

**MUSKOKA-
PARRY SOUND

CONSTITUTION**

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Article I - NAME

- a) This association shall be known as the Northern district of the Georgian Bay Secondary Schools Association (GBSSA) herein referred to as the District.
- b) The District championships shall be known as the Muskoka-Parry sound (MPS) Championships.

Article II – THE AIM AND OBJECTIVES OF THE DISTRICT

Section 1: The aim of the District shall be to promote the highest esteem and respect for the health, enjoyment and physical welfare of the secondary school student by sanctioning, sponsoring, organizing and supervising athletic activities.

Section 2: The objectives of the District are the same as GBSSA as stated in the [GBSSA constitution, Article II, Section 2.](#)

The aim of the GBSSA shall be to make the fullest possible contributions to the health, happiness and physical welfare of the high school students, by sponsoring well-organized and properly supervised athletic activities.

Objectives of the Association:

- 1. To provide a competitive structure that allows a maximum number of student athletes to compete safely at their level of ability whenever practical. Factors such as student needs, finances, facilities, time, resources, staffing and relationship to community programs may determine program practicability. Our emphasis within athletic competition is directed towards the high school trained athlete.*
- 2. To promote physical well being by providing an environment in which students athletes become aware of their strengths and limitations, work towards their potentials, and develop interest in long term participation in athletics beyond their school years.*
- 3. To develop in students through the effort and personal conduct of the teacher-coach, positive relationships with peers and a sense of self control, sportsmanship, and respect for others.*
- 4. To stimulate the achievement of creditable academic progress and respect for other worthwhile interests.*

Article III – MEMBERSHIP

Section 1: The district shall consist of all member Secondary Schools within the districts of Parry Sound and Muskoka as listed in Appendix A.

Section 2: The term “Secondary School” shall be defined as in the [GBSSA constitution, Article III, Section 2.](#)

Section 3: Any school wishing to join the District must apply to the district chairperson before the Annual General Meeting prior to the school year in which membership is being sought. Schools within the districts of Muskoka and Parry sound who are members of GBSSA are approved members of the District.

Article IV – OFFICERS

Section 1: The Executive Officers of the District shall consist of the following officers: Honorary President (Principal), Chairperson, and One representative from each of the member schools other than that of the chairperson.

Section 2: The Honorary President shall be appointed by the executive. The chairperson may appoint a secretary from the member schools to take minutes at the meeting.

Article V – DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1: Honorary President (Principal – see GBSSA Constitution for more details)

- a) The Honorary President shall act as chairperson of the District Board of Reference.
- b) The Honorary President may appoint another individual to act as chairperson of the Board of Reference should the circumstances warrant doing so in the opinion of the Honorary President.

Section 2: MPS Chairperson

- a) To assist in the planning and to preside at the Annual General Meeting of the District and to set the date and to prepare the agenda for the meeting.
- b) To have the authority to enquire into any matter pertaining to the affairs of the District.
- c) To invite any guest to attend the Annual General Meeting.
- d) To follow through and resolve any concerns from a district member, concerning district business in collaboration with other members.
- e) To document decisions and report to members as soon as possible.
- f) To plan and prepare the agenda of the Annual General Meeting.
- g) To send out notices of the Annual General Meeting.
- h) To record the minutes of all meetings.
- i) To distribute the minutes of the Annual General Meeting to the member schools and the District activity convenors.
- j) To prepare and distribute lists of District convenors to member schools and the district activity convenors.

Section 3: Member School Representatives

The duties of the member school representatives shall be:

- a) To ensure that convenors in their school have the schedules ready for the fall scheduling meeting.
- b) To ensure that all coaches, athletic co-ordinators and department heads in their school have received the dates and schedules for the activities in which they are involved.

Article VI – COMMITTEES

Section 1: Special Committees

Special committees shall be appointed by the Executive as may be found necessary to carry out the duties of the District.

Section 2: District Board of Reference

- a) The District shall have a board of reference committee with the Honorary President as the chairperson and two other members selected by the Chairperson.
- b) The duties of the District Board of Reference shall be as stated in the [GBSSA constitution, Article VI, Section 5, Sub-section 2.](#)

Article VII – DISTRICT ACTIVITY CONVENORS

Section 1: The duties of the convenors shall be: ([from GBSSA article VII, Section 1](#))

- a) to organize the competition within their jurisdiction in strict adherence to the Constitution and Sport Playing Regulations applicable to their sport.
- b) to ensure receipt of eligibility lists before each school's first league game.
- c) to ensure receipt of, and check results from all league games and tournaments for accuracy and eligibility and to distribute these results.
- d) to report any discrepancies in eligibility forms or score sheets to the chairperson.
- e) to keep a record on file of the complete results of the sport for each year.
- f) to be the official custodian of all plaques and trophies and pass the records to the next convenor.
- g) to maintain an organizational sport playing file and pass it to the next convenor.
- h) to check that all GBSSA requirements are met.
- i) to distribute a list of coaches and home phone numbers to their sport coaches before the first league game, when necessary.
- j) to submit a convenor's report prior to the next committee meeting (**see Appendix B, convenor's report**).
- k) to pass on eligibility sheets to GBSSA convenor.
- l) to pass on the GBSSA championship information to the MPS champion.

Article VIII – MEETINGS

- Section 1: The Annual General Meeting shall be held by the end of May each year to address motions regarding playing regulations and constitutional issues, which are to be voted on.
- Section 2: A fall meeting will take place in the first two weeks of September to finalize schedules.
- Section 3: A winter meeting will take place in late November/early December to address convenors' reports, issues and motions from the fall season.
- Section 4: A spring meeting will take place in April to address issues and motions, and convenors' reports from the winter season.
- Section 5: At the Annual General Meeting, convenors for all sports will be established.
- Section 6:
- a) The conduct and procedure in the Annual General Meeting insofar as the chairperson and the members are concerned, shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order – Copyright 1980.
 - b) The conduct and procedure of meetings other than the Annual General Meeting shall be governed by the chairperson and the members present at the meeting.

Article IX – VOTING POWER

- Section 1: Annual General Meeting
- a) Each school shall be entitled to one vote.
 - b) In the case of a tie vote a second vote may be called. If the vote is still tied then the vote shall be considered lost.
 - c) A quorum shall consist of one member each from 2/3 of the total member schools.
- Section 2: Executive Meetings
- a) At all other meetings each school shall be entitled to one vote.
 - b) The chairperson can vote as their school representative.
 - c) In the case of a tie vote, that vote shall be considered lost.
 - d) A quorum shall consist of one member each from 2/3 of the total member schools. (4 out of 6 schools, 3 out of 5)

Article X – AMENDMENTS

- Section 1: All motions to amend the constitution must be voted on at the Annual General Meeting. In extenuating circumstances sport regulations can be changed mid year provided that information has been disseminated and there is a unanimous agreement.
- Section 2: There must be a two-third majority vote of the members present to amend or repeal the constitution at the Annual General Meeting.
- Section 3: All sport playing regulation changes require a unanimous vote.
- Section 4: Approved amendments shall be effective as of September 1st following their adoption.

Article XI – AWARDS

Section 1: The District shall make awards as stated in each of the Sport Playing Regulations. The awards are to be held annually by the winning school teams.

Section 2: Member schools or individual members are governed by [the GBSSA constitution, Article XII, Section 3](#) in relation to prizes or awards of monetary value.

Article XII - GBSSA Representation:

The MPS school which finishes highest in each classification at the MPS championship will represent MPS at GBSSA championships. Where a tie exists or the positions are unclear, the league tie-breaker procedure will be used.

By-Law 1 COMPETITION

- Section 1: District competition shall consist of all league games and tournaments that ultimately lead to a MPS Championship.
- Section 2: The rules regarding Eligibility of Players [By-Law 2](#) (And Activity Playing Rules) apply when member schools are participating in exhibition games and tournaments.
- Section 3: The District may offer the approved activities in Appendix C.
- Section 4: Sports playing regulations (appendix E) will determine the championships offered and entry to GBSSA championships.
- Section 5: If a convenor for a particular sport is not appointed by the scheduling meeting there will be no MPS competition in that sport for that year.
- Section 6: Schools belonging to the District must seek entry to GBSSA championships through competition of District league play where the District operates that team sport. For MPS approved sports, schools may compete in another league where the District does not offer the team sport and/or participate in a minimum of six (6) regulation length games and /or two (2) separate tournaments during a minimum four-week period under the supervision of the teacher-coach.

By-Law 2 ELIGIBILITY OF PLAYERS

- Section 1: To represent a school in any District competition, a student must be certified by the Principal and be eligible under [GBSSA Constitution Bylaw II](#).
- Section 2: Eligibility lists must be in to the district convenor for a school's first league game and prior to any MPS championship. In the event this does not occur the team(s) at fault will forfeit all their games up to the point the eligibility sheets are received by their sport convenor.

By-Law 3 ELIGIBILITY OF SCHOOLS

- Section 1: A school must be eligible according to [MPS Article III](#).
- Section 2: There shall be only one classification of schools for MPS championships.
- Section 3: Each team must declare to the MPS convenor the level of competition in which it intends to participate at the GBSSA level of competition prior to the first league game in the sport.

