced after the first overtime period of play and then after every second period thereafter.”

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**Boys Playing Regulations (cont'd)**

Change to read as follows: “In the event of a tie game at the end of regulation time in playoffs, the following will apply:

- i) 1) one ten (10) minute overtime – (5 on 5) – stop time
- 2) one ten (10) minutes overtime – (4 on 4) – stop time
- 3) series of five (5) minutes overtime periods – (3 on 3) until winner is determined.
- ii) all overtime periods are stop time
- iii) overtime is sudden victory
- iv) A penalty shot system may be used if an emergency situation develops after one ten (10) minute overtime period has taken place. It will involve a penalty shot system using a total goals of a five player pool from each team. If still tied, the remaining players will take alternating shots until a winner is determined.”

*Rob Mazzucca (Lockerby) – Paul Flanagan (Manitoulin)*

**Action: CARRIED.**

Rationale: Reflects OFSAA rule for determining overtime.

**7. Soccer**

**Reference: Tournament Structure and Procedure, Page 16**

Third sentence of first paragraph currently reads: “The first round match-ups will be determined by the convener, however the host teams are not to meet in the first round of competition.”

Change to read: “In any draw involving three districts, the convener shall seed entries such that city champions to not meet in the semi final round. If three city champions are involved, the convener shall use his/her discretion to schedule the semi finals.”

*Dan Bartolucci (Marymount) – George Urso (St Benedict)*

**Action: CARRIED.**

**At this point in the boys meeting, the absence of one of the four districts was noted. There was consensus that the importance of attending all facets of the NOSSA annual meeting should be stressed as this is the one and only opportunity for delegates to debate NOSSA issues.**

## N.O.S.S.A. PLAYING REGULATIONS - GIRLS

### 1. Hockey

**Reference: Tournament Structure and Procedure, item (d) – Page 23**

Currently reads: “Points are awarded for pool play as follows: Win = 2; Tie = 1; Loss = 0”

Change to read as follows: “Points are awarded for pool play as follows: Regulation win = 3 points, overtime win = 2 points, overtime loss = 1 point, regulation loss = 0 points”

*Dave Makela (Secretary) – Lisa Addison (Manitoulin)*

**Action: CARRIED.**

### 2. Hockey

**Reference: Rules and Officials, item (g) – Page 26**

Currently reads: “No team timeouts are allowed in round robin play. In playoffs each team is allowed one (1) timeout per game.”

Change to read: “Teams are permitted one 30 second time-out for all games played in the tournament.”

*Dave Makela (Secretary) – Kerry Abols (Lockerby)*

**Action: CARRIED.**

### 3. Hockey

**Reference: Rules and Officials, item (i) – Page 26**

Reference: Rules and Officials, item (h). Currently reads: “Tie games shall stand in pool play.”

Change to read as follows: “For all games played at NOSSA, in the event of a tie at the end of regulation time, the following will apply:

- (i) one ten-minute sudden victory overtime period using a four-on-four system shall be played until a winner is declared;
- (ii) in the event that one team is serving a penalty at the end of regulation time, it shall be four-on-three until the first whistle after the penalty has expired. At the expiration of the penalty the penalized player shall return to the ice and the teams shall play four-on-four until the first whistle at which time the teams shall revert to three-on-three.
- (iii) if the game is still tied, a three (3) girl simultaneous shootout will take place. Shooters and one alternate must be declared on the game sheet prior to the start of the game. Substitution for an injured or penalized player is allowed. Penalized players may not participate in a shootout;
- (iv) if the game is still tied, a one (1) girl simultaneous sudden victory shootout shall take place using the same players in the same order as above.

Delete item (i) in its entirety.

