

ANNUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JUNE 2 and 3, 2020

ORDER PAPER RESULTS

**Articles, By-Laws and Standing Rules – Page A-10, Article 8 – Amendments Section 1
And Page B-32 Bylaw 9 – Amendments, Section 1 and Section 2**

Article 8 – Amendments

Section 1

The Articles may be amended at the Annual Assembly in April, by a two-thirds (2/3) majority of the entire membership of the Executive Council, Representatives' Council, Presidents' Council, Principals' Council present at the beginning of the Annual Assembly, and no member shall have more than one vote.

By-Law 9 – Amendments

Section 1

The By-Laws may be amended at the Annual Assembly by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the entire membership (Executive Council, Representatives' Council, Principals' Council, Presidents' Council) present at the beginning of the April AGM, and no member shall have more than one vote. To pass, motions require that at least two-thirds (2/3) or the votes actually cast (excluding abstentions) are in the affirmative.

Section 2

The Standing Rules – general sections of the Playing Regulations relevant to all Championships, other than the “Rules of Play”, governing competition in the various Championships sponsored by the Federation can be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the entire Executive Council, Representatives' Council, Principals' Council, Presidents' Council) present at the beginning of the April AGM, and no member shall have more than one vote. To pass, motions require that at least two-thirds (2/3) or the votes actually cast (excluding abstentions) are in the affirmative.

ARTICLES and BY-LAWS

ARTICLES - 3 motions

MOTION 1

MOTION REID/WONG

Page A3, Article 4 – Organizational Structure, Section 1 (b) – Voting

WHEREAS: voting should be anonymous at times

AND WHEREAS: voting results need to be shown as "for" and "against" or "abstain" along with the percentages of the aforementioned.

AND WHEREAS: motions may need to be amended during the meeting

AND WHEREAS: individual members should not be required to bring personal devices to the meeting in order to vote.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: section (V) be added to Article 4 (1)(b) that reads as follows

A system of voting will take place that does not rely on the internet, allows for alteration of motions to accommodate on floor amendments and is simple and easy use.

ACTION: DEFEATED

MOTION 2

MOTION CHAMBERS/POSTE

Page A10, Article 8 – Amendments, Section 2

WHEREAS the OFSAA AGM was originally held in June.

AND WHEREAS the timelines were more appropriate at the time

AND WHEREAS the current deadline of 45 days for motions to be received, the winter championships, March Break and Easter impact the workload for all committees involved.

AND WHEREAS the timelines for the fall representatives' council meeting make it difficult to get input from the various SAC's"

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Article 8 Section 2, 1st paragraph be changed to read as follows:

Proposed amendments for the Annual Assembly must be in the hands of the Executive Director **by January 15th FEBRUARY 15TH**, for circulation to the appropriate committee(s) for review and input. The Executive Director shall circulate to all Executive Councillors, Representatives' Councillors, Principals' Councillors, and Presidents' Councillors 30 days prior to the respective meeting.

In extraordinary circumstance(s) the Executive Director may authorize receipt of a motion(s) from an AD HOC, standing committee or Board of Reference within the stated period.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the last sentence in Article 8, Section 2 be changed to read as follows:

Proposed amendments for the meeting of the Representatives' Council must be submitted to the OFSAA office no later than **October 1st**, for the fall representatives' council meeting or ~~January 15th~~ **FEBRUARY 15TH** for the representatives' council meeting at the April AGM, in order that the Executive Director can meet the deadline to circulate them to the various councils 30 days prior to the respective meeting.

In extraordinary circumstance(s) the Executive Director may authorize receipt of a motion(s) from an AD HOC, standing committee or Board of Reference within the stated period.

Friendly Amendment: Remove January 15th and insert February 15th.

Mover: Sean McCabe Seconder: Tim Lowe

ACTION: AMENDMENT CARRIED

ACTION: CARRIED

MOTION 3

MOTION CHAMBERS/POSTE

Page A10, Article 8 – Amendments new Section 5

WHEREAS There have been instances where motions have come forward in consecutive years,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Article 8 – Amendments, new Section 5 be added to be as follows:

The same motion, or motions of the same intent, may not reappear on the Order Paper for a period of three years unless a committee, council, or board of reference determines that a change to the articles, by-laws or playing regulation is necessary.

ACTION: DEFEATED

BYLAWS - 18 motions

MOTION 1

MOTION VAN BARGEN/HYNDMAN-BEAULNE

Page B11, BY-LAW 4 SECTION 2 - Competition

WHEREAS the Championship Review Committee is assessing championship and festival dates for all sports, and motions for changes may be forthcoming at the 2021 AGM;

AND WHEREAS the committee will be considering the number of sports in a season, seasons of play (fall, winter, spring), the number of student-athletes in each sport, and gender balance;

AND WHEREAS the Executive Council has requested a report be made by the Championship Review Committee to the Representatives' Council at the November 2020 meeting;

AND WHEREAS a date for the Ultimate Festival has not yet been formally approved at an OFSAA AGM, but authority was granted to the Executive Council to establish a date in 2019. The event was conducted in the fall.

AND WHEREAS since the Championship Review Committee may be proposing changes to the championship calendar, all championships and festivals should remain in their present playing season until the assessment is complete;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following be added to By-Law 4, Section 2:

Ultimate	On the seventh (7 th) Thursday and Friday after Labour Day for the 2020-21 school year.
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ACTION: DEFEATED

MOTION 2

MOTION MACLEOD/WONG

PAGE: B11, BY-LAW 4 SECTION 2-Competition

WHEREAS Currently all associations with a recognized league and playoff qualifying competition in Co-ed Ultimate participate in the spring season;

AND WHEREAS The best suited season of play for Ultimate is spring considering factors such as; safety due to weather conditions and field availability.

AND WHEREAS Associations can still choose to schedule local league play during the fall and participate in the OFSAA Festival in the spring of the same school year. This would allow schools to maintain the same roster as in the association championship;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: BY-LAW 4, Section 2 the following be added to the Championship/Festival Dates chart:

Sport	Date: Championship/Festival shall be held:
Co-ed Ultimate	on the Thursday and Friday of the last week of May.

