



**Board of Directors Meeting  
Thursday, September 24, 2009**

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Ross Metcalfe, Don Hurton, Dave Sigvaldason, Murray Brown, Jeff Small, Scott Kwasnitza, Ken Hogelund, Fran Taylor, John Potter, Missy Penner, Mark Diboll, Doug Long, Robert Arnason, Nancy Baker, Alex Warburton, Casey Stafford, Morris Glimcher, Carey Lasuik

**REGRETS:** Dennis Pottage, Nick Eliuk, Paul Paquin

**1.0 President's Welcome**

Introductions

President Hurton welcomed everyone to the first board meeting. He looks forward to working with everyone, and as he has stated before, we have an organization that we should be very proud of.

**2.0 Adoption of Agenda**

**Moved:** That the agenda be adopted as circulated

Nancy Baker/Murray Brown  
**CARRIED**

**3.0 Review of the Annual General Meeting**

We received a negative review about the meeting room and service. Morris discussed this issue with the hotel and they apologized and reduced some of the fees.

**3.1 Location of 2010 Meeting**

Morris has looked at facilities in Russell, Brandon and The Pas. After these inquiries, Portage is still the most reasonable facility. He will continue discussions with the Canad Inns on improving the concerns that we experienced.

**4.0 Business Arising from the Annual General Meeting**

**4.1 Funding**

These results were published in the PACER. Due to the various funding formulas of schools and/or divisions, the responses were varied, and no consensus arrived at. Morris's recommendation is to increase zone fees as required. Morris also recommended that if hosts would like to provide a banquet, they be allowed to charge a fee. More discussion to follow.

## **4.2 Discussion Group Summaries**

These results were published in the PACER, and this basically ties into the funding discussions mentioned above. There was a lot of discussion about duplicate, fringe and new sports, but unfortunately no real consensus came out of the discussions.

## **4.3 Provincial Track and Field Championships**

At the June AGM, a motion to amalgamate the two Provincial Track and Field Championships was passed. It will be a three day championship and the 2010 championships will be on June 10, 11 & 12 at the Pan-AM stadium. There will be some conflicts to work around, and some growing pains.

## **4.4 Provincial Championship review committee**

Chairperson, Jeff Small and Morris are looking at the various aspects of a championship from formats, awards, etc. This is ongoing.

## **5.0 Financial Report & Investment Summary**

(To August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2009) – please print and bring to meeting

**MOTION:** To accept the Financial Report and Investment Summary to August 31, 2009 as circulated.

Mark Diboll/Jeff Small  
**CARRIED**

## **6.0 Executive Director's Report**

### **6.1 Sport Manitoba – Building update**

It is anticipated that we will be moving in mid December, along with all the sports in Sport Manitoba to 145 Pacific Ave, by the Museum of Man and Nature. We will be situated on the main floor. (since the board meeting, we have been informed, that this move will now take place in February)

### **6.2 Staffing**

Carey has asked for a one year leave of absence, which has been granted. After 19 years with the MHSAA, he has accepted a new opportunity. His decisions are family oriented.

### **6.3 Hockey Issues**

Morris indicated that hockey issues have been minimal. He explained to the board that there is a goalie policy that allows goalies to participate at another school, if a school has no goalie or only one goalie. The Principals have to submit a letter supporting this, and equal playing time is required for the goalies.

#### **6.4 Coaching Introduction Program**

We are developing a new program called “Call me Coach”. It is oriented for the new Coach in the high school system. It will be focused on how to handle situations that commonly arise. It will be developed in cooperation with Coaching Manitoba and Coaching Association of Canada.

#### **6.5 Co-ops**

There have been some situations where schools have requested to prematurely break the co-op that they are in, to become part of a new co-op, which is often to better their situation. This is contrary to the intent of the co-op. The intent of a co-op is to allow smaller schools to combine with others to have the opportunity to form a team. Co-ops will not be allowed to be dismantled if all schools do not benefit.

#### **6.6 Student Athlete Email**

We would like to provide student athletes the opportunity to participate in discussions and items that take place in the association. Hopefully student athletes could then communicate directly with the MHSAA and educate themselves, and their peers, on these topics. We are hoping to create a Student/Athlete email group.