APPENDIX A

MPS Website: www.mpsathletics.ca

School	Address	Principal	School reps
Almaguin Highlands S.S. Classification - AA	Box 250 South River ON P0A 1X0 (705)472-5563 (705)386-2880 fax	Ron Wittmer	Bob Hildebrandt ext. 8078 hildebran@nearnorthschools.ca
Bracebridge and Muskoka Lakes S.S. Classification – AA	100 Clearbrook Tr. Bracebridge ON P1L 2E9 (705)645-4496 (705)645-2552 fax	Dave Golden	Jason Sprathoff ext. 458 j.sprathoff@tlds.on.ca
Gravenhurst High School Classification - A	325 Mary St. South Gravenhurst ON P1P 1X7 (705)687-2283 (705)687-9138 fax	Rick Sellon	Corry Ziorjen ext. 231 corry.ziorjen@tlds.on.ca
Huntsville High School Classification - AAA	58 Brunel Road Huntsville ON P1H 2A2 (705)789-5594 (705)789-2440 fax	Jan Olsson	Ross Clarke ext. 233 ross.clarke@tlds.on.ca Deb Austin ext. 241 debra.austin@tlds.on.ca
Parry Sound High School Classification - AA	111 Isabella St. Parry Sound ON P2A 2W8 (705)773-7979 (705)746-6140 fax	Shahina Butt	Doug Osborne ext. 8460 dougosborne@hotmail.com Jacob Loof ext. 8462 loofj@nearnorthschools.ca
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APPENDIX B

M.P.S. CHAMPIONSHIPS – 2003/2004 – 2013/2014

	03/04	04/05	05/06	06/07	07/08	08/09	09/10	10/11	11/12	12/13	13/14
Alpine Skiing											
Jr. badminton	HHS	BML /PS/ AHS	St.D/ PS/ HHS	St. D	St. D						
Sr. badminton	AHS	HHS	BML	BML	BML						
Jr. girls bball	HHS	HHS	HHS	HHS	HHS	HHS					
Sr. girls bball	HHS	HHS	HHS	HHS	BML	HHS					
Jr. boys bball	HHS	HHS	HHS	BML	BML	HHS					
Sr. boys bball	HHS	HHS	HHS	HHS	HHS	BML					
Mgt girls xcountry	AHS	BML	PSH	BML	BML						
Jr. girls xcountry	BML	BML	PSH	PSH	PSH						
Sr. girls xcountry	HHS	AHS	BML	HHS	HHS						
Overall girls xcountry	PSH	BML	PSH	PSH	PSH						
Mgt boys xcountry	PSH	PSH	PSH	PSH	PSH						
Jr. boys xcountry	HHS	PSH	PSH	HHS	HHS						
Sr. boys xcountry	HHS	HHS	PSH	PSH	PSH						
Overall boys xcountry	HHS	PSH	PSH	PSH	PSH						
Overall xcountry	PSH	HHS	PSH	PSH	PSH						
Boys curling		BML	PSH	BML		GHS					
Girls curling		BML	BML	BML		St.D					
Girls field hockey											
Jr. boys golf	HHS	STD	BML	BML	BML						
Sr. boys golf	HHS	HHS	BML	BML	BML	BML					
Girls golf	BML	PSH	ALM	BML	HHS	none					
Girls hockey	PSH	PSH	PSH	PSH	PSH	HHS					
Boys hockey	BML	BML	STD	BML	BML	BML					
Nordic skiing											
Girls Rugby											
Boys Rugby											
Jr. boys soccer	BML	PSH	HHS	PSH	BML	HHS					
Sr. boys soccer	HHS	BML	BML	PSH	PSH	HHS					
Jr. girls soccer	BML	HHS	HHS	HHS	BML						
Sr. girls soccer	BML	BML	BML	BML	BML						
Swimming	HHS		BML	BML	BML						
Jr. tennis		HHS	HHS	PSH	HHS						
Sr. tennis		HHS	HHS	PSH	HHS						
Overall track & field	AHS	ALM	ALM	ALM	ALM						
Mgt girls vball	AHS	ALM	ALM	HHS	BML	HHS					
Jr. girls vball	BML	PSH	HHS	ALM	HHS	BML					
Sr. girls vball	AHS	HHS	PSH	ALM	HHS	HHS					
Jr. boys vball	AHS	ALM	GHS	GHS	PSH	ALM					
Sr. boys vball	AHS	ALM	BML	ALM	ALM	GHS					

APPENDIX C

MPS Approved Sport Activities

Alpine Skiing (Boys & Girls)
Badminton (Boys & Girls)
Basketball (Boys & Girls)
Cross Country Running (Boys & Girls)
Curling (Boys & Girls)
Field Hockey (Girls)
Golf (Boys & Girls)
Gymnastics (Boys & Girls)
Ice Hockey (Boys & Girls)
Nordic Skiing (Boys & Girls)
Rugby (Boys & Girls)
Soccer (Boys & Girls)
Swimming (Boys & Girls)
Tennis (Boys & Girls)
Track & Field (Boys & Girls)
Volleyball (Boys & Girls)

Note:

Not all sports have an MPS championship at this time. Also, there must be a minimum of 2 schools participating at the MPS level to have a championship & award medals. Otherwise the team is our MPS representative to GBSSA not the MPS champion.

Further Note:

The following considerations may be considered for a new MPS sport to be added to the approved list:

- can the schools participating fund expenses of the championship (eg. cost of plaques)
- are there MPS Sport Playing Regulations
- is it a GBSSA recognized sport and or is there an OFSAA championship or Festival
- continued interest base over a period of time at the MPS level
- other significant factors that need to be considered by the MPS member committee

APPENDIX D

CODE OF ETHICS FOR INTERSCHOOL ATHLETICS

COACHES

As the central figure in the scheme of inter-school athletics, the coach as a role model must:

1. Exemplify the highest moral character, behaviour and leadership.
2. Demonstrate mastery of and continuing interest in principles and techniques of coaching through professional improvement.
3. Strive to develop in each athlete the qualities of leadership, initiative and good judgement.
4. Ensure that athletes are familiar with the rules of their sport and abide by those rules in letter and in spirit.
5. Respect the integrity and personality of the individual athlete.
6. Treat opponents as guests and respect the integrity and judgement of officials who are also guests.
7. Display modesty in victory and graciousness in defeat.
8. Seek to instil development of good health habits and sound training practices as well as the highest standards of conduct and scholastic achievement in all athletes.
9. Fulfil responsibilities to provide health services and an environment free of safety hazards.

TEAM CAPTAINS

As the team leader and spokesperson, the captain(s) should:

1. Greet the opposing captain(s) in a cordial manner.
2. Demonstrate a respect for the officials and treat them as guests. Any questions regarding decisions should be asked during a time out in a quiet and respectful manner.
3. Prevent team-mates from entering into arguments with opponents, officials or spectators.

PLAYERS

Players should:

1. Display good sportsmanship and self-control at all times, both on and off the field or court.
2. Treat officials and opponents with respect.
3. Be familiar with the rules of their sport and accept the spirit of intent of the laws of their sport.
4. Display modesty in victory and graciousness in defeat.

OFFICIALS

Well-trained and competent officials are the key to a successful competition through their influence on the crowd and players.

An official should:

1. Execute his/her role in the most unassuming manner possible.
2. Know the rules thoroughly and give interpretations to the team captains if requested.
3. Maintain poise, dignity, and a sense of humour.

APPENDIX E

CONVENOR'S CHECKLIST

1. Find the dates and locations of the GBSSA Championships (A, AA, & AAA) where necessary. They can be found on the web site: www.gbssaa1.allcanadiansport.ca
2. Ensure you have school year calendars from each school or school board in MPS.
3. It may be easiest to do the schedule by working backward. Start from the GBSSA dates, eliminate holidays, exam days, quiet days, P D days and then determine which Tuesdays and Thursdays are available. If necessary, playoff games can be scheduled on days other than Tuesdays or Thursdays to facilitate the Volleyball & Basketball championships being at the same school. It is wise to allow for some "weather days" near the end of the schedule when necessary. Also, Volleyball and Basketball schedules must be mirror images of each other to avoid gym conflicts. (so both convenors need to be involved in the schedule)
4. If creating a "home & away" schedule, try to ensure there are equal # of home & away games in each half of the schedule. Also, try to spread away games apart & especially, try to avoid teams having 2 away games in the same week.
5. League Game Start times:
 - Basketball starts at 3:30 due to lack of officials being available
 - Volleyball starts at 2:00 unless there is only one game (then 3:30).
 - Soccer starts at 2:00 unless there is only one game (then 3:30).
 - Badminton exhibitions start at 2:00
6. Ensure you have eligibility sheets for all teams competing prior to the start of their first league competition. If not then the games they played while ineligible, are defaulted.
7. Indicate clearly on the schedule which is home team & away, which teams that schools have declared, start times where necessary, GBSSA championship info, method of reporting results by home team (eg. Fax, email etc)
8. Where it applies, review how to contact the assigner for the refs for schedule changes.
9. Make contact with GBSSA convenors prior to the MPS playoffs & championship at all levels necessary to ensure they are aware of our potential entries. If we only have 1 entry in any given level in MPS then a Simcoe school can challenge for our spot at GBSSA championships at their expense.
10. Order medallions from Treasures & Trophies (Huntsville). Remember you only pay for engraving & lanyards.
11. **TRACK DOWN TROPHIES FROM LAST YEAR'S WINNERS. THEY MUST BE GIVEN OUT AT THE CHAMPIONSHIP.**

12. Send out preliminary playoff notices as soon as possible (1 week before??). Ensure every school knows where the games are played, when they start & what each team pays. (divide the total costs, including semi-finals, by the number of teams participating, or by percentage of number of individual participants)
13. Prepare cheques for the refs from you own school that will be replaced from other entry fees.
14. Convenors may provide a hospitality room at Championship, but should limit expenses to snack items (ie. Fruit, juice, coffee, doughnuts).
15. As soon as you know, inform all the necessary GBSSA convenors & complete **Appendix B**. A balanced budget is expected as part of the final report. Convenor's final report should be individualized using the example in **Appendix B** of the constitution, according to the particulars of the sport.