ACTION: CARRIED

MOTION 3

MOTION CLAYTON/MORRIS

Page B19 – By-law 5, Section 3 -Team Eligibility

WHEREAS prep and elite leagues have formed in recent years;

AND WHEREAS high school teams may compete in these leagues;

AND WHEREAS teams competing in both prep/elite leagues and high school leagues in the same school year may gain an advantage over other high school teams;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a new item (d) be added to by-law 5, section 3 as follows:

Teams deemed to have competed in any league not governed by their school athletic association are ineligible for ~~OFSAA competition~~ **OFSAA CHAMPIONSHIP** in that same school year.

AMENDMENT: Change wording from OFSAA competition to OFSAA Championship

Mover: Phil Santomero Seconder: Eva Roser

ACTION: AMENDMENT CARRIED

ACTION: CARRIED

MOTION 4

MOTION CHAMBERS/POSTE

Page B20 – By-Law 5 – Eligibility for Competition, Section 4 (a), Individuals

WHEREAS Rowan’s Law has been passed and has impacts on many sports offered by OFSAA;

AND WHEREAS OFSAA is required, under Rowan’s Law, to receive confirmation from students that they have reviewed the concussion awareness resource and concussion code of conduct;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 5 – Eligibility for Competition -Section 4 (a), Individuals, Page B20 be amended as follows:

Add new (a) (ix) to read:

(ix) in accordance with Rowan’s Law, confirm in writing on the OFSAA form provided, that they and their parent/guardian (if student is under 18 years of age) have reviewed the concussion awareness resource and OFSAA concussion code of conduct within the previous twelve (12) months. Students participating in badminton, cross country, golf and tennis are exempt from this requirement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the remaining sections of Section 4 (a) be re-numbered.

ACTION: CARRIED

MOTION 5

MOTION JAEGER/WOODCROFT

Page B20 - By-Law 5 Section Eligibility for Competition Section 4 – Individuals, (c), (iv)

WHEREAS OFSAA’s Vision is: “OFSAA is a leader in the development of the student well-being”, and the Mission is “To foster success and enrich education through sport.”

AND WHEREAS Creating a safe, inclusive place for athletes struggling with mental illness enables those who are suffering from anxiety or depression to reap the benefits of participating in healthy active living.

AND WHEREAS A core value of OFSAA includes “equity”.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT iv) should read as follows:

(iv) the policy should be used to monitor and mentor student-athletes – their attendance, **well-being**, and their behavior, as well as their grades;

ACTION: CARRIED

MOTION 6

MOTION JAEGER/WOODCROFT

Page B20 - By-Law 5 Section Eligibility for Competition Section 4 – Individuals, (d) Course Requirements Policy – ADD (iii)

WHEREAS OFSAA’s Vision is: “OFSAA is a leader in the development of the student well-being”, and the Mission is “To foster success and enrich education through sport.”

AND WHEREAS Creating a safe, inclusive place for athletes struggling with mental illness enables those who are suffering from anxiety or depression to reap the benefits of participating in healthy active living.

AND WHEREAS A core value of OFSAA includes “equity”.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT add (iii) Students may be exempted from the above course requirements if they have an accommodated timetable or course load as directed by a regulated mental health professional with education and training to assess, diagnose, and treat mental health conditions (i.e. Psychiatrist, Psychologist, Clinical Psychiatric Nurse) and supported by medical documentation. A request for an exemption, with a letter from a regulated mental health professional confirming the student is under their care and that an accommodated timetable or reduced course load is required, must be presented to the Association for approval prior to or during the applicable competition season. In such cases, the student in a non-semestered school must be registered in a minimum of 2 full day credit courses; in a semestered school, a student must be registered in a minimum of one (1) full day school credit course in the semester in which he/she participates.

ACTION: CARRIED

MOTION 7

MOTION KOURTIS/DOGGETT

WHEREAS for adolescents, school is an important source of subjective well-being and recently more emphasis is placed on the fact that schoolchildren should feel comfortable in order to achieve optimal learning conditions, including participation in school athletics

AND WHEREAS the current OFSAA Transfer Policy eliminates the opportunity for our most marginalized students to participate in interschool athletics

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 5 Section 4g The Federation's Transfer Policy be eliminated.

ACTION: DEFEATED

MOTION 8

MOTION BARR/GOUVEIA

Page B21 - BY LAW 5 – ELIGIBILITY FOR COMPETITION – Section 4 – Individuals (g), a (i)

WHEREAS under the current section a (i) a student can be eligible when moving residences despite still being in the boundaries of their previous school;

AND WHEREAS a student can also be eligible at a receiving school even if moving closer to their previous school;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following be added to by-law 5, Section 4 (g), a (i):

The student must have moved out of the school board boundaries of the sending school, or if the sending school has no school board boundaries, the receiving school must be closer to the student's new permanent residence than the sending school (see Note 7).

To now read as:

There has been an accompanying change in permanent residence by the student and his/her immediate family to the designated school from any system (public, catholic or independent) according to school board boundaries (or is the closest school in the student's choice of school system to the student's home if no school boundaries exist). The student must have moved out of the school board boundaries of the sending school, or if the sending school has no school board boundaries, the receiving school must be closer to the student's new permanent residence than the sending school (see Note 7).

Immediate family is the parent(s) or the student's legal guardian as determined by a court of competent jurisdiction. The student and his/her immediate family must completely and permanently move from the former residence. The student must provide evidence/documentation confirming that they are residing in a new permanent residence, and evidence/documentation that they have completely and permanently moved from the former residence. See Note 9.

ACTION: CARRIED

MOTION 9

MOTION DIFRANCESCO/DALY

Page B21 – BY-LAW 5 – ELIGIBILITY FOR COMPETITION – Section 4 – Individuals (b)(i) and b(ii)

WHEREAS in semestered schools may students transfer schools at the end of first semester and many winter sport seasons begin in semester one and extend into semester two

AND WHEREAS a student who plays a winter sport one year (e.g. December to March of grade 10 that year), then transfers at the end of the semester the NEXT YEAR even without playing that sport that year (eg. Transfer February of grade 11 year) would remain ineligible in GRADE 12 year when the season starts because he/she played the winter sport in grade 10 and the current wording directs schools to go back 12 MONTHS PRIOR TO THE DATE OF TRANSFER.