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**Girls Playing Regulations (cont'd)**

*Dave Makela (Secretary) – Rob Van Mierlo (Marymount)*      **Action: CARRIED (as amended).**

Rationale: If this method is used, scheduling one and a half hour time slots leaves ample time for overtime for all NOSSA games, which is the same method as OFSAA. Additionally, eliminating ties in the round robin prevents a penalty minute calculation from deciding upon playoff advancement, which is what was necessary this year.

**4. Soccer**

**Reference: Tournament Structure and Procedure, Page 10**

Third sentence of third paragraph currently reads: “The first round match-ups will be determined by the convener, however the host teams are not to meet in the first round of competition.”

Change to read: “In any draw involving three districts, the convener shall seed entries such that city champions to not meet in the semi final round. If three city champions are involved, the convener shall use his/her discretion to schedule the semi finals.”

*Dan Bartolucci (Marymount) – George Urso (St Benedict)*      **Action: CARRIED.**

**5. Volleyball**

**Reference: Playing Rules, Page 14**

Add new section to read: “All NOSSA volleyball matches must have two (2) officials.”

*Marc Savage (Macd Cartier) – Julie-Anne Bergeron (Sac-Coeur)*      **Action: CARRIED.**

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**Carried motion to accept convener reports was moved by John Wilson and seconded by Kim Chezzi.**

**2010 N.O.S.S.A. ANNUAL MEETING**  
**Friday, April 30<sup>th</sup> – Nipissing District**

- A T T E N D A N C E -

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Nipissing District</b></p> <p>Tim Lowe – Algonquin  Bob Sneddon – Algonquin  Peggy Smith – West Ferris  Mike Tignanelli – West Ferris  Chantal Leroy – ES Northern SS  John Whittet – St Joseph/Scollard Hall  John Wilson – St Joseph/Scollard Hall  Rick Mitchell – West Ferris SS  Richard Lachance – ES Northern SS  Brigitte Marleau – ES Franco-Cité  Scot Quarrington – F.J. McElligott  Sue Martel – F.J. McElligott  Ray Ouellette – L’Oddyssee  Dez Forget – Chippewa  Colleen Egan - Chippewa  Heather Chambers – Resolutions Chair</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Sault District</b></p> <p>Shawna Wootton – Superior Heights  Janis Hogan – Korah  Wendy Basawa – White Pines  Anna Bastos – St Basil SS  Shauna Conway – St Mary’s  Tom Annett – Sir James Dunn  Jim Pedatella – St Basil  Dave Zagordo – St Mary’s  Barry Rushon – White Pines  Mark Palumbo – Alexander Henry  Seth Cond – Bawating  Terri Lyn Della Penta – Sir James Dunn  Steve Caruso - Korah</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>North Shore District</b></p> <p>Tony Yachuk – Espanola HS  Jason Jacques – Espanola HS  Christian Giroux – VFJ  Eric Simons – Jeunesse Nord  Peter Kategiannis – Manitoulin  Tom O’Grady – Elliot Lake SS  Vincenzo Dagostino – ESC Franco-Ouest  Kim Lidstone – WC Eaket  Mark Tarantini – WC Eaket</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Sudbury District</b></p> <p>Millie Wood-Colton – Lasalle  Denis Gauthier – Lasalle  Brandon Dougan – Confederation  Frank Rocca – St Benedict  Luc Giroux – Collège Notre-Dame  Mary Lynn Poirier – St Charles  Sue-Lynn Boudreault – Champlain  Michel Leroux - Champlain  Sean Green – Lockerby CS  Karin Augenstein – Lockerby CS  Sherry Green – Lo-Ellen  Kim Chezzi-MacLennan – Lively  Matt Cootes – Lively  Dave Winsa – Chelmsford  Laura Aubertin – Confederation  Julie-Anne Bergeron – Es du Sacré-Coeur  Jocelyne Leclair – Es du Sacré-Coeur  Yves Poirier – Lo-Ellen Park  Kent Rendell – Sudbury Secondary  Dave Makela – Rainbow DSB Training Lab  Bob Gawalko – Treasurer</p>