MPS EVENT RESULTS

SPORT: _____ DATE: _____

LOCATION: _____ CONVENOR: _____

MIDGET CHAMPION: _____

Final Game _____ VS _____
Score: () ()

JUNIOR CHAMPION: _____

Final Game _____ VS _____
Score: () ()

SENIOR CHAMPION: _____

Final Game _____ VS _____
Score: () ()

MPS EVENT FINANCIAL REPORT

Event: _____ Date: _____

Convenor: _____ School: _____

INCOME:

Entry Fees per team \$ _____

Other (donations etc?) \$ _____

Total Income \$ _____

EXPENSES:

Officials - Fees and Travel \$ _____

MPS Medal (engraving & ribbons only) \$ _____

Telephone/Postage/Fax (if billed) \$ _____

Publicity (if billed) \$ _____

Other Expenses –Specify..... \$ _____

TOTAL EXPENSES \$ _____

Balance \$ _____

Please pass this INFORMATION on to the MPS Chair or give to the department head of your school for delivery at the next MPS meeting

APPENDIX F

PLAYING REGULATIONS

MPS/Northern Division of GBSSA

Alpine Skiing (Boys & Girls) Playing Regulations

1. Dates and Schedules:

The MPS Championship shall be held the week prior to the GBSSA competition.

2. Championship Location and Convenor:

Convenors will be established at the MPS annual general meeting. The location for the MPS championship will be set by the convenor prior to the beginning of the season.

3. Classifications:

There will be a boys and girls division with a combined championship for schools who have both a boys and girls entry. It shall be offered at the open level.

4. Tournament Structure and Procedure:

- a) Each school shall compete in two designated, qualifying meets. Groupings of schools into two pools shall be arranged during the annual MPS meeting in the spring.
- b) The girl's team will complete two runs in the morning, and the boy's two runs will be in the afternoon.
- c) Each team will race five competitors with their 3 best finished to count for team scores.
- d) In the event that one team qualifies for GBSSA in two categories, the second place team in that category will also represent MPS at GBSSA.

Entry:

There will be 12 girls' teams and 12 boys' teams competing in separate divisions. Schools having both a girl's and a boy's entry shall be eligible for a combined championship. The top six girls' teams and the boys' teams from each of the two pools of schools competing in qualifying meets advance to the Championship meet.

5. Expenses:

See [GBSSA constitution, Appendix G](#). An entry fee shall be charged to cover expenses.

6. Eligibility of Players:

See [GBSSA Constitution Bylaw 2](#), subsections 1-13.

7. Rules and Officials:

FIS/ICR Regulations shall apply except as outlined in Section #4. (see above)

8. Uniform and Equipment:

Appropriate alpine apparel and accessories. Helmets are mandatory at all qualifying and/or MPS meets.

Alpine Skiing (con't)

9. Awards:

A trophy is presented to the winning teams. MPS medallions will be awarded to the winner of each classification.

10. Jury of Appeal:

Any dispute other than those that come under the jurisdiction of the umpire of GBSSA Board of Reference will be ruled upon by a jury consisting of: convenor, executive member, and neutral member at the discretion of the convenor. All protests must be submitted to the convenor in writing within twenty-four hours after the incident in question and will be accompanied by a \$20.00 cheque.

MPS/Northern Division of GBSSA

Badminton (Boys & Girls) Playing Regulations

1. Dates and Schedules:

- a) An exhibition series of tournaments will be set by the convenor prior to the beginning of the season.
- b) The MPS championship dates will be set by the convenor prior to the beginning of the season.
- c) The tournaments for the juniors and seniors will be on different dates, at least one week prior to the GBSSA badminton championship.

2. Championship Location and Convenor:

Convenors will be established at the MPS annual general meeting. The location for the MPS championship will be set by the convenor prior to the beginning of the season.

3. Classifications:

Tournaments will be held in the junior and senior levels for both genders in the following classifications: singles, doubles, and mixed.

4. Tournament Structure and Procedure:

- a) A double-elimination tournament is to be played in one day. Matches will consist of the best two/three regulation games.
- b) Coaches should seed their players when submitting their entries to the MPS convenor.
- c) As far as possible teams for the same school should not be in the same half of the draw.
- d) As far as possible teams from the same school should not eliminate each other on the back-side of the draw and rearrangement of the draw will occur occurring to seeding (highest seed plays lowest seed etc.)
- e) Total entries in each division will be sixteen. There can be two representatives for each classification.
- f) The convenor may appoint a neutral coach to umpire a match in which there are disputes.

5. Tie Breaking Procedures:

See [the GBSSA constitution; playing regulations for badminton](#).

6. Eligibility of Players:

See [GBSSA Constitution Bylaw 2, subsections 1-13](#).

7. Rules and Officials:

The rules of the Canadian Badminton Association shall be used. Utilization of student officials is discouraged.

Badminton (con't)

8. Uniform and Equipment:

Uniform may be school colours for MPS. GBSSA qualifiers must wear white, as they will be disqualified for inappropriate wear otherwise. For the MPS championship, the convenor shall supply the bird adopted at the GB level.

9. Awards:

The MPS trophies will be presented at the tournament to the winners to be displayed at the recipient's school. MPS medallions and trophies will be presented to the junior and senior champions as follows:

- a) One medal to each of the individual winners in the boys singles, girls singles, boys doubles, girls doubles, and mixed doubles.
- b) Trophies will be presented to the junior and senior team accumulating the most points in all the events. Points will be awarded in the following manner:

1 st	8 points
2 nd	6 points
3 rd	4 points
4 th	2 points

10. Jury of Appeal:

Any dispute other than those that come under the jurisdiction of the umpire of GBSSA Board of Reference will be ruled upon by a jury consisting of: convenor, executive member, and neutral member at the discretion of the convenor. All protests must be submitted to the convenor in writing within twenty-four hours after the incident in question and will be accompanied by a \$20.00 cheque.

MPS/Northern Division of GBSSA

Basketball (Boys & Girls) Playing Regulations

1. Dates and Schedules:

- a) All teams shall be involved in a home and away round-robin league schedule. The league schedule is expected to be completed two days prior to the MPS semi-final Championship date.
- b) MPS championships should be held at least 3 days prior to the GBSSA Championship.

2. Championship Location and Convenor:

Convenors will be established at the MPS annual general meeting. The convenorship will be on an optional rotation to allow each school interested a chance to convene periodically. Convenors will host the MPS Championship Games. The basketball convenor is responsible to co-ordinate with the volleyball convenor in the same season for schedules. It is assumed that the basketball and volleyball schedules in the same season will be mirror images to maximize gym availability. It would be wise to review the soccer schedule in the fall season as well.

3. Classifications:

Championships will be offered at the Junior and Senior levels. There are classifications of "A", "AA", "AAA", and "AAAA" at the GBSSA & OFSAA levels, but there will only be one level of play at MPS.

4. Tournament Structure and Procedure:

Playoffs are set up to accommodate three teams in each classification. The three teams will consist of the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place teams after league play is complete. The first place team in league play shall receive a bye into the final championship game. A semi-final game shall be played between the 2nd and 3rd place teams.

5. Location and game times for semi-final and championship games:

The location of the Championship games will be at the school of the convenor unless the convenor makes alternative arrangements. All semi-final games shall be played at the gym of the 2nd place Sr. team unless otherwise agreed upon by all MPS Athletic Directors. The designated home team for this game shall be the 2nd place team. The semi-final game should be played at least 2 days prior to the final game. The final games shall be at the site of the convenor's school and the first place teams in each division shall be designated as the home team in these games. Playoff matches will start at 3:30 pm for the first game and 5:00 pm for the second game.

6. Tie Breaking Procedures:

If 2 or more teams are tied, the tie breaking criteria is applied one after the other until the tie is broken.

- a) The team with the best ratio of won/lost games, considering games between the tied teams only, will be ranked higher.

Basketball (con't)

- b) Record against the next lowest placed team.
- c) Ties that determine final play-off berths must be decided by a play-in game on the tiebreaker day, as indicated on the schedule. The location of this game will be determined by a coin toss and all costs will be split evenly.
- d) Ties that determine 1st and 2nd place will be decided by a coin toss after (a & b) are used.