AND WHEREAS sitting out one full season is the accepted ineligibility period for all other transfer scenarios.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the first sentence in each of bi) and bii) be changed to read as follows:

bi) the student did not participate in any sports at the interschool level **for 12 months prior to the date of transfer or one complete athletic season in a given sport.**

bii) the student accepts his/her ineligibility under the transfer policy, but requests eligibility for the sports he/she did not participate in at the interschool level **for the twelve month prior to the date of transfer or one complete athletic season in a given sport.**

ACTION: DEFEATED

REFER TO TRANSFER COMMITTEE and return April 2021

MOTION 10

MOTION GOUVEIA/GRANT

Page B22 - By-Law 5 – Section 4 g) The Federation’s Transfer Policy – c)

WHEREAS There is a concern about how OFSAA Eligibility impacts students who may be required to transfer schools for reasons beyond their control.

AND WHEREAS Some school board policies force students to attend specialized programs (i.e. English Language Learner) at a school other than their designated home school then require them to return to their home school once the program is complete.

AND WHEREAS Some of these programs are longer than one year in length thereby excluding use of other sections of the OFSAA Transfer Policy.

AND WHEREAS Students being involuntarily transferred cannot possibly be considered to have transferred for athletic purposes.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 5, Section 4 g) The Federation’s Transfer Policy c(iii) be added to read: The student has completed an English Language Learner or English Dialect Learner program, and as a result, the school board is requiring the student to transfer to their designated school. The student must transfer by the beginning of the school year following completion of the program, and must provide documentation from the school board confirming completion of the English Language Learner or English Dialect Learner program and confirming the student has been placed in his/her designated school.

ACTION: CARRIED

MOTION TO PACKAGE MOTION 11 AND 12

MOVER: SCOTT BARR SECONDER: KELLY GOUVEIA

ACTION: CARRIED

MOTION 11

MOTION BARR/GOUVEIA

Page B22 - BY LAW 5 – ELIGIBILITY FOR COMPETITION – Section 4 – Individuals (g), d (ii)

WHEREAS a transfer student applying under d (ii) would have changed residence;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 5, section 4 (g), d (ii) be changed to read:

The student must attend the designated school from any system (public, catholic, or independent) according to school board boundaries (or the closest school in the student’s choice of school system to the student’s home residence if no school boundaries exist).

ACTION: CARRIED

MOTION 12

MOTION BARR/GOUVEIA

Page B22 - BY LAW 5 – ELIGIBILITY FOR COMPETITION – Section 4 – Individuals (g), d (iii)

WHEREAS a transfer student applying under d (iii) would have changed residence;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 5, section 4 (g), d (iii) be changed to read:

The student must attend the designated school from any system (public, catholic, or independent) according to school board boundaries (or the closest school in the student’s choice of school system to the student’s home residence if no school boundaries exist).

ACTION: CARRIED

MOTION 13

MOTION BARR/GOUVEIA

Page B24 - BY LAW 5 – ELIGIBILITY FOR COMPETITION – Section 4 – Individuals, (g) The Transfer Policy Procedural Process (2)

WHEREAS students must meet one of the exceptions in the transfer policy in order to gain eligibility;

AND WHEREAS the Transfer Policy Procedural Process may be interpreted to mean that students can gain eligibility outside the stated exceptions when filing an appeal;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law 5, Section 4 (g), Transfer Policy Procedural Process, item 2 be replaced with the following:

2. Students may appeal in writing in the following manner:

ACTION: CARRIED

MOTION 14

MOTION FIORIO/ ZAHARIEV

Page B27, By-Law 5 – Section 4 – Individuals, i) – Sport Schools, Sport Academies and Sport Programs

WHEREAS Section ii states “Any student enrolled in a sport program and the school is not his/her designated school according to school board boundaries (or not their closest school where no boundaries exist), will be eligible to compete in any sport except the sport being provided through their sport-specific curricular program. The period of ineligibility will continue as long as the student attends the school where the sport program exists.”

AND WHEREAS Section iii states “Any student enrolled in a sport school or sport academy and the school is not their designated school according to school board boundaries (or not their closest school where no boundaries exist), will be eligible to compete in any sport except their declared or designated sport of specialty. The period of ineligibility will continue as long as the student attends the sport school or sport academy.”

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Section iv read as follows “Any student who lives outside the designated school area and is enrolled in a sport school, sport academy, or sport program will be eligible to compete in any sport, except their declared or designated area of specialty with the exception of the following individual sports – Alpine Skiing, Badminton, Cross-Country, Golf, **Nordic Skiing**, Snowboarding, Swimming, Tennis, Track & Field, and Wrestling. An exceptional/elite athlete’s results may not count towards a team score (i.e. they may only compete as an individual). The period of ineligibility will continue as long as the student attends the school where the sport program exists. “

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Renumber the sections following iv to v, vi, and vii.

Rationale: An exceptional/elite athlete competing as an individual in their sport, where their result DOES NOT count towards a school’s team score, should be given the opportunity to compete at OFSAA.

AMENDMENT: Remove exceptional/elite athlete program in the BIRT. Add Nordic Skiing to the list of sports.

No objection to the amendment – (no mover/seconded required)

ACTION: DEFEATED

REFER TO SAC’S FOR REVIEW.

MOTION 15

MOTION ARSENAULT/GRATTA

Page B-27, By-Law 5, Section 4 – Individuals, i) Sport Schools, Sport Academies and Sport Programs – iii)

WHEREAS there is no evidence to suggest that attending a sport school enhances an athlete's ability or provides any unfair advantage over students who are not attending a Sports School.

AND WHEREAS the only potential advantage is when athletes can compete together as a part of a team.

AND WHEREAS individual sport events do not allow athletes to compete together with a team component.

