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2014

NATIONAL CURLING CONGRESS

**2014 NATIONAL CURLING CONGRESS
THURSDAY, AUGUST 28
Overview of Day 1**

8:00 a.m.: Introductions and Welcome

Chair Hugh Avery extended a welcome to Niagara Falls for the 2014 National Curling Congress and AGM. With many of those in attendance having partaken in the inaugural National Curling Summit, there was applause as Hugh congratulated CCA staff on what was a very informative, successful and enjoyable gathering of curling's stakeholders.

Each person in the meeting room was asked to introduce themselves and identify their affiliation with the sport of curling. Chair Hugh noted that the CCA has appointed Resby Coutts (Past President of CurlMB) as an independent, confidential resource for MA Presidents and Vice Presidents. Resby participated in the new delegate orientation earlier in the morning and his role will be further explained to the MA Presidents at their midday meeting.

8:15 a.m.: Governance Education Session

Governance Chair Bob Osborne introduced Laura Lochanski who then conducted an information session on Policy Governance. Her presentation clarified for the delegates the process used to initially implement Carver's Policy Governance Model within the CCA and further explained the ongoing monitoring and evaluation that takes place to ensure the organization, Board and CEO are diligent in complying with the key principles of the model.

9:30 a.m.: Report on "Best In Class" Study Conducted by Deloitte

CCA CEO Greg StremLaw presented the CCA's standings in the "Best of Class" project which involved 51 Canadian national sports organizations. On behalf of the Canadian Olympic Committee (COC), Deloitte conducted this comprehensive study with the purpose of identifying areas of strength and weakness within each of the respective Associations. 31 areas of business operations were taken into consideration under the assessment model and the CCA received an impressive "Best In Class" in a record 22 of the 31 categories and an "Advanced" score in all other categories except one. This was an outstanding result for the CCA and distinguishes the Association as a key leader of sport in Canada. MA representatives were impressed with the CCA's results and requested a copy of the report summary be forwarded to them once it is available.

Greg explained that in the GAP analysis of the report, a significant area identified for potential improvement by the CCA was Membership Identification (*curling is the only NSO that does not utilize a per capita fee/identification system*). To be proactive, the CCA applied for and received funding from the COC to have a third-party analysis conducted on this area of its operation. LLB Strategies (an international sport consultancy firm) was engaged to perform the study, the results of which led the CCA Board to include a Notice of Motion for this year's NCC to move to a per capita fee. Greg advised that Benoit Girardin of LLB Strategies was on site and would present his company's findings to the delegates prior to the Business Session of the NCC.

10:45 a.m.: Review and Discussion of Notices for Motion and Background Presentations

MA representatives and CCA Governors brought forward each of the Notices for Motion for discussion. Rationale was examined and questions answered for the delegates' information and further contemplation prior to the afternoon business session.

12:00 noon – 2:00 p.m.: Meeting of Member Associations followed by a Meeting of the CCA Board of Governors and MA Voting Delegates

At noon the MA Presidents and representatives met in a private session and, at 1:00 pm the MA Presidents and voting delegates joined the CCA Board of Governors for a working luncheon to discuss items of mutual interest.

8:00 pm: Introduction of Candidates and Town Hall

Chair of the Governance Committee, Bob Osborne, led this session and announced the four nominations received for this year's election for positions on the CCA Board of Governors:

Liz Goldenberg (Nominated by Curl BC)
Maureen Miller (Nominated by the Northwest Territories Curling Association)
Scott Comfort (Nominated by CURLSASK)
Jerry McCann (Nominated by the New Brunswick Curling Association)

Each of the candidates were introduced by a representative of their Member Association and given an opportunity to address those in attendance. The Town Hall followed during which time questions were directed to the candidates for their response.

