

## Battle West - Executive Meeting

December 2, 2025

1. Meeting called to order 1:02
2. Roll Call:  
Present: Greg Knot, Troy, Graeme, Cam, Kristina, Rachelle, Ryan, Tyson, Damien, Eric, Mary, Tonya, Greg Mamer  
Regrets: Paul
  - a. President/Treasurer: Greg Knot
  - b. Vice-President: Troy Snider
  - c. Officials Commissioner: Graeme Gieni
  - d. Secretary: Kristina Binette
  - e. LOC Rep: Tyson Volk
  - f. Member at Large
    - i. Ryan Nickell
    - ii. Rachelle Kennedy
    - iii. Paul Sarsons
  - g. Independent Schools Rep: Damien Schmidt
  - h. First Nations Rep: Cameron Foulds
  - i. Honorary AD – Greg Mamer
3. Adoption of Agenda and Last Meeting's minutes:  
Mover: Greg Mamer Seconder: Eric  
Motion carried.
4. Business arising from minutes
  - a. Hosting (let SHSAA know at President's meeting)
    - i. 3A Girls Soccer (Moosomin)
    - ii. 5A Girls Soccer
    - iii. 4A Boys Soccer (Poundmaker)
    - iv. 1A Boys Volleyball - Maymont?
    - v. 3A Boys Volleyball
    - vi. 4A Boys Volleyball
  - b. BW Sportsmanship Award - send nominations
    - i. Volleyball
      1. Nominations have been emailed to Greg K
      2. Continue to send any nominations
  - c. Official Treasurer report
    - i. See attached report
    - ii. Upcoming costs (Purchase of medals, banners, ribbons)
      1. Will see where we are at around AGM time compared to last year
      2. Ryan will look into ribbons

Motion for 3 years of medals and plaques by Greg K. Seconder: Eric  
Motion is carried  
Banners keep doing yearly.  
AGM part of things - last year \$250/participant if you could. Might have to revisit.

  - d. Doubles Curling:

- i. Fees - consensus on \$160 max. Agreed
  - ii. Open category - junior and senior categories
    - 1. Juniors can send 2 open doubles teams to Districts
  - iii. District Championship - athletes only play on one team (4 person OR 2 person)
  - iv. Looking for direction from SHSAA
- e. Assignments coming up
  - i. Who can go to what District Championships
    - 1. We need BW reps at each District Championships to take photos and represent the District.
      - a. Basketball:
        - i. 1A Boys (Kerrobert) - Troy
        - ii. 1A Girls (Kerrobert) - Troy
        - iii. 2A Boys (Unity) - Graeme
        - iv. 2A Girls (NBCHS) - Rachelle
      - b. Curling:
        - i. Jr (Unity) - Graeme
        - ii. Sr (NBCHS) - Ryan N
- f. Activity Rotation update
  - i. Curling - dates
    - 1. Jr Districts - Unity - Feb 25 & 26
    - 2. Sr Districts - NBCHS - Feb 10 & 11
- g. Purchases/ordering/organization:
  - i. Medals, Banners, Ribbons Plaques for next 3 years
  - ii. Motion was made and carried.
- h. Ribbons and medals
  - i. Everything is ready for this year
  - ii. Would like to order everything now so it is ready before the start of next year and can be handed out at opening meeting
- i. Junior Soccer - May 14, 2026 (alternate date May 21)
- j. Important things missing?
  - i. Officials' Report
    - 1. Fall sports went fairly well. Still short senior officials for Provs and playoffs.
    - 2. Senior Soccer - a few iffy things coaches were unhappy with calls. Overall, it went well.
    - 3. Green Whistles - new initiative. For any new official regardless of age. Schools will be billed for the whistles they ordered.
    - 4. SBOC - online officials clinic facilitated through SHSAA. SBOC has a rural committee.
    - 5. Youth Officials Bball Clinic - can look for the recording on the SHSAA YouTube channel.
    - 6. Nice hustle on finding Football Officials' Graeme!! High fives to you!

