



LOCATION: DECAMERON HOTEL, EL SALVADOR

HOST SCHOOL: ESCUELA PANAMERICANA DE EL SALVADOR AND MAYA EL SALVADOR

HOST AD: Mr. ERNESTO ARGUMEDO (EPS) & MR. FRANK SALES (MAYA)

DATE: JANUARY 22-26, 2020



MEETING MINUTES

#	NAME	SCHOOL	COUNTRY
1	Cristian Alvarado	Escuela Americana de El Salvador	El Salvador
2	Ernesto Argumedo	Escuela Panamericana de El Salvador	El Salvador
3	Julio Porras	Marian Baker School	Costa Rica
4	Glenda Pearson	Country Day School	Costa Rica
5	Andres Leon	Panamerican School	Costa Rica
6	Dylana Vincenti	American International School	Costa Rica
7	Wilmer Miralda	American School of Tegucigalpa	Honduras
8	Yery Paola Villeda	Discovery School	Honduras
9	Juan Santamaria	Escuela Internacional Samedrana	Honduras
10	Marvin Franco	Colegio Maya	Guatemala
11	Hector Giron	Village School	Guatemala
12	Oswaldo Ortiz F.	Colegio Interamericano	Guatemala
13	Jose Figueroa	Colegio Americano de Guatemala	Guatemala



14	Carlos Flores	Happy Days and Freedom	Honduras
15	Manuel Mancia	Lincoln School	Costa Rica
16	Pierre Roberts	Lincoln Academy	Nicaragua
17	Matt MacInnes	International School Panama	Panama
18	Andrei Kulyk	American Nicaraguan School	Nicaragua
19	Frank Sales	Maya	El Salvador
20	Luis Perez	Colegio Internacional San Salvador	El Salvador



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WELCOMING WORDS BY MS CLAUDIA DE PARDO (EPS) AND MS. GRAZIA DE BETTAGLIO (MAYA)

On Thursday, January 23 both Director Generals welcomed the 20 participants attending the AASCA AD meeting at Decameron. They expressed that on behalf of their communities they were pleased to host the meeting and wished everyone good luck and a very productive three days meeting.

PLEDGES 2020 -2021

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EVENT	SCHOOL	PROPOSED DATE	
ATLANTIC BASKETBALL	EAS	OCTOBER 21-25	
PACIFIC BASKETBALL	DISCOVERY	OCTOBER 21-25	
TRACK	LCR / MAYA GUATEMALA & CAG	NOVEMBER 18-22	
AD MEETING	EIS / VILLAGE SCHOOL	JANUARY 27-31	
ATLANTIC SOCCER		FEBRUARY 10-14	
PACIFIC SOCCER	LIA	FEBRUARY 10-14	
SWIMMING / TENNIS	ANS	MARCH 10-14	
MS SPORTSMANSHIP FESTIVAL		OCTOBER 14 -18	
ATLANTIC VOLLEYBALL	CDS / LCR	APRIL 14-18	
PACIFIC VOLLEYBALL	LIA	APRIL 14-18	

WORKSHOP

Juan Santamaria (EIS). NIAAA* CMAA

- Born and raised in Honduras
- Lawyer
- Master in Sports management (Cuba)
- Master in Sports management and Leadership (USA)
- NIAA Certified Master Athletic Administrator (USA)
- 30 years of experience in the field of Athletic Administration
- NIAAA Faculty member
- Member of the International Committee for child protection in sports
- President of the ABSH
- AASCA AD Secretary



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“How to establish good relationships with parents. Parents’ role in the Athletic Program”

LCR REFLECTIONS ON

- Dates for the Track and field tournament, weather facts and their impact on the organization of this event and influence on the students’ performance.
- Conditions and characteristics of sports facilities for track and field and cross country.

EIS REFLECTIONS ON

- Cross Country. Opportunities to improve.
- Best practices when scheduling team sports events (this will be added to the Manual 2020-2021).

DISCUSSION LEAD BY MAYA EL SALVADOR ON AWARDS FOR INVITED TEAMS

It was unanimously agreed if that for one or another reason, a non AASCA team is invited to a tournament, that team will be subject to the same awards every AASCA school receives.

The topic was brought to the table after seeing that female basketball is still struggling getting enough teams for tournaments.

DISCUSSION LEAD BY ANS ON:

- Competitive Criteria for Atlantic/Pacific Divisions Participation for the future.

ANS AD expressed his disagreement on the current Atlantic and Pacific Divisions and stated suggestions.

ADs clarified to him that as per Director Generals mandate, no changes will be made in 2019-2020 & 2020-2021 cycles, however his suggestions are very welcome and will be taken into account in the next AD meeting.



- Behavior rules in hotels for students and coaches during AASCA Events (Curfew times, respect to neighbors, etc.) and sanctions.

ADs concluded that behavior in hotels has been and will continue be a responsibility of the coaches and administrators of each delegation and that sanctions for misbehavior will applied according to each participating school's Manual.

