

# **DOMINION SPORTS COMMITTEE**

## **Meeting Minutes**

**14 July 2022**

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## **DOMINION SPORTS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

### **PARTICIPANTS:**

#### **Sports Committee**

Brian Weaver	-	Chair
Jerry Lava	-	Vice-Chair
Nathan Lehr	-	Member
Keith Andrews	-	Member
Serge Thibaudeau	-	Member
Steven Van Muyen	-	Committee Coordinator

### **1. OPENING RITUAL**

The meeting commenced at 13:06 hours EST. 14 July 2022, via Zoom videoconferencing. The chair conducted the opening ritual.

### **2. SPORTS COMMITTEE CHAIR'S REMARKS.**

The chair welcomed the committee members and thanked them for their attendance.

### **3. 2022 NATIONAL YOUTH TRACK AND FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS**

A brief update regarding the 2022 Legion National Youth Track and Field Championships was provided. It was explained that all participating teams would be providing their team nominal rolls no later than 15 July 2022. It was also briefed that all transportation, meals, and accommodations had been confirmed and the remaining time before the start of the event would be used to assign individuals / teams to their transportation and accommodation requirements. Additionally, the sports coordinator stated that the opening ceremony, receptions, closing banquet, and event day had all been confirmed and that final preparation would include sending invitations and specific on-site set up requirements. Two concerns related to the 2022 Legion Nationals were briefly discussed:

- A. Air Transport. As is well known, air transport in Canada is currently facing significant challenges from cancelled flights to lost baggage. Teams travelling via air have been advised to ship or carry on any items of importance (equipment). However, the majority of concerns are out of our control and the sports committee is prepared to be reactionary to whatever situation may occur.  
In addition, the sports coordinator informed the committee that changes to flights were extremely difficult to coordinate this year as a result of air travel challenges in Canada. Therefore, Provincial Commands were informed that flight changes would not be possible unless the situation is an emergency.
- B. Covid-19. The current covid-19 situation in Canada was discussed as it continues to evolve and change at a rapid pace. It was explained that DC is

well positioned to deal with any Covid-19 cases at the event as outlined in the 2022 Legion Nationals Covid-19 Safety Plan. Additionally, the event itself will continue to ensure that it follows the guidelines of the local public health authority. Therefore, it was determined that the best course of action was to continue to follow local public health guidelines and to trust in the process outlined in the Covid-19 Safety Plan.

In addition to the above, it was also communicated that the organizing committee will need to have a plan in place in the event that an official(s) become sick with Covid-19. The sports coordinator confirmed that they would discuss this plan with the organizing committee.

**ACTION: Committee Coordinator**

**4. 2023 SPORTS BUDGETS**

Projections for the 2023 sports budgets, and changes from 2022, were presented to the committee with justifications to all changes. The 2023 budgets that were presented were the following:

- A. 2023 Track and Field Budget. It was explained that this budget will see significant increases given inflationary costs across the country. Specifically, the projected 2023 budget includes significant increases in transportation and meal costs. These changes can be attributed to a rise in prices on all materials and services. Additionally, taxes for meals and residences are included in the projected 2023 budget which was not the case in the 2022 budget. Overall, the increase to the budget is projected at \$71,950. The committee coordinator provided a justification for each line item that was increased. It was also communicated that although the costs will increase, there may be an opportunity to increase our sponsorship to help off set those costs.
- B. Sports Committee Budget. It was briefed that there was no requirement for an increase in the sports committee budget if the sports committee continues to conduct meetings virtually in 2023.

**MOTION**: It was moved that the Dominion Sports Committee conduct all committee meetings virtually in the year 2023.

**CARRIED**

- C. Dominion Member Sports Championships. It was communicated that the 2023 Dominion Member Sports Championships budget would need to increase slightly based on re-calculated travel costs. Transportation (flights and mileage) have increased over the last year which has created the necessity to increase the projected 2023 budget for member sports championships. There is an overall increase of \$2,540 in the projected budget.

**MOTION**: It was moved that the projected 2023 budgets for the Dominion Sports Committee be accepted as presented.

**CARRIED**

**5. CLOSING RITUAL AND ADJOURNMENT**

The chair concluded the meeting by thanking the participants for attending. The meeting adjourned at 14:45 hours EST on 14 July 2022 and the chair conducted the closing ritual.



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Brian Weaver  
Chair



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Steven Van Muyen  
Coordinator

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