AND WHEREAS The Sport Advisory Committees for Track and Field and Cross-Country running support this motion.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The following be added at the end of the last sentence in section (iii) to read as follows:

Exceptions:

Any student who's declared or designated sport of specialty is Track and Field or Cross-Country Running is eligible to compete in their declared or designated sport as an individual only. The student is not eligible to compete as part of any team component nor are they eligible to contribute points towards an overall team score.

ACTION: DEFEATED

REFER TO DESIGNATED SACS FOR REVIEW

MOTION 16

MOTION WASSING/HEIDBUURT

Page B28 – BY-LAW 6 – SUPERVISION and DEPARTMENT – Section 1 – Supervision, Subsections (a) and (b).

WHEREAS in order to fill teaching positions, independent schools may need to hire competent individuals and those individuals may only have a baccalaureate, masters, or doctorate.

AND WHEREAS these employees are trusted individuals that are hired by local independent school boards to perform specific duties for the board in a school setting.

AND WHEREAS some of the regional OFSAA Associations have adopted similar positions of supervision provided by independent schools.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 6, Section 1, Subsections (a) and (b) be changed to add:

A teacher is defined as a member of the Ontario College of Teachers or a holder of an Ontario Teacher's Certificate or equivalent.

- a) For team sports, (reference By-Law 5, Section 3), a teacher from the same school, or a retired teacher, as approved by the principal of the school, must accompany and be responsible for the team. **In the event of an independent school, if the teacher coach or staff advisor is not certified by and in good standing with the Ontario College of Teachers, they must be approved to serve as a coach by the principal of the independent school in question.**
- b) For individual sports (those sports in which athletes from a school qualify for Federation competition as individuals), the principal of the school must designate a teacher or retired teacher to accompany and be responsible for the athletes throughout the duration of the competition. In addition, the principal may also designate an adult who is not a teacher to accompany the athletes along with the designated teacher. **In the event of an independent school, if the teacher coach or staff advisor is not certified by and in good standing with the Ontario College of Teachers, they must be approved to serve as a coach by the principal of the independent school in question.**

ACTION: DEFEATED

MOTION 17

MOTION CHAMBERS/POSTE

Page B32, By-Law 9 – Amendments, Section 1a) and Section 2 a) and b)

WHEREAS the OFSAA AGM was originally held in June.

AND WHEREAS the timelines were more appropriate at the time

AND WHEREAS the current deadline of 45 days for motions to be received, the winter championships, March Break and Easter impact the workload for all committees involved.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 9, Section 1a) and Section 2 a) and b), the last sentence of the first paragraphs be changed to read as follows:

Proposed amendments for the Annual Assembly must be in the hands of the Executive Director **by January 15th February 15th**, for circulation to the appropriate committee(s) for review and input. The Executive Director shall circulate to all Executive Councillors, Representatives' Councillors, Principals' Councillors, and Presidents' Councillors 30 days prior to the respective meeting.

In extraordinary circumstance(s) the Executive Director may authorize receipt of a motion(s) from AD HOC, standing committee or Board of Reference within the stated period.

AMENDMENT: January 15th to be February 15th.

ACTION: CARRIED

MOTION 18

MOTION BASSO/KOURTIS

PAGE B34 – APPENDIX 1 - RULES OF BEHAVIOUR

WHEREAS the use of cannabis has been legalized in Ontario and should be prohibited from OFSAA events;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Page 34, Appendix 1- Rules of Behaviour for Participants to OFSAA Championships – Section 3, the first sentence be amended to read:

The consumption of alcoholic beverages or use of cannabis products by participants, whether of legal age or not, at any time during OFSAA Championships or Festivals is expressly forbidden.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Appendix 1-Rules of Behaviour for Participants to OFSAA Championships – Section 4 page B34 be amended and add a second sentence:

This includes the use of cannabis and cannabis related products.

ACTION: CARRIED

STANDING RULES

All Playing Regulations – Section 5. Eligibility (a) Team/School Eligibility

MOTION 1

MOTION CHAMBERS/POSTE

WHEREAS Rowan’s Law has been passed and has impacts on many sports offered by OFSAA;

AND WHEREAS OFSAA is required, under Rowan’s Law, to receive confirmation from all coaches and trainers that they have reviewed the concussion awareness resource and concussion code of conduct;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a new section to read as follows: In accordance with Rowan’s Law, have all coaches and trainers confirm in writing on the OFSAA form provided, that they have reviewed the concussion awareness resource and OFSAA concussion code of conduct within the previous twelve (12) months, be added to all Playing Regulations, 5(a) Team/School Eligibility, excepting badminton, golf, cross country, and tennis.

ACTION: CARRIED

MOTION 2

MOTION CHAMBERS/POSTE

All Playing regulations – Section 5, Eligibility (b) Individual Student Eligibility

WHEREAS Rowan’s Law has been passed and has impacts on many sports offered by OFSAA,

AND WHEREAS OFSAA is required, under Rowan’s Law, to receive confirmation from students that they have reviewed the concussion awareness resource and concussion code of conduct;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following be placed in all Playing Regulations, 5. Eligibility (b) Individual Student Eligibility, new (ix), excepting badminton, golf, cross country, and tennis, to read as follows:

(ix) in accordance with Rowan’s Law, confirm in writing on the OFSAA form provided, that they and their parent/guardian (if student is under 18 years of age) have reviewed the concussion awareness resource and OFSAA concussion code of conduct within the previous twelve (12) months.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the remaining sections of 5. Eligibility (b) be re-numbered.

ACTION: CARRIED

MOTION 3

MOTION BASSO/KOURTIS

WHEREAS vaping and use of vaping products (ex. e-cigarettes) has become a health concern and should not be permitted at OFSAA events;

BE IT RESOLVED that in all OFSAA playing regulations the following statement replace current language (located at the end of the Sport Specific Directives in each sports' playing regulations)

All Federation Championships and Festivals are non-smoking and non-vaping events.