If 3 or more teams are tied, the above criteria will be applied, one after the other until all the teams are ranked. Thus, if there is a tie among teams X, Y & Z and criteria "b" is able to determine that team X is first, Y is second and Z is third, then no further criteria are to be used. The tie is broken. However, if criteria "b" only determines team X as first and there is still a tie with team Y & Z, then the ranking of the remaining teams will be determined by continuing on with criteria "c" and so on. The criteria should NOT start "a" again for teams Y and Z – the criteria should continue in sequence.

7. Expenses:

The cost of the referees and awards for the tournament (semi-finals and finals) shall be shared equally by all teams participating in the tournament. Any additional costs that are not administrative in nature shall be the responsibility of the host school.

8. Eligibility of Players:

See [GBSSA Constitution Bylaw #2, subsections 1-13.](#)

9. Rules and Officials:

Qualified referees will be arranged by the convenor via the referee assignor. These officials shall not be students. National Federation of State High School (NFSHS) basketball rules shall be used. The host school will be responsible for timers and scorekeepers, and seating at the score table will be available for "overseers" from both teams involved.

10. Uniform and Equipment:

Uniforms and equipment must conform to NFSHS basketball rules.

11. Awards:

The winning teams in each classification shall be awarded the MPS trophy/plaque and each member of the team shall be presented with an MPS medallion (to a maximum of 15 players and 1 coach).

12. Jury of Appeal:

Any dispute other than those that come under the jurisdiction of the umpire of GBSSA Board of Reference will be ruled upon by a jury consisting of: convenor, executive member, and neutral member at the discretion of the convenor. All protests must be submitted to the convenor in writing within twenty-four hours after the incident in question and will be accompanied by a \$20.00 cheque.

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Cross Country Running (Boys & Girls) Playing Regulations

1. Dates and Schedules:

The MPS Championship will be held on the Wednesday or Friday during the week prior to the GBSSA Championships.

2. Championship Location and Convenor:

Convenors will be established at the MPS annual general meeting. The convenor will set the location for the MPS Championships.

3. Classifications:

Cross Country running will be conducted in three classifications: midget, junior, and senior.

4. Tournament Structure and Procedure:

- a) Eligibility sheets must be submitted at registration prior to the event. (see Bylaw 2, section 2 – eligibility of players)
- b) Athletes can enter and run in one age classification only.
- c) Athletes must run in the age classification in which they are entered.
- d) The first four finishers for a school is totalled for team scores. In the event of ties, the places of the 4th place finishers will be used. The team with the lowest score is the winner. There is an unlimited entry for runners from each school.
- e) Overall team title – The school must have 4 runners in a team category to have a team score. The team category scores are then totalled. The school must have 4 runners finish in each of the six races. The school with the lowest team score is the winner.

Scoring: First place = 10 points
Second place = 8 points
Third place = 6 points
Fourth place = 4 points
Fifth place = 2 points

All teams remaining will receive 1 point.

5. Location and Game times:

The MPS convenor will set the location and times four weeks prior to the championship dates.

6. Tie Breaking Procedures:

- a) In the event of ties, the places of the 4th place finisher will be used for team scores.
- b) In the event of a tie for the Overall team titles, the teams will be co-champions.

7. Expenses:

An entry fee will be charged to cover the costs of the championship and the awards.

8. Eligibility of Players:

See [GBSSA Constitution Bylaw #2, subsections 1-13](#).

Cross Country Running (con't)

9. Rules and Officials:

Officials are volunteers, teachers, and students organized by the convenor.

10. Uniform and Equipment:

Competitors in the MPS Championships must wear identical tops.

11. Awards:

MPS trophies will be presented to the winning teams. Medallions are presented to the individual winner in each category.

12. Jury of Appeal:

Any dispute other than those that come under the jurisdiction of the umpire of GBSSA Board of Reference will be ruled upon by a jury consisting of: convenor, executive member, and neutral member at the discretion of the convenor. All protests must be submitted to the convenor in writing within twenty-four hours after the incident in question and will be accompanied by a \$20.00 cheque.

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Curling (Boys & Girls) Playing Regulations

1. Dates and Schedules:

The Championship must be declared at least two weeks prior to the GBSSA championship.

2. Championship Location and Convenor:

Convenors will be established at the MPS annual general meeting. The convenor will set the location for the MPS Championships.

3. Classifications:

MPS Curling will be conducted at the “open” level.

4. Tournament Structure and Procedure:

The draw shall be decided by the convenor. Boys and girls shall play eight ends.

5. Expenses:

An entry fee will be charged to cover the cost of the ice rental and awards.

6. Eligibility of Players:

See [GBSSA Constitution Bylaw #2, subsections 1-13](#).

7. Rules and Officials:

Competition shall be governed by the rules of the Canadian Curling Association, the Ontario Curling Association, and OFSSA Playing Regulations. Coaches will be allowed to talk with their team at the end of the fourth end. The use of student officials is discouraged.

8. Uniform and Equipment:

Ontario curling guidelines should be followed. School colours are recommended.

9. Awards:

An MPS trophy is presented to the winning team and medallions to the individuals of the winning team.

10. Jury of Appeal:

Any dispute other than those that come under the jurisdiction of the umpire of GBSSA Board of Reference will be ruled upon by a jury consisting of: convenor, executive member, and neutral member at the discretion of the convenor. All protests must be submitted to the convenor in writing within twenty-four hours after the incident in question and will be accompanied by a \$20.00 cheque.

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Field Hockey (Girls) Playing Regulations

1. Dates and Schedules:

- a) The league schedule will be agreed upon by the Athletic Directors (or coach if there is no athletic director) prior to the season.
- b) The MPS Championship will be held on the Wednesday or Friday during the week prior to the GBSSA Championships.

2. Championship Location and Convenor:

Convenors will be established at the MPS annual general meeting. The convenor will set the location for the MPS Championship.

3. Classifications:

Field hockey will be classified as “open”.

4. Tournament Structure and Procedure:

This will be agreed upon by the Athletic Directors (or coach if there is no athletic director) prior to the season.

5. Location and game times:

The convenor will set the location and times.

6. Tie Breaking Procedures:

(for First place only)

- a) Two-Way Tie: There will be a game consisting of two 15 minute halves with a 3 minute intermission. If still tied at the end of this time, then penalty strokes will be used to determine the winner. (See Rules to conduct Stroke competition).
- b) Three-Way Tie: One team will get a bye to the finals. The other two will have a penalty stroke competition to determine the second finalist. The team to get the bye will be the team with the best goals for and against differential. If this is a tie, then a coin toss will determine the team to receive the bye. The two teams, so determined, will play a game as outlined in #1.

7. Expenses:

An entry fee will be charged to cover the costs of the championship and the awards.

8. Eligibility of Players:

See [GBSSA Constitution Bylaw #2, subsections 1-13.](#)

9. Rules and Officials:

Officials are volunteers, teachers, and students organized by the convenor.

Girls Field Hockey (con't)

10. Uniform and Equipment:

The visible shirts/sweaters of all team members must be the same colour and a teams' knee socks must be identical. The plastic-type hockey ball shall be used throughout the Tournament.

11. Awards:

The winning team shall be awarded a trophy, and the players of the winning team shall be awarded medallions.

12. Jury of Appeal:

Any dispute other than those that come under the jurisdiction of the umpire of GBSSA Board of Reference will be ruled upon by a jury consisting of: convenor, executive member, and neutral member at the discretion of the convenor. All protests must be submitted to the convenor in writing within twenty-four hours after the incident in question and will be accompanied by a \$20.00 cheque.

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Golf (Boys & Girls) Playing Regulations

1. Dates and Schedules:

The girls and the Sr. boys MPS tournament date will occur in the fall in the week prior to the GBSSA tournament date while the Jr. Boys MPS tournament will occur in the spring in the week prior to the GBSSA tournament date.

2. Championship Location and Convenor:

Convenors will be established at the MPS annual general meeting. The convenorship will be on an optional rotation to allow interest schools a chance to convene periodically. Convenors will host the MPS championship at a suitable golf course in their area.

3. Classifications:

Championships may be offered at the Junior and Senior Boys levels, and open girls level.

4. Tournament Structure and Procedure:

Each school can enter one team of 4-6 golfers to compete at each of the 3 levels of play. Teams' totals will be calculated as the sum of a team's best 4 scores at each level. Golfers can compete as individuals if a school cannot field a minimum 4-person team. At the discretion of the convenor, a school may enter alternate players in the various levels, but their scores cannot count as part of a school's best 4 scores – they are playing exhibition only.

5. Tournament Location and Time:

The tournament will be held as a full day event, in an 18-hole stroke-play format on an 18 hole course. The event should start at approximately 9:30 and a shot-gun start is the preferred method. The tournament will not be suspended due to rain unless lightening has been sighted, or the course is deemed not playable.

6. Tie Breaking Procedures:

If golfers are tied for individual low gross at any level, then a "sudden death" playoff will decide the winner. The convenor will decide prior to the tournament what the order of the playoff holes will be and how they will rotate if the tie continues. If the teams are tied, then the team with the lowest single gross score shall be declared the winner. If still tied, then the next lowest score will decide until the tie is broken. If a tie continues in team aggregates, then a "sudden-death" playoff will follow with 1 player designated from each of the tied teams competing.