**CANADIAN CURLING ASSOCIATION
NCC BUSINESS SESSION – CROWNE PLAZA FALLSVIEW
NIAGARA FALLS, ONTARIO
THURSDAY, AUGUST 28, 2014**

Chair: Hugh Avery

ATTENDANCE:

Member Association Voting Delegates

Gary Oke (NF and Labrador)	Harry Daemen (Nova Scotia)
Susan Curtis (NF and Labrador)	Chris Manuge (Nova Scotia)
George Koke (Prince Edward Island)	Jean Lamère (Quebec)
Angela Hodgson (Prince Edward Island)	Serge Braseau (Quebec)
Damien Lahiton (New Brunswick)	Marion Clark (Northern Ontario)
Darren Eaton (New Brunswick)	Michael Szajewski (Northern Ontario)
Dale Curtis (Ontario)	Marg Mayotte (Saskatchewan)
Gord Gark (Ontario)	Dennis Smith (Saskatchewan)
Roy Van Kommer (Manitoba)	Terry Vandale (British Columbia)
Kim Warburton (Manitoba)	Scott Braley (British Columbia)
Dan Kleinschroth (Alberta)	Ellen Johnson (Yukon)
Joan Westgard (Alberta)	Peter Mackey (Nunavut)
Maureen Miller (Northwest Territories)	Karen Costello (Nunavut)
Janie Hobart (Northwest Territories)	

CCA Board

Hugh Avery (Chair)	Yves Maillet, Governor
Marilyn Neily (Vice Chair)	Cindy Maddock, Governor
Elaine de Ryk, Governor	Peter Inch, Governor
Bob Osborne, Governor	Shirley Osborne, Governor
Lena West, Governor	Ron Hutton, Governor

Observers

Graham MacEachern (OCA)	Leslie Kerr (NOCA)
Jeremiah Anderson (NSCA)	Amber Holland (SCA)
Kyle Kugler (NWTCA)	Brad Gibb (NACA)
Craig Baker (Curl MB)	David Beesley (Canadian Sponsorship Group)
Jennifer Ferris (OCC)	Stephen Chenier (OCA)
Marg Maranda (NBCA)	Marc-André Robitaille (Curling Quebec)
Amy Duncan (PEICA)	Resby Coutts (MA Resource)
John Shea (OCA)	Doug MacQuarrie (Parliamentarian)
Scott Comfort (Candidate for Election)	Laura Lochanski (NACA & CCA Past Chair)
Liz Goldenberg (Candidate for Election)	Graham Prouse (WCF & CCA Past Chair)
Jerry McCann (Candidate for Election)	Joe Wattie (Collins Barrow)
Benoit Girardin (LLB Strategies)	

CCA Staff

Greg Stremmlaw	Warren Hansen	Al Cameron
Karen Ryan	Gerry Peckham	Danny Lamoureux
Pat Ray		

1.0 CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

At 3:30 pm, Chair Hugh Avery called the Business Session of the 2014 National Curling Congress to order.

CEO Greg StremLaw reviewed a number of guidelines for the delegates to facilitate the progress of the meeting. He introduced Doug MacQuarrie, Chief Operating Officer of the Canadian Centre for Ethics in Sport, who would fill the role of Parliamentarian for both the 2014 National Curling Congress and the Annual General Meeting. A roll call of voting delegates was carried out with Greg stating 38 votes were confirmed for the 2014 NCC Business Session.

2.0 NOTICES OF MOTION

1) CANADIAN MIXED DOUBLES TRIALS

NOTICE OF MOTION #1: NCC 2014.01

Moved by Peter Inch (CCA Governor), seconded by Shirley Osborne (CCA Governor), that the Canadian Mixed Doubles Trials continue to be held in the 2014 – 2015 curling season and, therefore, extend the two-year trial approved under AGM Motion 2012.08 for one more year.

CARRIED

Noted:

- The financial structure will remain the same as during the initial 2-year trial.
- It is anticipated that the IOC will advise the WCF in 2015 whether they plan to include/exclude this curling discipline in the 2018 Winter Olympics.

2) POLICY FOR RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS IN A NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

NOTICE OF MOTION #2: NCC 2014.02

Moved by Terry Vandale (Curl BC), seconded by Marg Mayotte (CURLSASK) that the Policy for Residency Requirements in a National Championship be amended as reflected in the attached document.

MOTION TO AMEND:

Moved by Terry Vandale (Curl BC), seconded by Marg Mayotte (CURLSASK) that three additional amendments, as follows, be made to the Residency Requirements in a National Championship document:

1) Statement from landlord (if renting) or bank (if owned) confirming residency within the province/territory – a copy of a property tax invoice for non-mortgaged property is also adequate.