- ii. Positions opening up after this year - nominations needed 1 week prior
  - 1. President
  - 2. Treasurer -

k. Discussion Items:

- i. BW volunteer recognition - a resolution?
  - 1. Over 180 hrs, submit name with principal and AD signature - draw will be made - 1 draw. Prize value not to exceed \$300 ish. Something BW branded (cooler, etc)
    - a. Ended up being COOP Cards (\$200)
  - 2. Who looks after the hours? Submitting the hours to BW?
    - a. Principals will submit names to Greg.

Discussion:

- 3. We have to make it more standardized so it's sustainable year over year.
- 4. Names were sent in well after the deadline.
- 5. Should we recognize more than 1 person? Split the \$300 between 3 people? Cam will look into getting something additional (beaded medallions?).
- 6. Focus on Athletics - list vetted by AD and Principal
- 7. What was the feedback? Received positively. We could post the list on the BW website? Coaches - can be community coaches.
- 8. Are we asking people to track differently? Athletics vs drama?
- 9. Can we make a form and have both AD and Principals sign?
- 10. Tonya will create guidelines for how this will work...it is clear? Dates? Who will the names go to? VP will be sent the names! What date do we want people to submit by? The date will be after junior golf Districts.
- ii. Defining discipline - some candid conversations, an uptick in the number of problems last year, this year?
  - 1. Collecting school team fees is a struggle
    - a. Was good last year, took more work this year
      - i. Still missing some - have contacted. Canada Post was an issue. Missing some of the levy. Conversations are happening! Some teams were added later.
      - ii. Should we have the team registration date later? We need the money to come in and operate.
      - iii. Withdrawal date if you need to withdraw...will get a refund by cheque.
      - iv. Email team registration forms to Admin also?
      - v. Why so much money this year? Looking back at past invoices

- vi. What is the levy? \$2/student fee from grades 7-12 from Independent Schools.
  - 2. Other?
  - 3. Pretty good fall overall.
- iii. New AD's at the beginning of the year
  - 1. Checklist to help with dates and tasks .
  - 2. Reports - pre-write and send out with the minutes and agenda so people have a chance to read them and come prepared with questions.
  - 3. Create a google doc that we all add to throughout the year. Month per month.
  - 4. New AD orientation?
    - a. Before or after fall meeting
    - b. SHSAA had a new AD workshop.
    - c. Checklist? Calendar?
    - d. Include The Constitution?
- iv. Outstanding fees from schools
  - 1. -
  - 2. -
- l. Track and field canteen
  - i. Confirmation by spring meeting/open bid?
    - 1. Confirm by spring meeting. If not, open bid. Open bids due by spring meeting. If open bids, submit 1 week prior to the spring meeting.
      - a. Chief Little Pine and Spiritwood are scheduled for this spring
      - b. Canteen might consider the "Tap" feature for payment.
- m. Anything else?
  - i. Book a block of rooms under BW for Track? Cross Country?
    - 1. Ryan will look into this for XC (2025) and Track (2026)
    - 2. People don't want them (XC people).
    - 3. Cancellation time is a problem.
    - 4. Tabled for the paid AD position...
  - ii. Hosted Provincials:
    - 1. JP II - Successful!
    - 2. Moosomin - heartbreaking...4 losses in close games and 2 injuries. Games were competitive. Officials were good for the most part. BATC first-aid ambulance was on-site. The opening ceremonies went well. Introduced many athletes and schools to Indigenous Culture.
    - 3. Can we have the BATC ambulance at District T&F? Will look into this. Cam knows a guy.
- n. Spring AGM date: Tuesday, March 31, 2026
- o. Battle West Clothing: who wants to take this on? Binette & Graeme - there will be an email chain 😊

