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VI AASCA ATHLETIC DIRECTOR CONFERENCE MINUTES

(September 8-11, 2011)

Host : Marian Baker School (MBS), San Jose, Costa Rica

Present: Elaminta Hernandez (American School of Tegucigalpa, AST); Raquel Rodriguez (American School of El Salvador, EAS); Rob Simmons (International School of Panama, ISP); Julio Porras (Marian Baker School, MBS); Glenda Pearson (Country Day School, CDS); Frans Scholls (Lincoln, Costa Rica),Oswaldo Ortiz F. (American Nicaraguan School, ANS); Ernesto Argumedo (Panamerican School of El Salvador); Luis Perez (Colegio Internacional de San Salvador, CISS) ; Juan Santamaria Escuela Internacional Sampedrana, EIS); Daniel Mitchell (Mazapan School); Pablo Sánchez (Maya, Guatemala); Mario Díaz (Colegio Interamericano de Guatemala, CIG) ; Henry González (Colegio Americano de Guatemala, CAG).

1. Revision of General Guidelines that rule AASCA sports events. All ADs.
2. Revision of specific Rules and Regulations that govern soccer, basketball and volleyball in AASCA events. All ADs.

Significant changes

- Banners will be given to the first and second place only. Trophies will be no longer given out. (Only to the teams winning the Sportsmanship Award). Implementation of this decision will become effective for events as of 2012. A sample of the banner is provided at the last page of this document. The host schools will choose the colors of the banners..
 - Basketball will now play 10-minute running times instead of eight. However, the clock will still be stopped for the last two or three minutes as has been done up to now.
 - Volleyball and basketball rosters of Small Schools can have now up to 12 players just as Large Schools. In the past Smalls Schools used to have a maximum of 10 players in the rosters.
 - Soccer can have now 18 players in both divisions, Small and Large schools. In the past Small schools used to register a maximum of 16 players and Large schools 18.
 - The inauguration ceremony for the different events can be also organized on the arrival day and not only on the first day of competition as it was done historically.
 - During the inauguration ceremony, it will depend on the host school to play "La Granadera" or the National Anthems of the participating countries.
3. Presentation of Ph. D. Luis Fernando Aragon on "Athlete Hydration in AASCA Sports Events"
 4. Oswaldo Ortiz F. (ANS) was reelected as President of AASCA Athletic Directors. Henry Gonzalez (CAG) was elected as Vice President.
 5. Due to the lack of time at the Conference, some ADs were appointed to do some specific work and share the information via email as soon as possible and as follows:
 - Lincoln, CDS, MBS will refine the four main documents worked on during this Conference.
 - EAS and EIS will complete the historical statistics for Large Schools.



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- All members of Small Schools will check their files and trophy cases and provide historical statistics to Oswaldo Ortiz F. in order for him to complete that information for Small Schools.
 - EIS will provide sample rubrics on how to develop the rules for an eventual AASCA Sports Hall of Fame.
 - EIS will provide sample rubrics on how to improve choosing the winner of the Sportsmanship Award at AASCA sports events.
 - EAS will work on sample rubrics for field delegates, administrators and referees who serve at AASCA sports matches.
 - EAS will work on a sample of rules and regulations for cross country events.
6. Recommendations from ADs to AASCA Directors-General. Taking advantage of the fact that the current AASCA President, Ms. Linda Niehaus, is also the DG of MBS, ADs asked her to take note of the following recommendations that came out in this meeting:
- AASCA Athletics Directors Conferences need to be scheduled yearly and not every two years as it has been up to now. There are always too many things to work on and waiting two years to evaluate certain things related to tournaments and their organization is too long.
 - ADs respectfully suggested that if either DGs or AASCA officers make any decision that impacts the organization of AASCA sports events, these should be communicated to the ADs through the AD President.
 - HS Principals/DGs should avoid scheduling AASCA sports events that could be in conflict with other major events such as Tri -Association conferences, SATs, national elections, etc.
 - HS Principals/DGs should avoid scheduling two AASCA events involving the same sport on the same dates in the same country. The number of available officials (referees) is not large enough to cover both tournaments.
 - HS Principals/DGs should inform the AD President about incoming Athletic Directors. The goal of this is for him/her to greet them and also to keep them informed about everything related to AASCA sports events.
 - All DGs should support their ADs in sending them to the AD conferences, especially those who are organizing an event in the current year.
7. Miscellaneous
- Oswaldo Ortiz suggested the possibility of organizing an AASCA Sports Hall of Fame. The idea was welcomed by all colleagues. Oswaldo Ortiz F. will continue working on this initiative and will present ADs with more concrete information at a later date.
 - EAS suggested that somehow AASCA should bring scouts to soccer tournaments for them to see the talent of AASCA players, so the students could eventually get athletic scholarships. ISP volunteered to get some information and pass it to ADs through the AD President.
 - Ms. Raquel Rodriguez (EAS) received an AASCA certificate for her hard work and dedication as AD President between 2002 and 2009.
 - ADs agreed that in order to avoid misunderstandings, host schools would send out the game schedule beforehand without any names. Only after the draw, would they send out the final version of the game schedule.
 - Host schools will make every effort that no soccer referee works more than three times in a single day. Under no circumstances can a soccer referee be the main referee in all three of his/her matches of the day. Similar measures will be taken in basketball and volleyball.



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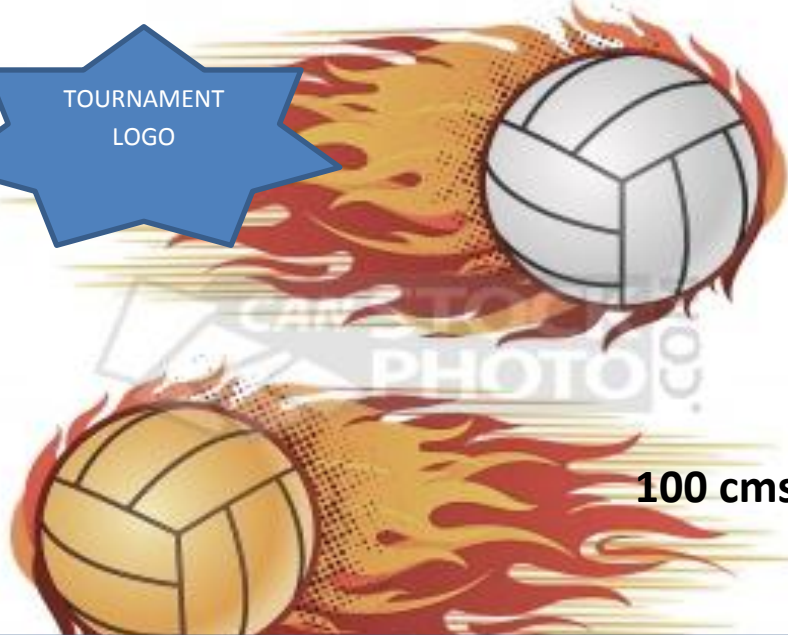
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**VOLLEYBALL
TOURNAMENT**

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LOGO



100 cms

FIRST PLACE

MALE

1.30 cms

Material: Vinil
Color: Azul
Logo: AASCA
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