Recommend a statutory declaration is obtained.

2) For Canadian Men's and Canadian Women's Championships, individuals must be ~~a~~ permanent residents of the province/territory.....

3) Process for Challenges

It is understood that this policy will be a national policy and, in the event the policy is challenged, ***the CCA will assist in the defense of any challenge at the MA level and/or protect the CCA's interest and its costs, as the Associations mutually deem appropriate.***

MOTION TO AMEND:

CARRIED

AMENDED MOTION:

CARRIED

(See Addendum for Residency Policy Document)

Noted:

- This policy will be in place for the 2014-2015 curling season; however, MAs will continue to work on this issue. It is also felt that the CCA's review of national championships could result in motion coming forward to the 2015 NCC that could further impact residency.
- Scott Braley (Curl BC) advised that a standardized form for use by the MAs will be developed and circulated shortly.

3) AGE ELIGIBILITY FOR THE CANADIAN JUNIORS

NOTICE OF MOTION #3: NCC 2014.03

Moved by Cindy Maddock (CCA Governor), seconded by Lena West (CCA Governor) that the age eligibility for the Canadian Juniors be changed from 20 years of age and under as of December 31st of the prior year to the Canadian Junior Championships, to 20 years of age or under as of and including June 30th of the year prior to the Canadian Junior Championships. The age eligibility will be in effect for the 2016 Canadian Juniors and onwards. Therefore, athletes eligible for the 2016 Canadian Juniors will have to be born on or after July 1st, 1994.

CARRIED

Noted:

- Canadian teams were at a competitive disadvantage due to age restrictions; therefore, it was felt Canada should align with the WCF age eligibility for juniors.

4) RULE BOOK FOR CURLING 2014-2018

NOTICE OF MOTION #4: NCC 2014.04

Moved by Bob Osborne (CCA Governor), seconded by Yves Maillet (CCA Governor) that the Canadian Curling Association's Rule Book for Curling be updated and implemented for the period of 2014-2018.

CARRIED

Noted:

- Standard housekeeping updates for clarity with the exception of new article on "thinking time".
- Rule Book now valid for 4-year period (2014-2018).

5) CCA COMPETITOR FEE

NOTICE OF MOTION #5: NCC 2014.05

Moved by Shirley Osborne (CCA Governor), seconded by Peter Inch (CCA Governor) that the CCA's competitor fee to participate in any event leading to any national championship be set and/or increased to \$50 per player, per event entered, effective with the 2015-2016 curling season onwards.

MOTION TO AMEND:

Moved by Ron Hutton (CCA Governor), seconded by Peter Inch (CCA Governor) that the motion be amended to read:

That the CCA's competitor fee to participate in any event leading to any national championship be set, ***per event entered, on the following 5-year plan:***

\$36.00 (2015-2016)

\$39.00 (2016-2017)

\$42.00 (2017-2018)

\$45.00 (2018-2019)

\$48.00 (2019-2020)

CARRIED

MOTION TO AMEND:

Moved by Scott Braley (Curl BC), seconded by Maureen Miller (NWTCA), that the following sentence be added to the amended motion:

It is understood that this motion does not apply to the Mixed Doubles Curling Trials.

MOTION TO AMEND:

CARRIED

AMENDED MOTION:

CARRIED

Noted:

- Competitor fees were originally introduced in 1984 to subsidize the Canadian Mixed and Seniors. Today this fee generates less than \$148,000 and the cost to operate just these two events is in the \$400,000 range. These events have been sustained from revenue of SoC

events; however, this method of funding can no longer be relied upon. A new revenue source is required to ensure the operation of these events.

- After extensive discussion, the delegates agreed to a new competitor fee system to be implemented over 5 years.

6) INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE

NOTICE OF MOTION: NCC 2014.06

Moved by Yves Maillet (CCA Governor), seconded by Bob Osborne (CCA Governor), that the Canadian Curling Association implement a new Membership Affiliation Model that reflects a nominal member fee instead of a per sheet assessment, effective with the 2015-2016 curling season onwards.