This includes the use of all tobacco and vaping related products

Participants must obey the Ministry of Education's Code of Conduct

ACTION: CARRIED

PLAYING REGULATION MOTIONS

BASEBALL – 7 motions

MOTION 1

MOTION WHEENT/BURKE

Page C-3, Section 6(b)(i) - Rules and Officials, Format

WHEREAS: Baseball Canada and Baseball Ontario have mercy rules in place after the third and fourth innings.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: 6 (b) (i) be changed to read as follows:

All games will be seven (7) innings except when a team is leading by 18 or more runs after three (3) innings, two and a half (2 ½) innings if the home team is ahead; or when a team is leading by 12 or more runs after four (4) innings, three and a half (3½) innings if the home team is ahead; or when a team is leading by 10 or more runs after five (5) inning, four and a half (4 ½) innings if the home team is ahead. Then the mercy rule will apply and the game is ended.

ACTION: CARRIED

MOTION 2

MOTION WHEENT/BURKE

Page C-3, Section 6 – Rules and Officials (i) - Pitcher Rules

WHEREAS: Baseball Canada and Baseball Ontario have changed their pitch count rules

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Page C-3, Section 6(i) be changed to read as follows:

Pitcher Rules

- (i) A pitcher, who pitches 41 or more pitches, cannot pitch the next calendar day.
- (ii) A pitcher, who pitches 105 pitches maximum per day, must be removed.
- (iii) A pitcher may not pitch on 3 consecutive calendar days unless the pitcher threw 30 pitches or less on each of the first 2 days and the maximum pitches on the 3rd day is 50.

ACTION: CARRIED

MOTION 3

MOTION WHEENT/BURKE

Page C-4, Section 6- Rules and Officials, (j) - Pitch Count Limits, (ii) Special Notes (iv)

WHEREAS: If the motion on pitch counts is adapted, throwing pitches for an intentional walk will count against a reduced pitch count limit.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT (ii) Special Notes (iv) be changed to the following: Pitches must **not** be thrown for an intentional walk.

ACTION: CARRIED

MOTION 4

MOTION WHENT/BURKE

Page C-4, Section 6 – Rules and Officials, (j) - Pitch Count Limits, (ii) Special Notes (v)

WHEREAS: No penalty has been indicated for a Pitch Count Violation

AND WHEREAS: most violations of this rule have been unintentional

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: added to (ii) Special Notes a new section (v) be added to read as follows:

(v) Violation of the pitch count will result in the Head Coach (Manager) and the pitcher of the offending team being ejected for the remainder of that game.

ACTION: CARRIED

MOTION 5

MOTION WHENT/BURKE

Page C-4, Section 6 – Rules and Officials, new section (m)

WHEREAS: times on diamonds is often limited due to evening permits and subject to weather conditions

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: a new section (m) be added to Page C-4, Section 6 - Rules and Officials to read as follows:

(m) Any game suspended for any reason will resume from the point of suspension. The pitch count rules still apply.

ACTION: CARRIED

MOTION 6

MOTION WHENT/BURKE

Page C-5, Section 7- Uniforms and Equipment, (b) Sport Specific (vi)

WHEREAS the wearing of helmets by base coaches is part of Major League Baseball rules and has been an unwritten rule at OFSAA Baseball Championships

BE IT RESOLVED THAT a new section (vi) be added to (b) Sport Specific to read as follows:

(vi) Base Coaches must wear helmets

ACTION: CARRIED

MOTION 7

MOTION STIRTAN/BURKE

Page C-7, Sport Specific Directives for OFSAA Baseball Championship, 1 Championship Structure And Procedure (v)

WHEREAS: in the current 18 team format, 3 teams are eliminated from competition after the first day, and these teams may have travelled a great distance, not knowing if they will have games on the second day.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: in the 18 team format the losers of Game 6, Game 9 and Game 10 will play a round robin set of games on day 2 of the championship. The games will be scheduled as follows:

830 am Loser Game 6 Vs Loser Game 9

11:30 am Loser Game 9 vs Loser Game 10

2:30 pm Loser Game 10 vs Loser Game 6

ACTION: CARRIED

CROSS COUNTRY – 5 motions

MOTION 1

MOTION DILLABAUGH/BAKER

Page: E-1, Section 2 – Championship Structure and Procedures

WHEREAS: The Para Division of Cross Country is growing;

AND WHEREAS: there is a need to identify the proper divisions of competitor classifications in the playing regulations to ensure proper recognition of results and awards.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Subsection 2 (b) be changed to read:

(b) The Para Classification will consist of three (3) divisions, as follows:

- i) Visually Impaired (VI, Boys and Girls)
- ii) Ambulatory (Amb Boys and Girls)
- iii) Intellectual Impairment (II Boys and Girls)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That Section 2 (b) become 2 (c) and 2 (c) become a new subsection 2 (d).

ACTION: CARRIED

MOTION 2

MOTION DILLABAUGH/GREPE

Page E-7, Section 1d) and 1f) – Sport Specific Directives

WHEREAS: Current sections 1d) and 1 f) of the Sport Specific Directives of the Cross Country playing regulations contradict each other.

AND WHEREAS: Section 1f) specifies the intent of what the start line dimensions should be.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The current sections 1d) and 1e) be deleted and the current 1f) “The starting line must be a minimum of 50m in width (20 boxes x 2.5m)” be renamed 1d).

ACTION: CARRIED

MOTION 3

MOTION BAKER/HAHN

Page E-1, Section 2 a) – Championship Structure and Procedures

WHEREAS: When the Para Division began, the novice division for girls ran 3km and the goal was to provide an opportunity for athletes in the Para Division.

AND WHEREAS the Para division has grown and evolved to the point where it is felt that Para Athletes are able to run the same distance as is now competed at by Novice.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Para event be changed to the same distance as the Novice boys and girls to read as **Para Event – 4km**

ACTION: CARRIED

MOTION 4

MOTION DILLABAUGH/METIVIER

Page E-2, Section 5 Eligibility a) School/Team Eligibility

WHEREAS the OFSAA schedule for Cross Country is a full day,

AND Whereas the expectation of the participants is that they are able to compete at a high level,

BE IT RESOLVED that Athletes participating in any event must be able to complete the race in 45 minutes or less.