7. Expenses:

The cost of the MPS awards shall be levied equally to all individuals participating in the tournament. All costs for greens fees and awards will also be paid for equally by all the competitors from each school (including alternates). All additional costs that are not administrative in nature, shall be the responsibility of the host school.

8. Eligibility of Players:

See [GBSSA Constitution Bylaw #2, subsections 1-13.](#)

Golf (con't)

9. Rules and Officials:

Rules are as per RCGA rule books. All scores must be verified and attested to by both the player scoring (playing partner) and the individual golfer. Failure to comply will result in a disqualification. Local course rules will apply.

10. Uniform and Equipment:

Competitors must wear apparel appropriate to the rules of the golf course and as per RCGA. Competitors must supply their own golf clubs, golf balls, golf tees, and any other necessary equipment.

11. Awards:

The winning teams in each classification shall be awarded the MPS trophy/plaque and each member of the team shall be presented with an MPS medallion (to a maximum of 15 players and 1 coach).

12. Jury of Appeal:

Any dispute other than those that come under the jurisdiction of the umpire of GBSSA Board of Reference will be ruled upon by a jury consisting of: convenor, executive member, and neutral member at the discretion of the convenor. All protests must be submitted to the convenor in writing within twenty-four hours after the incident in question and will be accompanied by a \$20.00 cheque.

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Gymnastics (Boys & Girls) Playing Regulations

1. Dates and Schedules:

The MPS championships should be held on week prior to the GBSSA Championship.

2. Championship Location and Convenor:

Convenors will be established at the MPS annual general meeting. The convenorship will be on an optional rotation to allow interest schools a chance to convene periodically. Convenors will host the MPS championship.

3. Classifications:

Levels 1-6 as defined in the most recent OFSAA gymnastics playing regulations will be used.

4. Tournament Structure and Procedure:

Team and individual scoring: The top four scores/team/level/event shall count towards the team scores. An individual's raw scores/event shall count towards their all-round score. Difficulty requirements are the same as OFSAA.

5. Tournament Location and Time:

The convenor will set the location and times.

6. Expenses:

An entry fee will be charged to cover the costs of the championship and the awards.

7. Eligibility of Players:

See [GBSSA Constitution Bylaw #2, subsections 1-13](#).

8. Rules and Officials:

The most recent OFSAA rules are to be used. There should be at least one OGF judge at each event.

9. Uniform and Equipment:

Competitors must wear apparel appropriate to gymnastics.

10. Awards:

The winning competitors in each classification shall be awarded an MPS medallion.

11. Jury of Appeal:

Any dispute other than those that come under the jurisdiction of the umpire of GBSSA Board of Reference will be ruled upon by a jury consisting of: convenor, executive member, and neutral member at the discretion of the convenor. All protests must be submitted to the convenor in writing within twenty-four hours after the incident in question and will be accompanied by a \$20.00 cheque.

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Ice Hockey (Boys & Girls) Playing Regulations

1. Dates and Schedules:

- a) All teams shall be involved in a home and away round-robin league schedule. The league schedule is expected to be completed two days prior to the MPS semi-final Championship date.
- b) MPS championships should be held at least 3 days prior to the GBSSA Championship.

2. Championship Location and Convenor:

Convenors will be established at the MPS annual general meeting. The convenor will set the location for the MPS Championships.

3. Classifications:

Ice hockey will be offered at the “open” level.

4. Tournament Structure and Procedure:

After league play, tournament structure for championships will be based on number of teams in the league. In years where there are three teams in the league the top two teams will play in the championship game. In years where there are more than three teams in the league the second place team will play the third place team, with the winner playing the first place team for the championship.

5. Tie Breaking Procedures:

If 2 or more teams are tied, the tie breaking criteria is applied one after the other until the tie is broken.

- a) The team with the best ratio of won/lost games, considering games between the tied teams only, will be ranked higher.
- b) Record against the next lowest placed team.
- c) Ties that determine final play-off berths must be decided by a play-in game on the tiebreaker day, as indicated on the schedule. The location of this game will be determined by a coin toss and all costs will be split evenly.
- d) Ties that determine 1st and 2nd place will be decided by a coin toss after (a & b) are used.

If 3 or more teams are tied, the above criteria will be applied, one after the other until all the teams are ranked. Thus, if there is a tie among teams X, Y & Z and criteria “b” is able to determine that team X is first, Y is second and Z is third, then no further criteria are to be used. The tie is broken. However, if criteria “b” only determines team X as first and there is still a tie with team Y & Z, then the ranking of the remaining teams will be determined by continuing on with criteria “c” and so on. The criteria should NOT start “a” again for teams Y and Z – the criteria should continue in sequence.

Ice Hockey (con't)

Play-off Procedures:

Tie games shall stand in league play. For the championship match, if there is a tie at the end of regulation time, there will be a 10-minute sudden death period. If the tie still exists, the outcome will be decided by a 5-player shoot-out, with shots simultaneously taken for both teams. Following the player shoot out a sudden victory shoot out will determine the victor.

6. Expenses:

An entry fee will be charged to cover the cost of awards, officials, and ice rental.

7. Eligibility of Players:

See [GBSSA Constitution Bylaw #2, subsections 1-13](#). In addition, players who compete with an OHA Junior team after the first game of the High School league, will be ineligible to play in this league. A student must have played in at least two MPS league games in order to participate in the playoffs.

8. Rules and Officials:

C.A.H.A. Rules shall govern play with the following exceptions:

- a) CSA approved face masks must be worn by all participants. Players must wear a throat protector, and an inner mouth-guard.
- b) The maximum number of players to dress for a game is twenty.
- c) The red line shall be eliminated with regard to the off-side rule.
- d) If a player is assessed three minor penalties in one game, that player shall be ejected for the remainder of the game immediately. A player who was on the ice at the time, must serve any unserved penalty. The timekeeper should inform the referee when this occurs. In lieu of a Board of Reference, the convenor will monitor the number of occasions this occurs to any one player.
- e) If a player is penalized for fighting, their team will play short-handed for five (5) minutes, and that player is ineligible to play until this incident is reviewed by a Board of Reference.
- f) If a player deliberately attempts to injure (e.g.: butt-ending, spearing) an opponent, his team, will play short-handed for five (5) minutes. That player is ineligible to play in the remainder of that game, and in any further league games, until a Board of Reference has reviewed this incident.
- g) All games must consist of a minimum of two (2) twelve minute stop-time periods AND one fifteen minute stop-time period, with a minimum rest of five minutes between the second and third periods for semi-finals. For all finals three (3) fifteen minute stop-time periods with a minimum rest of five (5) minutes between the second and third period.
- h) The convenor shall be responsible for obtaining officials for the Championship game.
- i) At the conclusion of the game, the Home Team must wait by their bench until the opposition players have all left the ice.

Ice Hockey (con't)

- j) OHF regulations regarding suspensions shall be the minimum penalty enforced with the exception that three minor penalties in one game, or a minor penalty for checking from behind, that player shall be ejected from that game only.
- k) For girls only - no body checking shall be allowed. Body checking will result in a 2-minute penalty.
- l) Each team can be granted one 30-second time-out per game.
- m) The home team should provide qualified first aid personnel.

9. Uniform and Equipment:

Distinctive school sweaters shall be worn by all team members.

10. Awards:

A trophy will be presented to the winning team, and medallions to the individuals of the winning team.

11. Jury of Appeal:

Any dispute other than those that come under the jurisdiction of the umpire of GBSSA Board of Reference will be ruled upon by a jury consisting of: convenor, executive member, and neutral member at the discretion of the convenor. All protests must be submitted to the convenor in writing within twenty-four hours after the incident in question and will be accompanied by a \$20.00 cheque.

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Lacrosse (Boy's)

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Nordic Skiing (Boys & Girls) Playing Regulations

1. Dates and Schedules:

The MPS Championship will be held on the Wednesday or Friday during the week prior to the GBSSA Championships.

2. Championship Location and Convenor:

Convenors will be established at the MPS annual general meeting. The convenor will set the location for the MPS Championships.

3. Classifications:

Nordic skiing will be conducted in two classifications: junior and senior.

4. Tournament Structure and Procedure:

- a) The number of skiers starting and the time interval between starts is to be determined by the meet organizer.
- b) This is a one-day meet using distance for the various age groups that are as close to O.F.S.A.A distances as possible: Junior Girls - 4 kilometres; Senior Girls - 5 kilometres; Junior Boys - 5 kilometres; Senior Boys - 10 kilometres; Relays - less than individual race lengths.
- c) Relays (if run) will use the same team make-up as OFSAA
See [GBSSA regulations for scoring regulations](#).

Individuals

The individual with the fastest time in each of the four divisions is declared the MPS Champion in each.

5. Tie Breaking Procedures:

If, after calculating Final Team Scores, there is a tie for 1st Place, the team with the better relay score wins.

6. Expenses:

An entry fee will be charged to cover the costs of the championship and the awards.

7. Eligibility of Players:

See [GBSSA Constitution Bylaw #2, subsections 1-13](#).