MOTION TO AMEND:

Moved by Ron Hutton (CCA Governor), seconded by Yves Maillet (CCA Governor), that the motion be amended to read:

That the Canadian Curling Association implement a new Membership Affiliation Model that reflects a member fee instead of a per sheet assessment, effective with the 2015-2016 curling season, **as follows:**

\$3.00 (2015-2016)

\$3.50 (2016-2017)

\$4.00 (2017-2018)

MOTION TO AMEND:

CARRIED

AMENDED MOTION:

CARRIED

Noted:

- Presentation by LLB Strategies showed that the CCA is the only sport that does not charge an individual membership fee and, as a result, lacks a proper identification system for its membership (a critical element for appropriate national/provincial/territorial government funding).
- The delegates preferred the motion specify a confirmed amount for the fee for the next three years and it was noted that a further amendment would likely be forthcoming at the AGM related to an implementation process.

7) FORMAT FOR THE CANADIAN MIXED AND CANADIAN SENIORS

NOTICE OF MOTION #7: NCC 2014.07

Moved by Janie Hobart (NWTCA), seconded by Rob Van Kommer (CurlMB) that the format for the Canadian Mixed and Canadian Seniors be changed to a two-pool format that would include 7 teams in each pool, reducing the duration of both of the events by a minimum of two days, and for both championships to only play 8-end games during said competitions.

With this format change, be it further resolved that a team from each of the 14 Member Associations of the Canadian Curling Association (CCA) be permitted direct entry into the Canadian Mixed and Canadian Senior Men's and Women's Curling Championships. Pending agreement by established Host Committees who have already agreed to a format hosting agreement, this change will be in effect for the 2014-2015 season.

If any Host Committee that is already under contract is unable to accommodate this change for the Canadian Mixed or Canadian Seniors, the revised format will be implemented at the next available championship year onwards.

CARRIED

Noted:

- This motion was brought forward following the EOACC mandated review for these two championships which involved consultation with Member Associations, athletes and other curling stakeholders over a three-year period as agreed to by the membership.

Upon request, the delegates agreed to deal with the New Brunswick Notice of Motion prior to the Northwest Territories Notice of Motion in the championships category.

8) CHAMPIONSHIPS

NOTICE OF MOTION #8: NCC 2014.08

Moved by Damien Lahiton (NBCA), seconded by Darren Eaton (NBCA), that the current EOACCC model be deemed inequitable and inapplicable to all Canadian Curling Championships and that an equitable model be submitted by the CCA for approval by the MAs.

MOTION TO AMEND:

Moved by Damien Lahiton (NBCA), seconded by Darren Eaton (NBCA), that the motion be amended to read:

That the current EOACCC model be deemed inequitable and inapplicable to all Canadian Curling Championships and that an equitable model be submitted by the CCA for approval **at any General Meeting**.

MOTION TO AMEND:

CARRIED

AMENDED MOTION:

DEFEATED

Noted:

- Damien Lahiton advised that the relegation component of EOACC generated concern in their province and was the basis for this Notice of Motion.

9) ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW FUND

NOTICE OF MOTION #9: NCC 2014.09

Moved by Maureen Miller (NWTCA), seconded by Janie Hobart (NWTCA), that the Canadian Curling Association create a fund to be accessible only to the teams who compete in the territorial/provincial championships leading to the relegation event at the Scotties and Brier. The fund would be used for, but not limited to, assistance with travel to spiels, specialized coaching, entry fees and for other identified team development.

MOTION TO AMEND:

Moved by Maureen Miller (NWTCA), seconded by Janie Hobart (NWTCA), that the motion be amended to read:

That the Canadian Curling Association **investigate resources** to be accessible only to the teams who compete in the territorial/provincial championships leading to the relegation event at the Scotties and Brier. The **resources** would be used for, but not limited to, assistance with travel to spiels, specialized coaching, entry fees and for other identified team development. **The CCA shall report back to the membership on this matter at the 2015 NCC.**

MOTION TO AMEND:

CARRIED

AMENDED MOTION:

CARRIED

Noted:

- Maureen Miller clarified that it was not specifically funding but rather “resources” they were requesting to help improve and encourage the competitiveness of relegated teams at the Brier and Scotties.