ACTION: CARRIED

MOTION 5

MOTION DILLABAUGH/HAHN

Page E-7, Sport Specific Directives, Section 3 – Scoring b)

WHEREAS: The word team is missing in the sentence.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The word 'team' needs to be inserted where it says will be determined by finishes to read as follows.

Scoring for the Overall Champions Banner will be determined by **team** place finishes in the divisional races and the following point system will be used

ACTION: CARRIED

FIELD HOCKEY – 3 motions

MOTION 1

Motion Lewis/Rusch

Page G-3, Section 6 (a) - Rules and Officials

WHEREAS: FIH rule changes occur in January/February of each school year and should not be automatically adopted;

AND WHEREAS: Any FIH rule change will be reviewed at the next scheduled Field Hockey SAC meeting for possible adoption.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Section 6 (a) be replaced with the following;

(a) The rules of the **International Hockey Federation (FIH) 2019 version** shall govern play at the OFSAA Championship with the following exceptions:

- (i) Length of Game: two (2) thirty-minute halves with a five (5) minute intermission.
- (ii) **In any game there shall be a maximum goal differential of five (5).** The first time the goal differential reaches five (5), no further scoring shall be recorded and the game is over with respect to scoring. The actual game continues but no further scoring is recorded. The umpire shall be informed when the five-goal differential is reached and shall inform both coaches
- (iii) Players may stop, deflect and play the ball in a controlled manner in any part of the field, but it must be below shoulder height.
- (iv) When applying the penalty for an early break by the defence or a fake by the injector on a penalty corner rule, each team must be given one (1), warning per game before the rule is applied.
- (v) A dressed goal keeper must be used at all times

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT: 6 (e) be removed.

ACTION: CARRIED

MOTION 2

MOTION SEGUIN/PAIM

Page: G-5, Section: 7 (b) (viii) – Sport Specific

WHEREAS: Contrasting sock colours assist umpires during competition.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: 7 (b) (viii) be changed to read as the following;

“Teams must bring **contrasting colour of socks and shirts or markers with numbers.**” The team named first on the schedule will be required to wear a contrasting colour if there is a colour similarity.

ACTION: CARRIED

MOTION 3

MOTION RUSCH/LEWIS

Page: G-8, Section: 1 – Sport Specific Directives - Championship Structure and Procedure

WHEREAS: The Field Hockey SAC feels that a draw needs to be listed in the Sport Specific Directives to assist convenor with a schedule.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Girls' Field Hockey Tournament Draw will now fall under Section 1 (d);

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT: Girls' Field Hockey 16 Team Tournament Draw be added as follows;

OFSAA Girls' Field Hockey 16 Team Draw (4 fields)

Pool A	Pool B	Pool C	Pool D
A1 (1)	B1 (2)	C1 (3)	D1 (4)
A2 (8)	B2 (7)	C2 (6)	D2 (5)
A3	B3	C3	D3
A4	B4	C4	D4

Day 1

Time	Field 1	Field 2	Field 3	Field 4
	D1 vs D4	D2 vs D3	C1 vs C4	C2 vs C3
	B1 vs B4	B2 vs B3	A1 vs A4	A2 vs A3
	C1 vs C3	C2 vs C4	D1 vs D3	D2 vs D4
	A2 vs A4	A1 vs A3	B2 vs B4	B1 vs B3

Day 2

Time	Field 1	Field 2	Field 3	Field 4
	B1 vs B2	B3 vs B4	A1 vs A2	A3 vs A4
	C3 vs C4	C1 vs C2	D3 vs D4	D1 vs D2
Quarter Finals	Q1: 1 st A vs 2 nd B	Q2: 1 st D vs 2 nd C	Q3: 1 st B vs 2 nd A	Q4: 1 st C vs 2 nd D

Day 3

Time	Field 1	Field 2
Semi Finals	S1: Winner Q1 vs Winner Q2	S2: Winner Q3 vs Winner Q4
Bronze Medal	Loser S1 vs Loser S2	
Gold Medal	Winner S1 vs Winner S2	

ACTION: CARRIED

FOOTBALL – 2 motions

MOTION 1

MOTION CLARKE/BROCK

Page H - 1, Section 3 (c) - Entry

WHEREAS: section 3 (c) states that:

3 (c) Each team may register a maximum of fifty-six (56) players on their AELS. Only registered participants may represent the school and/or attend Championship activities. (ref. Appendix H-2 XIV)

AND WHEREAS: Appendix XIV states that the participation limit for Football is 65.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: section 3 (c) be replaced with:

3 (c) Each team may register a maximum of fifty-six (56) players and up to nine (9) team personnel on their AELS. Only registered participants may represent the school and/or attend Championship activities. (ref. Appendix H-2 XIV)

ACTION: CARRIED

MOTION 2

MOTION CLARKE/BROCK

Page H - 3, Section 7 (b) (iv) - Uniforms and Equipment

WHEREAS: section 7 (b) (iv) states that:

7 (b) (iv) If there is a colour conflict, both teams will change their jerseys to non-conflicting coloured jerseys to be provided by the football SAC.

AND WHEREAS: the OFSAA Executive has approved the purchase of a single set of jerseys to be made available for a situation where a second (2nd) set of uniforms is not available to participating teams and a colour conflict exists.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: section 7 (b) (iv) be replaced with:

(b) (iv) if there is a colour conflict that cannot be resolved by 7 (b) (iii), then the team designated as the visitor on the schedule will be responsible for switching out their jerseys for uniforms provided by the Football SAC.

ACTION: CARRIED

BOYS' AND GIRLS' HOCKEY – 1 motion

MOTION

MOTION CLAYTON/ELLIOTT

Page K-8, Section 1 – Championship Structure and Procedure

WHEREAS: The former version of the playing regulations included the placing of the seeds into their respective Pools.

AND WHEREAS: This information is vital for convenors in setting up the Championship.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: A new 1a and 1b are added and remaining subsections be renumbered.

(a) The format for a 16-team draw:

POOL A	POOL B	POOL C	POOL D
1	2	3	4
7	8	5	6
12	11	10	9
14	13	16	15

Note: All Pools add to 34.