8. Rules and Officials:

Officials are volunteers, teachers, and students organized by the convenor.

9. Uniform and Equipment:

Skiers should wear appropriate cross-country apparel.

Nordic Skiing (con't)

10. Awards:

The individual with the fastest time in each category (Junior boy, Junior girl, Senior boy, Senior girl) will be awarded an MPS medallion.

11. Jury of Appeal:

Any dispute other than those that come under the jurisdiction of the umpire of GBSSA Board of Reference will be ruled upon by a jury consisting of: convenor, executive member, and neutral member at the discretion of the convenor. All protests must be submitted to the convenor in writing within twenty-four hours after the incident in question and will be accompanied by a \$20.00 cheque.

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Rugby (Boys & Girls) Playing Regulations

1. Dates and Schedules:

The MPS Championship game shall be played before the GBSSA semi-final match.

2. Championship Location and Convenor:

Convenors will be established at the MPS annual general meeting. The convenor will set the location for the MPS Championships.

3. Classifications:

Rugby competition shall exist at two levels: junior and senior.

4. Tournament Structure and Procedure:

Teams will play a 7-a-side round robin format for league play, followed by an MPS Championship 7-a-side tournament to be hosted by the convenor for the top two finishing teams. **Where there is no MPS league, refer to MPS BY-LAW #1 Section 6.**

5. Tie Breaking Procedures:

The tie-breaking procedure for MPS Rugby Championship will be as follows:

- a) In the event of a tie following regulation time, there will be a 3-minute rest period followed by a coin toss. The team winning the coin toss will have a choice of the right to kick-off or the choice of ends. The game will continue with two 5-minute halves with 10-a-side (5 forwards, 5 backs) players chosen from the 15 players that finished regular time and a change of ends at the end of the first period. "Sudden Death" scoring does not exist for this period of extra time.
- b) If the game remains tied at the end of the extra time, The following procedure will be used: each team will nominate 3 players, from among the players on the field at the end of the second overtime period, who shall be organized to kick from the designated spots, at the goal posts. Each player will kick from one spot. The spots shall be (a) midway between the sidelines, on the 22-metre line, and (b) on each side of the field at the intersection of the 22-metre line and the 15-metre lineout line. Repeat this process until a winner is decided.

6. Expenses:

The cost of the MPS tournament will be shared by the participants.

7. Eligibility of Players:

See [GBSSA Constitution Bylaw #2, subsections 1-13.](#)

8. Rules and Officials:

Rules of the ORU will be followed.

Rugby (con't)

9. Uniform and Equipment:

Distinctive school sweaters must be worn. Mouthguards are required.

10. Awards:

MPS medallions will be awarded to the championship team.

11. Jury of Appeal:

Any dispute other than those that come under the jurisdiction of the umpire of GBSSA Board of Reference will be ruled upon by a jury consisting of: convenor, executive member, and neutral member at the discretion of the convenor. All protests must be submitted to the convenor in writing within twenty-four hours after the incident in question and will be accompanied by a \$20.00 cheque.

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Soccer (Boys) Playing Regulations

1. Dates and Schedules:

- a) **Prior to the start of the regular season there will be an opening day tournament where every team will play each other in condensed games with results not counting toward final standings.** A single round robin MPS schedule and championship date will be set by the convenor prior to the September scheduling meeting.
- b) The MPS championship should be held at least 3 days prior to the GBSSA championships.
- c) The convenor should look at past league schedules and make every effort to ensure there is a balance in both travelling distances and home / away ratio of games from season to season.

2. Championship Location and Convenor:

Convenors shall be established at the MPS meeting in May. The location of the MPS championship will be set by the convenor prior to the beginning of season. The soccer convenor is responsible to co-ordinate with the track and field convenor for the same season for schedules.

3. Classifications:

Championships will be offered at the Junior and Senior levels. There are classifications of "A", "AA", "AAA", and "AAAA" at the GBSSA and OFSAA levels, but there will only be one level of play at MPS.

4. Tournament Structure and Procedure:

- a) The top 4 teams at the end of league play qualify for the MPS championship tournament. The MPS Championship is a one day tournament.
- b) A challenge game may be permitted by the 5th place team if they are within 2 points of the 4th place team and have defeated the 4th place team or tied them.
- c) Details for the challenge game are:
The 4th place team will provide the field, and the 5th place team will provide travel and officials. The 4th and 5th challenge game is considered part of the regular league play.
- d) If there are two fields available, the juniors and seniors will use separate fields, reflecting the same order as for 1 field.
- e) Championship tournament:

Junior semi-finals:

Game 1 1st vs. 4th

Game 2 2nd vs. 3rd

Senior semi-finals:

Game 3 1st vs. 4th

Game 4 2nd vs. 3rd

Finals:

Game 5 Junior final

Game 6 Senior final

Soccer – Boys (con't)

5. Location and Game time for Semi-final and Championship Games

The location of the Championship games will be set by the convenor prior to the start of the season. If *one field* is used for the championships the game times are as follows: the junior semi-finals will start at 9:00 and 10:30 am. The senior semi-finals will start at 12:00 and 1:30 pm. The junior finals will start at 3:00. The senior final will start at 4:30. If two fields are used for the championships, the game times are as follows: the semi-finals will be played at 10:00 and 12:00. The finals will be played two hours after the completion of the semi-finals. Should there be a tie during any playoff game, the following OFSAA regulations will be applied:

Tie Breaking Procedures:

- Two(2) ten (10) minute halves
- If still tied, teams shall take penalty kicks FIFA Shootout (5-5-1-1-1-1-1....)

6. Tie Breaking Procedures:

If 2 or more teams are tied, the tie breaking criteria is applied one after the other until the tie is broken.

- a) Head to head record between the tied teams.
- b) The team with the best ratio of won/lost games, considering games between the tied teams only, will be ranked higher.
- c) Record against the next lowest placed team.
- d) Ties that determine final play-off berths must be decided by a play-in game on the tiebreaker day, as indicated on the schedule. The location of this game will be determined by a coin toss and all costs will be split evenly.
- e) Ties that determine 1st and 2nd place will be decided by a coin toss after (a & b) are used.

If 3 or more teams are tied, the above criteria will be applied, one after the other until all the teams are ranked. Thus, if there is a tie among teams X, Y & Z and criteria “b” is able to determine that team X is first, Y is second and Z is third, then no further criteria are to be used. The tie is broken. However, if criteria “b” only determines team X as first and there is still a tie with team Y & Z, then the ranking of the remaining teams will be determined by continuing on with criteria “c” and so on. The criteria should NOT start “a” again for teams Y and Z – the criteria should continue in sequence.

7. Expenses:

The cost of the referees and awards for the tournament (semi-finals and finals) shall be shared equally by all teams participating in the tournament. Any additional costs that are not administrative in nature shall be the responsibility of the host school.

8. Eligibility of Players:

See [GBSSA Constitution Bylaw #2, subsections 1-12](#).

Soccer – Boys (con't)

9. Rules and Officials:

as per OSA regulations

- a) Substitution Rule – up to 3 players may be substituted at any time. Substitutions are unlimited: thus once a player has been removed, he may return during a later substitution. Substitutions shall only be made during a stoppage in the play called by the referee for the following: a goal kick, scoring a goal, injury to a player, half time, commencement of overtime period, half time of an overtime period, and a throw in.
- b) Team may have a maximum a 20 players dressed
- c) The wearing of cleats with any metal part in evidence, including metal studs, shall be prohibited in MPS inter-school soccer competitions
- d) Length of games; junior 40 minute halves, senior 40 minute halves
- e) The following scoring will be used to determine league standings;
 - 3 points for a win
 - 1 point for a tie
 - 0 points for a loss
- f) A game sheet listing all players and their number is to be submitted to the referee prior to the start of any game
- g) Player violations
 1. If a player receives a red card:
 - a. He must leave the field for the remainder of that game (no substitution allowed). If deemed non-malicious, the player will leave the field for the remainder of the game and the team's next game. If deemed malicious, referee shall refer the red carded player to a board of reference.
 2. If a player receives a yellow card:
 - a. A substitution for the yellow carded player is mandatory. The yellow carded player is the only player who may be replaced at the time and he may re-enter the game at a regular substitution period.
 - b. A player accumulating two yellow cards in one game, must leave the field of play for the remainder of the game and cannot be substituted. The player may not play the team's next regular season game.
 - c. A player who accumulates three yellow cards during the season, will leave the field for the remainder of the game in which he received the third yellow card. Substitution will be allowed at this time. Further, the player may not play in his team's next game. Yellow cards accumulated in the pre-season tournament count towards the regular season card totals.
 - d. A player who has received a third yellow card during the last game of the regular season will be ineligible for his teams next game that season whether it is an MPS playoff game or a GBSSA game. Otherwise all other yellow cards are wiped out at the beginning of playoffs.
 - e. A suspension as a result of three yellow cards will not carry over into the next year.

10. Uniform and Equipment:

Must conform to O.S.A. regulations. Shin guards are mandatory. Knee braces or casts must be approved in consultation with the referee and coaches before the game. (teams must have all braces and casts approved at this time) Buckles, metal plates, and screws must be covered. Also, eye glasses may be allowed unless their design is such that the referee, in consultation with the coaches determines that they would be a danger to other players on the field.

