



**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
Friday November 4, 2011  
Sport For Life Center  
145 Pacific Avenue**

**In Attendance:** Scott Kwasnitza, Robert Arnason, Murray Brown, David Ladyman, Art Koop, Jon Zilkey, Keith Paterson, Christy Steeves, Stacy Hawash, Marvin Gundrum, Chris Gudzunias, Morris Glimcher, Greg Jarvis

**Regrets:** Rick Martin, Tammy Macdonald, Don Hurton, John Chandler, Lauren Wiebe, Brian McMillan, Dennis Pottage

**1.0 President's Welcome** – Meeting called to order 9:35 am. David Ladyman was welcomed to the Board.

**1.1 In Memoriam** - A moment of silence was observed for Evan Dupuis of St. John's Ravenscourt School who tragically passed away during a soccer practice earlier in the fall.

**2.0 Adoption of Agenda**

**Motion:** To accept agenda as circulated. Murray Brown/Christy Steeves  
**Carried**

**3.0 Adoption of September 26 Minutes**

**Motion:** To accept the minutes from September 26, 2011 meeting as circulated.  
Art Koop/Robert Arnason  
**Carried**

**4.0 Business arising from September 26 Meeting**

**4.1 SAG - Athletic Administrators Course**

The Call Me Coach session was cancelled due to minimal interest, only one registrant. Athletic Administrator Course had 24 registrants, and was very well received. MHSAA will continue to look at working with Alberta to host more of these professional development sessions.

**4.2 Milk Run**

The event took place on October 5<sup>th</sup> at Harbourview, with 1700 student athletes participating. Event was again very successful and Dairy Farmers are very pleased with the outcome. We will be looking to continue with the run again next year.

### **4.3 Champions Cross Mentoring Program**

This was very successful with 72 participants taking part. Feedback received to date has been very positive. Christy Steeves, Sarah Lundgren and Cheryl Collins facilitated the course and did a terrific job. There were some excellent guest speakers, and interaction with the students was great.

### **5.0 Financial report and Investment Summary (to September 30)**

**Motion:** To accept the financial report as circulated

Murray Brown/Christy Steeves

**Carried**

### **6.0 Executive Director Report**

#### **6.1 CSSF Annual Meeting**

The meeting, which was held in St. John's Newfoundland, was very successful with a lot of good information sharing taking place. Many of the issues being faced nationwide are very similar, in relation to appeals, transfers, and eligibility. Human right challenges are coming forward on eligibility and transfers more often. Transgender issues are starting to come forward. Discussions are still ongoing with Nike in relation to a possible national invitation track & field meet. Scott felt this was very educational for him and gained a great deal of knowledge about school sport across the country.

#### **6.2 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Update**

Promotion has started on the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. A banner has been made up and will be displayed at various events, and Morris was on CJOB promoting the plans for the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations. Requests for nominations for Athletes, coaches, teams, volunteers have gone out. We will be recognizing Volunteers from each zone, along with teams and athletes of the Decades. MHSAA is looking at April 20<sup>th</sup> for a one day coaching clinic, with 4 keynote speakers, and will be targeting 500 participants. This will be in partnership with Sport Manitoba and Coaching Manitoba. We have received a grant from Manitoba Education to use towards the celebration and are in the process of approaching companies for support of the celebration as well. Manitoba Teacher's Society declined the opportunity to support this, as it does not fit into their funding guidelines.

#### **6.3 2012 Zone Reorganization**

We have a chair in place for this and are in the process of filling the remaining spots on the committee. Terms of references for the committee are also being developed.

#### **6.4 Social Media**

We are looking at best practices and policies for the use of social media. Also looking at striking a student advisory committee headed by the board

student representatives. We will be looking at establishing an MHSAA facebook page.

#### **6.5 Membership Survey**

MHSAA will continue to use this as a tool to collect information from the membership on various topics. We are currently looking at conducting a survey to collect feedback on hazing, and the use of social media.

#### **6.6 Cross Country Results**

We had some issues with the accuracy of results at Cross-country championships the past few years. As a result we are exploring the use of Meet Manager software for results to help eliminate some problems. We would also like to investigate further changing the competition categories to A/AA and AAA/AAAA. Many of the problems are caused by schools entering athletes incorrectly.

#### **6.7 Sponsors**

MTS will be back on board as a sponsor of the organization. Centaur Products would also like to come on as an MHSAA sponsor.

**Motion:** To accept the Executive Directors Report as provided.

Marvin Gundrum/Christy Steeves

**Carried**

#### **7.0 Correspondence**

Nothing to report

#### **8.0 Other Business**

##### **8.1 Hosting Events on Remembrance Day**

MHSAA currently does not support hosting tournaments on Remembrance Day, and has left this to the administration of schools to choose whether they compete or not. We will be looking at developing some guidelines on this topic. The topic will be revisited at the next board meeting. It was suggested the MHSAA not sanction any tournaments prior to 1:00 pm on Remembrance Day.

##### **8.2 Hazing- Spring Captains Conference**

There have been some requests by school trustees for MHSAA to provide some guidelines/policies on the issue of hazing. It was felt this is primarily an issue that must be handled at the school level. MHSAA has and will continue to take the role as educator on the topic and to help provide schools and division with information and tools to deal with the issue. MHSAA will add links to already existing resources for schools to use to develop their own policies and guidelines. MHSAA will also look at developing an organizational statement on hazing.

### **8.3 Portage Collegiate “AAA” Basketball**

Portage Collegiate had requested to be considered “AAA” in terms of hosting basketball tournaments. We will continue to monitor, but at this time there will be no changes made.

### **9.0 Provincial Championship Representation**

Curling, February 9, 10 & 11 in Swan Lake – Don Hurton

JV A/AA Girls Basketball in Grandview March 8-10 – TBA

JV A/AA Boys Basketball in Lac Du Bonnet March 8-10 – Art Koop

JV AAA/AAAA Basketball in Winnipeg March 8-10 – Stacy Hawash

A Girls Basketball in Fisher Branch March 15-17 – Jon Zilkey

A Boys Basketball in St. Laurent March 15-17 – Christy Steeves

AA Girls basketball in Neepawa march 15-17 – TBA

AA Girls Basketball in Minnedosa march 15-17 – TBA

AAA Basketball in Thompson March 15-17 – TBA

AAAA Basketball in Winnipeg March 19 – Scott Kwasnitza

### **10.0 Adjournment**

**Next Meeting – Friday, February 10, 2012**