(b) The format for a 20-team draw:

POOL A	POOL B	POOL C	POOL D
1	2	3	4
7	8	5	6
12	11	10	9
13	14	15	16
20	19	18	17

ACTION: CARRIED

NORDIC SKIING – 3 motions

MOTION 1

MOTION HARRIS/RANDSALU

PAGE: M-2, SECTION 2-Championship Structure and Procedures

WHEREAS: Currently girls and boys race different distances at the OFSAA Nordic Skiing;

AND WHEREAS: gender equality is feasible within Nordic Skiing competition at OFSAA;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Section 2 (b) be amended and read the following:

Courses for individual distance events will be as follows:

Senior Boys' and Girls' will ski the same course which is to be between 6.5 and 7.5 km in length; and, Junior Boys' and Girls' will ski the same course which is to be between 4.5 and 5.5 km in length.

ACTION: CARRIED

MOTION 2

MOTION HARRIS/VEREEKE

PAGES: M-2 and M-3, SECTION 2-Championship Structure and Procedures

WHEREAS: Clarification for coaches is needed in regards to start order of relay competition at OFSAA Nordic Skiing;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Section 2 (f)(i) be amended and read the following:

For the team sprint preliminary heats, team placement in the start chevron will be selected by the starting athlete or coach as athletes enter the start chevron in order based on the team's results in the individual distance events (see section 6f).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: Section 2 (f)(ii) be amended and read the following:

For the team sprint finals, team placement in the start chevron will be selected by the starting athlete or coach as athletes enter the start chevron in order based on the team's placing in the preliminary heats of the sprint relay. Where two (2) teams have the same placing, their team's results in the individual distance events will determine priority (see section 6f)."

ACTION: CARRIED

MOTION 3

MOTION HARRIS/VEREEKE

PAGES: M-4 to M-6, SECTION 6-Rules and Officials & SECTION 7-Uniforms and Equipment

WHEREAS: Currently the Nordiq Canada Canadian competition rules are applicable for high school racing in Ontario;

AND WHEREAS: Cross Country Canada has changed its name to Nordiq Canada;

AND WHEREAS: OFSAA Nordic as a Provincial championship is defined by Nordiq Canada as a Tier 2 competition;

AND WHEREAS: the adoption of Nordiq Canada competition rules and policy will provide governance on waxing protocol at OFSAA Nordic;

AND WHEREAS: a written regulation is needed to address student-athletes who currently have individual sponsorship and also to coincide with current by-law on manufacturer sponsorship at OFSAA;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Section 6 (a) be amended and read the following:

The Nordiq Canada Canadian Competition Rules (FIS ICR - CCR) and Nordiq Canada Fluoro Wax Policy for Tier 2 Competitions shall govern competition at the OFSAA Championship with the exceptions outlined in these regulations, and where the duties of the jury will be undertaken by the OFSAA Protest Committee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: Section 6 (c) be replaced with the following:

(c) Athletes must be registered in one of five start order groups for the Individual Distance event, where start order group one (1) will start first and start order group five (5) will start last.

(i) Each member of a qualifying team (4 or 5 skiers) must be entered in a separate start order group. (Coaches MUST NOT enter any two skiers from the same team in the same start order group.)

- (ii) Schools with more than one qualifying team must enter each team separately. For example an "A" and "B" team from the same school must be entered as in item (i) above.
- (iii) Athletes who are not members of a team may be entered in any of the start order groups.
- (iv) Within each of the five start order groups a full random draw will be used.
- (v) There is no requirement or expectation that athletes of a particular ability be placed in certain start order groups.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: Replace Section 7 (b)(iii) with the following:

Athletes may not represent sponsors during award presentations except as allowed on uniforms by By-Law 6, Section 2(h), and as such may not bring any ski equipment (including boots, skis, poles, ski straps, pole clips, or goggles) to award presentations, with the exception of ski boots that can be worn on the feet, if the presentation occurs shortly after the competition

ACTION: CARRIED

SWIMMING – 3 motions

MOTION 1

MOTION ARSENAULT/TOFFOLO

Page Q-1, Section 1. Events and/or Classifications, Part (B) Classification of swimmers is as follows;

Subsection (i) High School division, Part (i)

WHEREAS: Training for Water-polo, Lifesaving and/or Synchronized Swimming does not focus on stroke development enough that it would be of significant benefit to an athlete who, as a result, would be in competition against athletes who are primarily training for racing only.

AND WHEREAS: No other sport has cross-over rules limiting an athlete's participation in a sport (e.g. a Squash or Racquetball player is not considered open for Tennis or a Freestyle skier is not considered Open for Alpine)

AND WHEREAS: There is evidence that the intent of the rule is not being appropriately applied, given the large number of granted appeals (>450 appeals in the past two years) for athletes who have competed in one of the three clubs mentioned above.

Be IT RESOLVED THAT: Section 1. Events and/or Classifications: Part (B) Classification of swimmers is as follows;

Subsection (i) High School division, Part (i) have the following added at the end; **"The exceptions to this rule are Lifesaving, Synchronized swimming and Water-polo Clubs"**

ACTION: DEFEATED

MOTION 2

MOTION ARSENAULT/TOFFOLO

Page Q-1, Section 1. Events and/or Classifications; Part (B) Classification of swimmers is as follows;

Subsection (i) High School division, Part (ii)

WHEREAS: There is very little difference between the competency level of a swimmer entering grade 9 or grade 10 if they have been training in a club for a reasonably equal length of time.

AND WHEREAS: There is inequity in that a person who is entering grade 9 is not made to be ineligible for the high-school category for the same length of time as a student entering grades 10-12.

AND WHEREAS: The intent of the rule is to not have High School Trained swimmers compete against Club trained swimmers, yet the current rule allows athletes in grade 9 who have very recently stopped competing at the club level to compete at the high school level.

Be IT RESOLVED THAT: Section 1. Events and/or Classifications: Part (B) Classification of swimmers is as follows;

Subsection (i) High School division, Part (ii) be removed and adjust Part (iii) to become Part (ii) with the following deletion "... in grade ten or above..."