11. Awards:

The winning teams in each classification shall be awarded the MPS trophy/plaque and each member of the team shall be presented with an MPS medallion (to a maximum of 22 players and 1 coach)

12. Jury of Appeal:

Any dispute other than those that come under the jurisdiction of the umpire of GBSSA Board of Reference will be ruled upon by a jury consisting of: convenor, executive member, and neutral member at the discretion of the convenor. All protests must be submitted to the convenor in writing within twenty-four hours after the incident in question and will be accompanied by a \$20.00 cheque.

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Soccer (Girls) Playing Regulations

1. Dates and Schedules:

- a) **Prior to the start of the regular season there will be an opening day tournament where every team will play each other in condensed games with results not counting toward final standings.** A single round robin MPS schedule and championship date will be set by the convenor prior to the September scheduling meeting.
- b) The MPS championship should be held at least 3 days prior to the GBSSA championships.
- c) The convenor should look at past league schedules and make every effort to ensure there is a balance in both travelling distances and home / away ratio of games from season to season.

2. Championship Location and Convenor:

Convenors shall be established at the MPS meeting in May. The location of the MPS championship will be set by the convenor prior to the beginning of season. The soccer convenor is responsible to co-ordinate with the track and field convenor for the same season for schedules.

3. Classifications:

Championships will be offered at the Junior and Senior levels. There are classifications of "A", "AA", "AAA", and "AAAA" at the GBSSA and OFSAA levels, but there will only be one level of play at MPS.

4. Tournament Structure and Procedure:

- a) The top 4 teams at the end of league play qualify for the MPS championship tournament. The MPS Championship is a one day tournament.
- b) A challenge game may be permitted by the 5th place team if they are within 2 points of the 4th place team and have defeated the 4th place team or tied them.
- c) Details for the challenge game are:
The 4th place team will provide the field, and the 5th place team will provide travel and officials.
- d) If there are two fields available, the juniors and seniors will use separate fields, reflecting the same order as for 1 field.
- e) Championship tournament:

Junior semi-finals:

Game 1 1st vs. 4th

Game 2 2nd vs. 3rd

Senior semi-finals:

Game 3 1st vs. 4th

Game 4 2nd vs. 3rd

Finals:

Game 5 Junior final

Game 6 Senior final

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5. Location and Game time for Semi-final and Championship Games

The location of the Championship games will be set by the convenor prior to the start of the season. If *one field* is used for the championships the game times are as follows: the junior semi-finals will start at 9:00 and 10:30 am. The senior semi-finals will start at 12:00 and 1:30 pm. The junior finals will start at 3:00. The senior final will start at 4:30. If two fields are used for the championships, the game times are as follows: the semi-finals will be played at 10:00 and 12:00. The finals will be played two hours after the completion of the semi-finals.

6. Tie Breaking Procedures:

If 2 or more teams are tied, the tie breaking criteria is applied one after the other until the tie is broken.

- a) Head to head record between the tied teams
- b) The team with the best ratio of won/lost games, considering games between the tied teams only, will be ranked higher.
- c) Record against the next lowest placed team.
- d) Ties that determine final play-off berths must be decided by a play-in game on the tiebreaker day, as indicated on the schedule. The location of this game will be determined by a coin toss and all costs will be split evenly.
- e) Ties that determine 1st and 2nd place will be decided by a coin toss after (a & b) are used.

If 3 or more teams are tied, the above criteria will be applied, one after the other until all the teams are ranked. Thus, if there is a tie among teams X, Y & Z and criteria “b” is able to determine that team X is first, Y is second and Z is third, then no further criteria are to be used. The tie is broken. However, if criteria “b” only determines team X as first and there is still a tie with team Y & Z, then the ranking of the remaining teams will be determined by continuing on with criteria “c” and so on. The criteria should NOT start “a” again for teams Y and Z – the criteria should continue in sequence.

7. Expenses:

The cost of the referees and awards for the tournament (semi-finals and finals) shall be shared equally by all teams participating in the tournament. Any additional costs that are not administrative in nature shall be the responsibility of the host school.

8. Eligibility of Players:

See [GBSSA Constitution Bylaw #2, subsections 1-12](#).

9. Rules and Officials:

- a) As per OSA regulations
- b) Substitution Rule – up to 3 players may be substituted at any time. Substitutions are unlimited: thus once a player has been removed, he may return during a later substitution. Substitutions shall only be made during a stoppage in the play called by the referee for the following: a goal kick, scoring a goal, injury to a player, half time, commencement of overtime period, half time of an overtime period, and a throw in.

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- c) Team may have a maximum a 20 players dressed
- d) The wearing of cleats with any metal part in evidence, including metal studs, shall be prohibited in MPS inter-school soccer competitions
- e) Length of games; junior 40 minute halves, senior 40 minute halves
- f) The following scoring will be used to determine league standings;
 - 3 points for a win
 - 1 point for a tie
 - 0 points for a loss
- g) A game sheet listing all players and their number is to be submitted to the referee prior to the start of any game
- h) Player violations
 - 1. Substitution for a yellow carded player is compulsory. The yellow carded player is the only player who may be replaced at the time and he/she may re-enter the game at a regular substitution period;
 - 2. If a player receives a red card he/she must leave the field for the remainder of that game (no substitution allowed). The referee may refer the red card to the board of review.
 - 3. A player who accumulates three yellow cards will leave the field for the remainder of the game in which he/she received the third yellow card. Substitution will be allowed at this time. Further, the player may not play in his/her team's next game.
 - 4. A player who has received a third yellow card during the last game of the regular season will be ineligible for his teams next game that season whether it is an MPS playoff game or a GBSSA game. Otherwise all other yellow cards are wiped out a the beginning of playoffs.
 - 5. A suspension as a result of three yellow cards will not carry over into the next year.

10. Uniform and Equipment:

Must conform to O.S.A. regulations. Shin guards are mandatory. Knee braces or casts must be approved in consultation with the referee and coaches before the game. (teams must have all braces and casts approved at this time) Buckles, metal plates, and screws must be covered. Also, eye glasses may be allowed unless their design is such that the referee, in consultation with the coaches determines that they would be a danger to other players on the field.

11. Awards:

The winning teams in each classification shall be awarded the MPS trophy/plaque and each member of the team shall be presented with an MPS medallion (to a maximum of 22 players and 1 coach)

12. Jury of Appeal:

Any dispute other than those that come under the jurisdiction of the umpire of GBSSA Board of Reference will be ruled upon by a jury consisting of: convenor, executive member, and neutral member at the discretion of the convenor. All protests must be submitted to the convenor in writing within twenty-four hours after the incident in question and will be accompanied by a \$20.00 cheque.

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Swimming (Boys & Girls) Playing Regulations

1. Dates and Schedules:

Date must be set in order to meet entry deadlines for OFSAA.

2. Championship Location and Convenor:

Convenor shall be determined at the MPS annual general meeting. The schools participating in MPS will rotate the convenorship.

3. Classifications:

- a) Competitive divisions will be at three levels: Junior, Senior, and Open
- b) Open will include swimmers who are/were registered in the past year with a Swim Ontario club (with the exception of grade nine swimmers if they are not registered in this school year).

4. Tournament Structure and Procedure:

- a) High school events will combine all Junior/Senior and Female/Male swimmers; however the results will be separated by age group and gender.
- b) Open events will combine Female/Male swimmers and will be separated from results.

Event #	Event
1	4 X 50 Medley Relay – HS Jr.
2	4 X 50 Medley Relay – HS Sr.
3	200 Freestyle – HS
4	200 I.M. – Open
5	100 I.M. – HS
6	50 Free – HS
7	100 Fly – Open
8	50 Fly – HS
9	100 Free – Open
10	100 Free – HS
11	100 Back – Open
12	100 Back – HS
13	100 Breast – Open
14	100 Breast – HS
15	50 Backstroke – HS
16	4 X 100 Free Relay – Open/HS (Max. 3 Open)
17	50 Breaststroke – HS
18	4 X 50 Free Relay – HS Jr.
19	4 X 50 Free Relay – HS Sr.
20	400 Free - Open

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5. Expenses:

An entry fee will be charged.

6. Eligibility of Players:

See [GBSSA Constitution Bylaw #2, subsections 1-12](#).

7. Rules and Officials:

- a) There is no limit to the number of competitors a school may enter.
- b) Each school may enter 3 relay teams per relay event.
- c) A competitor may enter a maximum of three events (including relays).
- d) S.N.C. rules for high schools shall govern competition at the MPS championship with the following exceptions: The "No False Starts" rule will not be in effect. Swimmers shall take their position from in front of the blocks.
- e) The convening committee shall be responsible for obtaining competent officials for the MPS championship.
- f) School coaches, competitors, and officials only, shall be allowed on the pool deck.

8. Uniform and Equipment:

Competitors may wear MPS/GBSSA or school insignia only on their uniforms, within the competitive areas. No commercial or club insignia on uniforms shall be allowed. The brand name of the uniform manufacturer is permitted to be visible. Failure to abide by this regulation will result in disqualification.