- Sponsors Logo size limit on official AASCA uniforms.

This depends on each school. So far, no AASCA event has reported abuse of any school for placing sponsors' ads that exceed regular sizes.

DISCUSSION LEAD BY LIA

- LIA AD expressed his fear that the spirit of AASCA athletic events is not being fulfilled.

It was agreed that this topic will be part of the next AD meeting agenda. Revision of AASCA Athletic Mission and Vision.

- LIA AD proposed to extend the number of soccer players in the roster from 20 to 22. The suggestion did not pass.

AASCA ATLANTIC DIVISION BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT (OCTOBER 2019)

AST AD stated that supervision of the tournament was a success due to a great deal on the AST Administrative members' active involvement.

Games ended early every day. This was thanks to the Divisions (Atlantic and Pacific). There were 6 teams in the girls division and 9 in the boys division.

It was agreed that a topic for the next meeting will be revision of awards: stay with banners or come back to the old custom of giving trophies.

The tournament was fully played in the two under roof AST gymnasium.

Compliments to the AST cafeteria were given by participants.



AASCA PACIFIC DIVISION BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT (OCTOBER 2019)

CISS AD stated that they did not have budget deficit to host the event.

He also celebrated the fact of AASCA having Atlantic and Pacific Divisions.

10 boys teams and only three AASCA girls teams. It was needed to invite a bilingual school (Not belonging to AASCA).

Two under roof courts were rented to play all the games of the tournament.

AASCA TRACK & FIELD AND CROSS COUNTRY TOURNAMENT (NOVEMBER 2019)

The track and field tournament was held on the San Pedro Sula stadium while the cross country event was held on the moto cross trail next to the stadium.

The officials for this tournament were brought from the Guatemalan National Federation. This step was taken in order to guarantee the quality of officiating.

Compliments were given to the outdoors closing ceremony celebrated on EIS campus.

A GOOD TIME WAS DEVOTED TO CORRECT MISSPELING AND EDITS OF THE ATHLETIC MANUAL.

Kudos to the ISP AD for leading this.

WORKSHOP

Oswaldo Ortiz F. (CIG). NIAAA* CAA

- Born and raised in Nicaragua
- 10 years of experience teaching PE and coaching soccer
- 18 years in the field of Athletic administration
- Master of Education (Framingham State College)
- NIAAA Certified Athletic Administrators
- He has attended three NIAAA conferences
- AASCA AD President since 2009

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“Learning styles and Multiple intelligences”

LEARNING FROM EACH OTHER

Three outstanding AASCA ADs shared their experiences not only as administrators and former athletes but also as members of their national teams either as player or coaches.

Thank you Ms. Dylana Vincenti from AIS, Glenda Pearson from CDS and Andrei Kulyk from ANS.

AASCA is proud of having the three of them among us.

MISCELLANEOUS

1. ADs consider that the registration fee for track and field per team should be \$600 instead of \$400. Costs have increased and that fee has remained the same for years. **FOR DG'S APPROVAL.**
2. In track and field, teams that have between 1 and three athletes should pay a registration fee of only \$100 per student. **FOR DG'S APPROVAL.**
3. Likewise basketball fee should be now \$700 instead of \$600. **FOR DG'S APPROVAL.**
4. ADs hereby ask DGs to approve that in light of equity for all participants, all basketball and volleyball matches should be played indoors, under roof. The feedback from players and coaches are the same: glare, more dehydration and wind are making a big difference for those who played outdoors. **FOR DG'S APPROVAL.**
5. Glenda Pearson, CDS AD received a certificate of appreciation for all the years of service to her school and AASCA.
6. All the participants of this meeting received a certificate of participation for the workshops received at this opportunity.

Best practices - game scheduling (Glenda Pearson CDS, Juan Santamaria EIS & Andres De Leon PAS)

Guide for the organizing school.

Semifinals should be played simultaneously.

The team that plays the last game of the day may not play in the first game the following day.

Avoid games starting at or after 7:00 p.m.

Avoid playing other games at the same time as the Championship games.



Timings recommended for volleyball and basketball:

Mornings: 8:00 a.m. / 9:30 a.m. / 11:00 a.m. (for football if there are lights you could remove the 11:00 a.m. game)

Afternoons: 1:30 p.m. / 3:00 p.m. / 4:30 p.m. / 6:00 p.m.

Avoid having two schools from the same institution playing at the same time.

When the girls have their semifinal first in the day, the girls final should also be first (and vice versa).

When possible, use of facilities should be equal for all teams in the group phase.

30 point rule in basketball (Luis - CISS)

Consensus to keep the rule as it is. ADs need to make sure that any AASCA rule changes are shared with our coaches.

45 days to confirm participation (Andres - PAS)

To change the deadline to 45 days from the current thirty days. The majority (13 of 19) agreed to the change. Proposal: in section 2.2 (on page 6) change thirty days to forty-five.