ACTION: CARRIED

MOTION 3

MOTION BETTIG/MAHONEY

Page Q - 4, Section 5 (a) (i) - School/Team Eligibility

WHEREAS: Section 5 (a) (i) states that:

5 (a) (i) To represent a school in any activity coordinated by the Federation, a school/team must: (i) conduct a 'bona fide' high school program consisting of a minimum of four (4) members and a minimum of two (2) pool practices per week for at least two (2) consecutive months between September and March, under the supervision of a teacher as certified by the school principal

AND WHEREAS: stipulating a minimum number of swimmers necessary to make up a team limits schools with less than 4 swimmers from participation in regional events and from advancing to OFSAA as individual entries.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Section 5 (a) (i) be modified to read:

To represent a school in any activity coordinated by the Federation, a school/team must: (i) conduct a 'bona fide' high school program consisting of a minimum of two (2) pool practices per week for at least two (2) consecutive months between September and March, under the supervision of a teacher as certified by the school principal

ACTION: CARRIED

TRACK & FIELD – 2 motions

MOTION 1

MOTION JOHNSON/VAN

Page S1 and S2, Section 1- Events and Classifications

WHEREAS: There is no mixed/co-ed 4x400m relay event offered at the OFSAA championships or association meets. (2 male and 2 female 400m runners in any order of the teams' choosing)

AND WHEREAS: The mixed/co-ed 4x400m relay is contested at the IAAF world track and field championships as well as the Olympic Games.

AND WHEREAS: The mixed/co-ed 4x400m relay is contested at local invitational meets and is received positively from coaches and athletes.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The mixed/co-ed 4x400m relay be added to the OFSAA schedule and association meets with the same qualifying structure as other events. (Top 4 from each region qualifying to the OFSAA championships)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT: Page 2, Section 1, Events and Classifications b) events (iv) be changed to Open Mixed/co-ed events – 4x400m relay

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT – The current (iv) Para Division & Physical Intellectual Disabilities be changed to (v)

ACTION: DEFEATED

MOTION 2

MOTION ARSENAULT/STEADMAN

Discus

Page S-2, Section 1 - Events and Classifications, b) Events ii) Boys' events - Novice, Junior, Senior - Discus

WHEREAS: the current Playing Regulations shows that the Senior Boys Discus weight to be 1.613kg,

AND WHEREAS: in reality, the actual weight of the discus able to be purchased is 1.60kg.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Change Page S2 - Boys' Events, Senior discus weight to 1.60kg.

ACTION: CARRIED

ULTIMATE – 2 motions

MOTION 1

MOTION WONG/VAIL

PAGE: T-1, SECTION 2-Festival Structure and Procedure

WHEREAS: The Ultimate Festival according to OFSAA by-law cannot be more than 2 days;

AND WHEREAS: Facility availability may be an issue for scheduling and the current Ultimate Sport Specific Directives provide a schedule template;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Section 2 (a) (iii) and 2 (a) (v) be removed and the remaining subsections be renumbered.

ACTION: CARRIED

MOTION 2

MOTION ILAND/VAIL

PAGE: T-5, SECTION 8-Awards

WHEREAS: The Ultimate Festival has a spirit component and an annual OFSAA pennant shall be awarded;

AND WHEREAS: Organizing committees of OFSAA festival events are required to purchase awards as per OFSAA by-law;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Section 8 (c) (iii) be changed to the following:

The Festival organizing committee will purchase an OFSAA spirit banner to be retained by the school.

ACTION: CARRIED

WRESTLING – 2 motions

MOTION 1

MOTION/SHOEBOTTOM/HUMPHREY

Page V-1, Section 1 – Events, Sections 1a and 1b

WHEREAS maintaining the sport of wrestling as an inclusive environment that does not discriminate against any student athletes, no matter what skill set, athletic background, physical ability, or body type.

AND WHEREAS excluding heavy student athletes could be extremely detrimental to that athlete’s self-esteem and self-worth. A student athlete beyond the current limit of the heavyweight class may perceive the message that he/she is “too fat” to wrestle. Exclusion for this kind of reason seems wrong and unfair.

AND WHEREAS Canada Wrestling Lutte has indicated that any wrestling organization can offer any system of weight classes that they want to. Note that U-Sports has different weight classes than International competition, which are different from National competition, which are different from Provincial competition, which are different from High School competition.

AND WHEREAS Ontario Amateur Wrestling Association allows for a super heavy weight classification if demand is sufficient.

AND WHEREAS Excluding student athletes on the basis of physical size could be considered a violation of their Human Rights.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Subsection 1a and 1b be changed to add:

(b) Boys’ Events

(i) Sixteen (16) weight classes will be conducted:

38 Kilograms	51 Kilograms	64 Kilograms	83 Kilograms
41 "	54 "	67.5 "	89 "
44 "	57.5 "	72 "	95 "
47.5 "	61 "	77 "	130 "

(ii) In order to compete in the 130 kg class, a boy must weigh in over 95 kg.

(iii) A super heavy weight class will be created if demand is sufficient. In order to compete in the super heavy weight class, a boy must weigh in over 130 kg. Wrestlers in the super heavy weight class would not score points for their team.

(b) Girls' Events

(i) Thirteen (13) weight classes will be conducted:

41 Kilograms	54 Kilograms	64 Kilograms	77 Kilograms
44 "	57.5 "	67.5 "	83 "
47.5 "	61 "	72 "	115 "
51 "			

(ii) In order to compete in the 115 kg class, a girl must weigh in over 83 kg.

(iii) A super heavy weight class will be created if demand is sufficient. In order to compete in the super heavy weight class, a girl must weigh in over 115 kg. Wrestlers in the super heavy weight class would not score points for their team.

ACTION: CARRIED

MOTION 2

MOTION BASSO/KOURTIS

PAGE: V-5, SECTION 8-Awards

WHEREAS: To be consistent with current policy in regards to additional OFSAA award purchases;

AND WHEREAS: Schools no longer have the option to purchase additional medals;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Section 8 (c) the following be removed and the subsection be renumbered:

The first, second and third place schools will have the option to purchase medals for their athletes at the expense of the school

ACTION: CARRIED