Casey Stafford is coordinating the inclusion of the MHSAA as part of Facebook. After much discussion, it was decided, that this not be implemented. Schools and divisions have experienced too many negative outcomes of similar ventures. It was still encouraged to promote the email ‘sign up’ idea. This would entail students signing up to receive certain types of correspondence from us.

#### **6.7 Champions Cross Mentoring program**

Will be held October 29 & 30. Student leaders come together to discuss how to make appropriate choices and decisions on drugs, tobacco and alcohol. They in turn, will speak to five classes of grade five students to assist them with the challenges they may face. They are taught how to develop lesson plans, role play, leadership skills and other teaching strategies. All participants pledge that they will be free of these substances during their tenure as a Champions leader. Board members were encouraged to promote the program in their schools and divisions.

### **7.0 Correspondence**

(see other business)

## 8.0 Provincial Championship Board Representation

Golf in Minnedosa	John Potter
Cross Country in Spruce Woods Park	Don Hurton and Jeff Small
Rural Soccer in Steinbach	Casey Stafford and Alex Warburton
JV Urban Volleyball in Winnipeg	Missy Penner
JV Rural Volleyball in Minnedosa and Neepawa	John Potter
“A” Volleyball in Rorketon and Grandview	Dave Sigvaldason
“AA” Volleyball in Lac du Bonnet	Scott Kwasnitza
“AAA” Volleyball in Winnipeg	Nancy Baker
“AAAA” Volleyball in Winnipeg	Nancy Baker and Murray Brown
Curling in Winkler/Morden	Don Hurton and Jeff Small
“AA” Hockey in Killarney	TBA
“AAAA” Hockey in Winnipeg	Ross Metcalfe
JV Rural Basketball in Stienbach	TBA
JV Urban Basketball in Winnipeg	Missy Penner
“A” Basketball in Hamiota and Shoal Lake	John Potter
“AA” Basketball in Boissevain and Killarney	TBA
“AAA” Basketball in Brandon	Alex Warburton
“AAAA” Basketball in Winnipeg	Murray Brown and
Badminton in Winnipeg	Missy Penner
Fastpitch in Morden	Scott Kwasnitza
Baseball in Portage la Prairie	Mark Diboll

## 9.0 Other Business

### 9.1 Trustee Update

As an outcome of last February’s trustee summit, was an idea for school divisions to support a “Membership” fee to the MHSAA. Morris is organizing a meeting to explore this idea. This process will require a lot of discussion and collaboration with the school divisions.

### 9.2 Steinbach Appeal

Submitted an appeal to allow a grade 9 student, in a nearby junior high, to play for their high school soccer team.

**MOTION:** to accept the appeal from Steinbach

Ross Metcalfe/Murray Brown  
**DEFEATED**

## **10.0 New Business**

### **10.1 “AAAA” Championships – Security**

In recent years, we have had some security issues at our venues for our “AAAA” volleyball, basketball and hockey championships, usually when held at our Universities and arenas, because it is a big venue, attracting a large audience. Because of incidents in the stands and extremely messy washrooms, we have had to hire security. It was discussed whether the MHSAA should be paying this cost, or should it be shared with the “AAAA” Schools. After some discussion, it was decided that our association should absorb these costs. We are being proactive in submitting a letter to administrators stating the expectations for behaviour of their fans at these events.

### **10.2 2010 Cross Country Championship Dates**

This year, we moved the Cross Country Running Championship to a later date, due to the late start of school. It was suggested that we move the 2010 Cross Country Running Championships to a later date. This is to be evaluated after this year’s championship.

### **10.3 Hall of Fame Induction**

Our inaugural Hall of Fame induction will be Tuesday, October 6 at the Holiday Inn South. Recipients are:

Todd McCulloch - basketball player from Shaftesbury high school

Bob Town - athlete from Churchill High School

David Mckay- Wrestler from River East Collegiate

Angela Chalmers – track and field athlete from Neelin.

Garth Pischke – athlete from Sturgeon Heights

Daniel McIntyre football team who won the provincial championships from 1947-1952

## **11.0 Adjournment**

**Motion:** to adjourn

**Mark Diboll**

**The Current Board Meeting dates are:**

**Monday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>,  
Thursday, February 25<sup>th</sup>,  
Monday, April 26<sup>th</sup>**

**If you have any conflicts, please advise.**