

## BC SCHOOL SPORTS Annual General Meeting

### BCSSRU Change of Tier Format Resolution

**Whereas:** The BCSSRU desires to increase the participation level of student-athletes; and

**Whereas:** Over the years there has developed a competitive imbalance among member schools; and

**Whereas:** The BCSSRU would like to change from two tiers of competition to three tiers; and

**Whereas:** Member rugby schools voted on the issue and the results were Yes – 61, and No - 3

**Moved: Colombo (Riverside)/Seconded: Becker (North Delta) – Be it resolved that the BCSSRU be permitted to expand to three tiers of competition, on a trial basis, for the 2010-2011 school year.**

The proposed format is as follows:

**Open Level:** Open to application from any school, regardless of eligible student population size.

Placement at this level would require approval of the BCSSRU Tier Placement Committee.

Schools would agree to play in a province-wide league with playoffs. There would be a potential number of eight to fourteen teams. Please note that:

- for eight or more participating teams, the tournament would involve eight teams, and
- for from four to seven participating teams, the tournament would involve four teams, and
- for two or three participating teams, there would be a provincial final only.

**AAA:** Teams will initially be assigned based on enrolment numbers of 251 or more eligible students. Application to move down to the AA level is **restricted** to

- circumstances where climate or remoteness significantly affects the length of the season and number of interschool events,
- circumstances where schools are either initiating a new program, or reactivating a program after having been out of competition for a period of time, and
- extenuating circumstances at the discretion of the Commission.  
(Ref. *BC SCHOOL SPORTS Directory and Competitive Rules and Regulations*, p.75, section C7.4.1).

**AA:** Teams will be initially assigned based on enrolment numbers of 250 or fewer eligible students. Teams may apply to move up to the AAA level by application to the Tier Placement Committee.