

402 Website / SAC Rep info

Please check the information on the website for your school. Principal's name, school address and phone number, SAC rep's name, email address, bus routes and directions to your school. If you have any changes, please send them into Amanda by email.

SAC Rep info– please send in your contact information if you didn't in August, or if the SAC rep has changed or your information has changed (email, cell number)

403 Score sheets & Sportsline / Registration / Commitment forms

Please make sure your coaches are sending in their scoresheets on time and filled in properly with game numbers and dates.

Please also make sure your coaches are calling the sportsline the night of the game with the score. Once the scores are uploaded for that day, a \$10 fine will be issued for a score not called in.

You can get your coaches to check the "Form Checklist" on each sport's page to make sure that all the required paperwork is in the office. Check the date at the top of the page to make sure the checklist has been recently updated.

This year we have had a problem with Player Registration Forms not being sent in before the teams' first games. As a result, teams are playing games with ineligible (overage) players and we at the office are having to go back and default games retroactively. When the forms come in, we double check the ages and if someone is too old, we contact the SAC rep immediately to double-check the age. Please have your coaches send in their forms before their first game so we can prevent these types of defaults from happening.

404 Fall & Winter Summary (Date changes for winter events)

A sheet was handed out with the Fall Sports Summary of teams.

Another sheet was also handed out with all the date changes of various winter events. We have had trouble confirming swimming dates and therefore have had to switch around Cross Country Skiing and Indoor Track and Field events as a result. These changes are posted on the GMAA Calendar online, but will not show up in the printed calendars that were distributed at the beginning of the year.

405 Invoices

Each school will find their Fall invoice and statement in their package, please check them and let us know if there are any mistakes. For the most part a team with no fines will be getting a credit for the season. Please be sure to let your coaches know about their teams' credits based on your statements, some didn't know that the school was credited on its account for the surplus. Some schools have still not paid their fall payments, or their payments from last year - please get those in immediately. Surcharges are reflected for payments that are not yet in. Fines letters will be sent out to the schools shortly, they are sent to any school who has amassed \$50 or more in fines for the Fall Season. Checks were also handed out to Volleyball schools for their scorer payments.

406 Withdrawals & Ejections

The number of ejections overall has decreased, the number of defaults in the fall also decreased. Unfortunately the number of withdrawals has increased wreaking havoc on the schedules. Some teams are only left with 8-9 games as a result of these withdrawals, and other teams have had to schedule more games against teams within their section in order to make up games.

407 Schedule changes

To date we have 37 changes on the basketball schedule. 37 games changed out of 321 games played, not including games to be removed and others to be rescheduled due to teams pulling out of the league (3 withdrawals in bball, meant re-adjusting the schedules of the remaining teams). There is still a \$10 charge for all changes after the five day grace period that are not an emergency. Also changes are not accepted after noon the day before the scheduled game.

408 Sponsors / Media Coverage

In your packages there is a letter from Black Knight (Badminton Sponsor) offering to help out our badminton coaches. For more information contact the person directly.

Media Coverage – the Suburban still covers the GMAA activities in each paper, with full page articles and color photos.

409 Post-Season Evaluation Sheet

This form exists on the GMAA website. If you or your coaches are interested in providing us with some feedback after the season is over, just download it, fill it out and send it in. You can also just send in an email with the information.

Here are the proposed Handbook revisions and changes from the Fall and Winter Pre-Season Sports Committee Meetings.

Volleyball

New Net Heights	GMAA
Bantam Girls	2m15
Midget Girls	2m24
Juvenile Girls	2m24
Bantam Boys	2m24
Midget Boys	2m35
Juvenile Boys	2m43

Curling

Governing rule iii. It was moved that the following rule apply to **the playoffs only**.

A team playing with less than eight players shall be penalized two (2) points on the score board for each missing player. If only 7 boys and/or girls are available, the second team will use only three players. If only 6 boys and/or girls are available each team will play with 3. A school will forfeit the match with less than 6 players.

Playoffs: It was moved that the playoff games consist of **six ends** to be consistent with the regular season, and to allow time for an extra end and shootout if necessary.

Tie break procedures: If at the end of regulation, the game is tied because:

1. Both sheets are tied

- an extra end will be played on each sheet.
- If this does not break the tie, there will be a 4 rock shootout on each sheet. If necessary, this will be repeated until the tie is broken.

2. Each school has a win:

- an extra end will be played between the two winning teams, on a new sheet of ice. A coin toss will determine last rock.
- If this does not break the tie, a 4 rock shootout will determine the winner.

Hockey

For Juvenile Boys, On a 1 year trial basis **The maximum number of "AA" SKATERS will be increased to 7 per game. (Goalies are not included in this maximum). Of these 7, the maximum number of "espoir" players will be 5.**

A motion was put on the floor to accept the motions in block.

Moved: Jayson Steill – RHS

Seconded: William Cho – MMA

Vote: For → 29

Opposed → 0

Abstentions → 8

Motions are carried

411 Spring Activities and Playoffs starting times

The office would like to remind the SAC reps that in the spring starting times for games will be later due to the in-class exams that take place and the fact that early dismissals are impossible to get. All Spring Playoff games will start at 4:15pm or later.

412 MVP Dinner - Location, Speaker, Date

The MVP Dinner will be held at the Crown Plaza again this year on June 5th, 2013. If anyone has possibilities for a speaker, please send their contact information into the office.