- p. Flag Football - District Jamboree for girls this year. Next year a Prov Jamboree. The next year it would be an official SHSAA sport.
  - i. Female
  - ii. We should do this.
  - iii. See attached paper.
  - iv. Up in the air as to how we want to do this. Junior and Senior combined?
  - v. The committee: Greg K, Troy, Cam
- q. ACM Count - still waiting on a few schools...submitted numbers so SHSAA has numbers for the AGM
- r. Football Review Concern (Eric)
  - i. Is there a better appeal process?
  - ii. Greg K has forwarded the email to the Football SAG.
  - iii. SHSAA does not govern leagues.
  - iv. The football SAG is looking at it.
- s. Cross Country Provincials - Sat. Oct 17, 2026.
  - i. Location (Table Mountain?) Binette & Graeme to contact Table Mountain
  - ii. Volunteers - 5 volunteers from every school in SHSAA sports in any way in BW.
  - iii. Mary is the Marshall!
- t. Things to be aware of
  - i. **15 Passenger van procedures - Living Sky School Division**
  - ii. Comments from the XC Commissioner from this last year
- u. Positions that will come open
  - i. President
  - ii. Treasurer
  - iii. Website Manager (will update the website)
- v. 7v7 soccer
  - i. Ryan N - it is not a provincial sport anymore. Not getting the numbers, especially girls. Would a senior jamboree be a better option in the spring? Can we do a flag football jamboree and senior jamboree at the same time of year?

5. Adjourn: 3:53

6. Motion: Rachele Carried.

Hey Greg,

Here are some random thoughts of mine from this past weekend, some more important than others.

The timing crew was amazing, they made things so much easier. All I had to do was coordinate with Jonathan about exactly where he was going to set up, when they could set up and they did the rest. No more typing and making stickers. They really added to the whole experience by playing music and announcements. They also let us use their speakers for the opening ceremonies which was more effective than using a megaphone.

Registration Tables – Jonathan hands out all the race bibs to the coaches himself, not your workers at the registration tables like past years. I still had students work the registration tables because we were supposed to hand out wristbands to coaches for free admission. Also, there was lots of SHSAA items being dropped off due to the Canada Post strike.

### **What worked for me**

- A 2km loop with a 1km loop within that 2km loop is a must. We had all 6 groups walk the 2km loop stopping at the 1 km detour and 2km detour depending on their category. This allowed us to stay on time. It still took the groups 30 minutes to walk 2km. You only have to wait 1-2 minutes between groups.
- The new starting times that are now every 30 minutes allowed all the races to stay on time. I believe only the final race started a couple minutes late. This was also partially due to us delaying the race before because of one of the athletes being sick at the finish line.
- Lots of flags and rope to ensure athletes knew where they were running. I had 22 students on the course to help with detours and ensuring athletes knew where they were on the course.
- Being on a golf course, we were able to have a golf cart follow behind the last runner, so we always knew where the last person was. Jeff was on a golf cart at the front live streaming, so it would be interesting to see if he would like to continue that next year.

### **Improvements**

Bathrooms – I should have brought in 4-8 porta potties to help with the lineup. We had 10 stalls/urinals, and they could not keep up.

Gate – We ran out of change in the first 30 minutes. I guess people do not carry loonies and toonies anymore. I was told people were paying with \$100 bills. So have more change than not, we would have had around 400 people pay for admission. If you are up to it, maybe set up a [Square](#) to allow for debit and credit payments.

Milk – You will need 10 big coolers to store all the milk. I had to grab a couple more last minute to store all the milk.

Water/Medical – It was a warmer day than usual at provincials but still only 22C but we had lots of athletes collapsing at the finish line. My volunteers were not prepared for that, some scarred haha. We did have an athletic therapist on site to help with the more severe cases. Two athletes ended up going to the hospital, I believe one was from your area. The other athlete was transported by ambulance. I think they were anomalies, but you could have a couple cases of water to provide to athletes. I believe it is more the responsibility of athletes, coaches and parents so maybe make a note in the handbook that you create or talk about it at the coaches meeting for people to come more prepared. It is up to you about the course of action you take.

(Ryan Cox-CC commissioner)