9. Awards:

- a) Individual MPS ribbons will be presented to the top six (6) place finishers, per event, per classification for individual events, and for top three finishers for relay events.
- b) Team Championship plaques will be awarded to the school that is the overall winner in the Open, Junior, and Senior events.
- c) The MPS Team Championship Trophy will be awarded to the school that is the overall winner in all three events.
- d) Scoring will be to 12th place. No points will be awarded for event 16 (exhibition only – OFSAA time trial).
- e) Scoring for individual events: 16, 13, 12, 11, 10, 9, 7, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1.
- f) Scoring for relay events: 32, 26, 24, 22, 20, 18, 14, 10, 8, 6, 4, 2.

10. Jury of Appeal:

Any dispute other than those that come under the jurisdiction of the umpire of GBSSA Board of Reference will be ruled upon by a jury consisting of: convenor, executive member, and neutral member at the discretion of the convenor. All protests must be submitted to the convenor in writing within twenty-four hours after the incident in question and will be accompanied by a \$20.00 cheque.

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Tennis (Boys & Girls) Playing Regulations

1. Dates and Schedules:

The Championship shall be played on or before the last Wednesday in September.

2. Championship Location and Convenor:

The convenor shall be determined at the MPS annual general meeting. The location shall be set by the convenor (court availability and expenses should be considered).

3. Classifications:

The championships will be at the Junior and Senior level in boys and girls singles, boys doubles, girls doubles, and mixed doubles.

4. Tournament Structure and Procedure:

The tournament will have a double elimination structure and will be held in one day. A consolation playoff may be held if time and facilities exist. It is most important that players be seeded properly according to previous tournaments and information given by school coaches. Matches for the semi-finals will consist of eight games, with a two-game margin needed for the win. A 12 point tie-breaker will be used at seven games each. Final matches will be 2/3 sets using a 12 point tie-breaker at six games each. The championship team will be the school accumulating the most points in all events. The point system will be:

1st – 8 points

2nd – 6 points

semi-final loser – 4 points

5. Expenses:

An entry fee will be charged to cover expenses.

6. Eligibility of Players:

See [GBSSA Constitution Bylaw #2, subsections 1-12](#).

7. Rules and Officials:

Total entries in each division will be sixteen with two reps. from each classification. Ontario Tennis Association rules apply. Competitors referee their own games.

8. Uniform and Equipment:

Whites are preferred but school uniforms will be accepted. The players are to supply their own equipment (balls and racquets).

9. Awards:

The MPS trophy is presented to the overall team winner and individual medals are presented to winners for each classification.

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10. Jury of Appeal:

Any dispute other than those that come under the jurisdiction of the umpire of GBSSA Board of Reference will be ruled upon by a jury consisting of: convenor, executive member, and neutral member at the discretion of the convenor. All protests must be submitted to the convenor in writing within twenty-four hours after the incident in question and will be accompanied by a \$20.00 cheque.

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Track and Field (Boys & Girls) Playing Regulations

1. Dates and Schedules:

The Championship will be held during the week prior to the GBSSA Track and Field meet.

2. Championship Location and Convenor:

The convenor shall be determined at the MPS annual general meeting. The convenorship shall be on a rotation. The location shall be Parry Sound High School. Some events may be run at other schools, by mutual agreement.

3. Classifications:

There will be three levels: Midget, Junior, and Senior

4. Tournament Structure and Procedure:

Where feasible, the meet will follow the OFSAA meet order of events. The competition may include any events held at the OFSAA meet.

5. Expenses:

Each school shall be charged an entry fee to cover the cost of awards, in proportion to the number of students that they have competing. An additional \$50 per school will be levied for facility maintenance.

6. Eligibility of Players:

See [GBSSA Constitution Bylaw #2, subsections 1-12.](#)

7. Rules and Officials:

OFSAA rules, CFTA rules and bylaws, and the IAAF handbook shall be used. Substitutions (but not additions) can be made by the coach through the convenor.

8. Uniform and Equipment:

Competitors must wear a track top of their school colours. No numbers are required at MPS.

9. Awards:

Ribbons will be awarded to the first three finishers in each event. Individual MPS medals will be awarded in each classification, boys, and girls. The Championship trophy is awarded to the school with the overall winner. The point system is as follows:

1st – 10 points

2nd – 8 points

3rd – 6 points

4th – 4 points

5th – 2 points

6th – 1 point

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10. Jury of Appeal:

Any dispute other than those that come under the jurisdiction of the umpire of GBSSA Board of Reference will be ruled upon by a jury consisting of: convenor, executive member, and neutral member at the discretion of the convenor. All protests must be submitted to the convenor in writing within one hour after the incident in question and will be accompanied by a \$20.00 cheque.

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Volleyball (Boys & Girls) Playing Regulations

1. Championship Dates:

The MPS championship is expected to occur at least 3 days prior to the GBSSA Championship date. All matches will consist of 3 of 5 games to 25 with the 5th to 15, with no cap on any game. **The Volleyball convenor is responsible to coordinate with the Basketball convenor in the same season for scheduling.** It is assumed that the volleyball and basketball schedules in the same season will be mirror images to maximize gym availability (with the exception of the final play-off dates.)

2. Championship Location and Convenor Responsibilities:

Convenors will be established at the MPS annual general meeting. The convenorship will be assigned on an optional rotation (to allow each school interested a chance to convene periodically). Convenors will host the MPS championship games at their home school.

3. Classification:

Championships can be offered at the Midget, Junior and Senior levels. There are classifications of “A”, “AA”, “AAA”, and “AAAA” at the GBSSA & OFSAA levels but there will only be one level of play at MPS.

4. League Schedule and Format:

All teams shall be involved in a home & away round-robin league schedule. The league schedule is expected to be completed two days prior to the MPS semi-final Championship date. All matches will consist of 3 out of 5 games to 25 with the 5th to 15, with no cap.

5. Tournament Structure and Procedure:

Playoffs are set up to accommodate the top three teams in each classification after league play is complete. The first place team at each level of play shall receive a bye into the final championship game. A semi-final game shall be played between the 2nd and 3rd place teams. Start time for championships will depend on the court availability at the convenor’s school and the number of games. It is advised that Senior playoff & final games should be played at “centre-court” to adhere to the GBSSA safety recommendations. A minimum of 15 minutes shall be assigned for warm-up in a 5-5-2 format.

6. Tie Breaking Procedures:

As per VC tie breaking procedures in Volleyball Canada rule book, if 2 or more teams are tied, the tie-breaking criteria is applied one after the other until the tie is broken:

- a) The score of any league games not played or defaulted cannot be used in tie breaking procedures.
- b) The team with the best ratio of won/lost matches, considering matches between the tied teams only, will be ranked higher.
- c) The team with the best ratio of won/lost games, considering matches between the tied teams only, will be ranked higher.
- d) The team with the best ratio of won/lost games, considering all scheduled matches, will be ranked higher.

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- e) A coin toss will be used to decide placing from 1st to 3rd. If a playoff birth is at stake, and if possible or desired, a tie-breaker game can be arranged between the tied teams as a neutral gym with all costs shared.
- f) Coin toss by a neutral party, to be arranged by the convenor.

If 3 or more teams are tied, the above criteria will be applied, one after the other until all the teams are ranked. Thus, if there is a tie among teams X, Y & Z and criteria “b” is able to determine that team X is first, Y is second and Z is third, then no further criteria are to be used. The tie is broken. However, if criteria “b” only determines team X as first and there is still a tie with team Y & Z, then the ranking of the remaining teams will be determined by continuing on with criteria “c” and so on. The criteria should NOT start “a” again for teams Y and Z – the criteria should continue in sequence.

7. Entry and Expenses:

The cost of the referees and awards for the tournament (semi-final and finals) shall be shared equally by all teams participating in the final tournament. Additional costs that are not administrative in nature shall be the responsibility of the host school.

8. Eligibility of Players:

See [GBSSA Constitution Bylaw 2, sub sections 1 - 12](#)

9. Rules and Officials:

Net Heights:

Novice girls	2.14 m	Novice Boys	2.24 m
Junior girls	2.19 m	Junior Boys	2.34 m
Senior girls	2.24 m	Senior Boys	2.42 m

OVA qualified referees shall be arranged by the convenor. Game officials can be qualified students **but every effort should be made to arrange for 2 Qualified OVA Adult officials for the MPS Championships**. Volleyball Canada (VC) rules shall be used. The host school will be responsible for scorekeepers. Seating at the score table can be made available for “overseers” from both teams involved if needed at MPS championships.

10. Uniforms and Equipment:

All players are required to wear the same uniform. The team shirts should be identical and the team shorts should be the same colour and style. Players should also have their own water bottles.

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11. Awards:

The winning teams in each classification shall be awarded the MPS trophy/plaque and each member of the team shall be presented with an MPS medallion (to a maximum of 15 players & 1 coach).

12. Jury of Appeal:

Any dispute other than those that come under the jurisdiction of the umpire of GBSSA Board of Reference will be ruled upon by a jury consisting of: convenor, executive member, and neutral member at the discretion of the convenor. All protests must be submitted to the convenor in writing within twenty-four hours after the incident in question and will be accompanied by a \$20.00 cheque.