413 **RSEQ Report – AMANDA**

GMAA did not attend the RSEQ Golf Provincials this year. It was held the Thursday and Friday before Thanksgiving in Quebec City.

28 students and 3 chaperones from 9 schools participated in the RSEQ Cross Country Provincials October 19-20 in Chicoutimi.

Upcoming Provincials

Indoor Soccer (April 5-6-7, 2013) – Bantam TBA, Midget TBA, Juvenile – St Laurent (LSL)

Indoor Track and Field (April 13, 2013) – Quebec City (QCA)

Basketball (April 12-13-14, 2013) – Bantam Three Rivers, Midget and Juvenile Girls – St Laurent (LSL), Midget and Juvenile Boys – Jeanne Mance, Montreal (MTL)

Volleyball (April 12-13-14, 2013) – Bantam Rouyn Noranda (AT), Midget Sherbrooke (CE), Juvenile Riviere du Loup (EQ)

Badminton (April 26-27-28, 2013) – Drummondville

Outdoor Track and Field (June 7-8-9, 2013) – Chicoutimi

DeFacto – Robin recently sent out a package containing posters on the **DeFacto Anti-smoking Campaign**, which is being widely promoted in the French media. This campaign is directed towards student athletes who are acting as non-smoking role-models for their peers. The posters direct kids to the web-site which is an interactive game with statistics on smoking. Please let us know if you would like to get further involved in this campaign and thank you once again for helping to get these messages out to your kids. (LBPSB and EMSB should have received theirs and those for private schools are being handed out at the meeting in the cardboard boxes)

Annual Report: Every year we have to send our 'annual report' to the URLs. Amanda made up a report (see attached) before the AGM that included all the reports and photos from various GMAA activities. If you would like a copy of the report, let us know and we can send it to you. We have some copies printed for information.

414 Championship Venues

Thank you to Loyola and LCCHS for hosting Volleyball and Soccer Showcase Championships this fall.

Upcoming Showcase Championship Events:

Basketball - BIAL (girls) and JRHS (boys)

Hockey – LCC

Indoor Soccer – PCHS

Wrestling – KSS

Swimming – Cote St Luc Pool

Additions:

501 Bantam Participation Rule (not only apply to Bantam)

Trevor from Riverdale brought up an issue that his Bantam Girls Basketball team is having. Unfortunately some of the students on the team do not want to have to play two shifts during the game (which is the minimum number of shifts in order to meet participation). He would like to see the participation rule changed to something similar to the FBBQ participation rule. (Have a minimum number of players and only have to meet participation for that minimum. A motion was put on the floor by Trevor that says that he would like to keep the minimum number of 8 players for a GMAA game, but that only those 8 players have to meet participation, regardless of how many students are dressed for either team.

There was no seconder for this motion. Most of the other SAC reps voiced their concern that this rule change would go against the whole idea of participation.

502 Cross Country Issues

Elad from HZHS brought up his concern that during this years' Cross Country Run on Mont Royal, some students were wearing headphones. Issues arose since the spotters (and finish line people) were not able to direct these students in the correct path since they couldn't hear the directions. The reverse side of this argument is that students use their music as a motivator. A motion was put on the floor that no headphones be permitted during the Cross Country Run, Halo Road Race or Cross Country Skiing Races.

Moved: Elad Ben Eli

Seconded: Marc Faubert

Vote: For → 36

Opposed → 0

Abstentions → 1

Motion is carried. Any student who starts the race with headphones all will be disqualified.

503 Game cancellation communication procedure

Elad from HZHS brought up an issue where his coach did not know about a game cancellation prior to the game. The office assumes that when they are told the other team confirmed the change or cancellation that it's in fact true. If the cancellation is done at the last minute, the office will also phone the school to make sure they get the info. The SAC reps requested that the GMAA send out the coaches lists to all coaches in that section. The

SAC reps also requested that the GMAA come up with a blank form that coaches can fill out at the scheduling meetings to exchange emails and get up-to-date contact information immediately.

415 Office issues

The GMAA Discipline rules are put into place by the coaches and SAC reps of the association. The GMAA office does not put any rules into place; they merely enforce the rules put into place by the coaches, SAC Reps and Board of Directors. If you or your coaches would like to make a change to a rule, there is a process to do so. Please do not ask the office to change or ignore the rules in order to benefit your school.

The office is receiving more and more complaints from various parties (Coaches, SAC Reps, Parents, even students!!) and unfortunately the complaints are becoming more and more rude as the years go on. SAC reps have requested that the GMAA office send a report of any complaint (email or phone call) coming from their school so that they can follow up with it on a school-level.

The office has also heard from numerous referees regarding the fact the minor officials (people at the table) at our schools have no clue what they are doing. The scorers, timers, 24-second clock operators, should be briefed before the start of the game, cell phones (texting, emailing, tweeting, facebook, etc) will not be permitted at the table. The GMAA has a set of guidelines for Basketball Minor Officials that they will be sending out to all SAC Reps.

A recommendation was put on the floor that the competition committee call a meeting and be mandated to discuss the possibility of re-introducing a Division 2 to GMAA competition.

A motion was put on the floor to adjourn.

Moved: Andy D'Allessandro – LMAC

Seconded: Kathleen Cook – TRAF

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