2.0 FINANCIAL AND BUDGET INFORMATION

Cindy Maddock, Chair of the Finance and Audit (F & A) Committee, along with fellow committee members Peter Inch and Yves Maillet, as well as CEO Greg Stremlaw, COO Patricia Ray and Joe Wattie of Collins Barrow, participated in the presentation of financial and budgetary information.

Overview of CCA Finance and Audit Committee Processes and Audit Process

The processes utilized by the Finance and Audit Committee to oversee the finances of the organization throughout the year was explained by Governor Yves Maillet. Governor Peter Inch then outlined the thorough procedure undertaken by the F & A Committee and Collins Barrows LLP to complete the annual audit of the CCA.

Presentation of Audited Financial Statements as of April 30, 2014

Joe Wattie of Collins Barrow was introduced and he addressed the membership regarding the recently completed audit for 2013/2014. Mr. Wattie reviewed the Financial Statements and notes with the delegates and reconfirmed that, as outlined in the Auditor's Letter, it was a clean audit with nothing untoward to report. During the review, Mr. Wattie provided clarification in response to questions raised by the delegates. On behalf of the CCA, Cindy Maddock thanked Mr. Wattie for taking the time to travel to Niagara Falls to participate in the Finance and Audit portion of the NCC.

Financial Decisions made by the CCA

F & A Chair Cindy stated that on an annual basis the Finance and Audit Committee and CCA Governors deliberate and consult with the CEO to make a number of financial decisions related to the Curling Assistance Program (CAP), discretionary funding for the upcoming year and the status of Long-Term Reserve Fund.

During their recent meetings, the CCA Board finalized several decisions that will affect next year's finances:

- The operational surplus for 2013-2014 is \$127,420. Although operations had a net surplus of over \$500,000 and are eligible for discretionary funding, following discussion with the CEO, it was decided not to allocate any discretionary funding for the 2014-2015 fiscal year.
- Delegates were reminded that the bottom line for the year ending March 31, 2013 was not sufficient to allow for the annual CPI increase to be added to the Long Term Financial Reserve Fund (an amount of \$23,684). The calculation for this year's CPI increase, as of March 31, 2014, showed a further allocation of \$35,881. The CCA Board of Governors passed a motion at their meeting to designate \$59,565 from the accumulated surplus to make the Long Term Financial Reserve Fund current at \$2,427,976. Of this amount, 50% is restricted at \$1,213,988.
- The Curling Assistance Program (CAP) allocation for 2013-2014 grants totaled \$176,993 of which \$19,543 remains due to projects that were not completed/fulfilled. It is the Board's decision to add \$90,592 to CAP so that disbursements of \$110,135 can be made for the 2014-2015 curling season. The Curling Assistance Program is one of the most successful and appreciated programs implemented by an NSO and the CCA is pleased it is able to fund this program for the benefit of its Member Associations.

Review of 2014-2015 Operating Budget

CEO Greg StremLaw reviewed the 2014/2015 operating budget with the delegates, highlighting items he felt were of the highest interest to the MAs, answering their questions and providing background information when requested. Hard copies of the operating budget were made available to the delegates for their further perusal.

4.0 BUSINESS ARISING

There was no further business the delegates wished to discuss at this time.

Chair Hugh reminded those in attendance that hard copies of the updated CCA Business Plan for 2015-2018 were available in the meeting room for anyone who would like to take a copy back to their MA. This Business Plan will also be uploaded to the CCA's website after the NCC for access by other CCA stakeholders.

5.0 RECESS

Having dealt with all items on the agenda for the Business Session, Chris Manuge (NSC) moved, Marion Clark (NOCA) seconded, that the Business Session of the 2014 NCC recess until 8:00 pm when the introduction of candidates and Town Hall is scheduled to take place.

ADDENDUM

- RESIDENCY POLICY

2014 – 2015 POLICY – Residency Policy Requirements to Compete in a (National Championships)

PREAMBLE

Based on the ongoing issues relating to the definition of residency and the fact that the CCA has committed to undergoing a thorough review of national championships (including the residency issue) that may result in a number of recommendations being brought forward at the 2015 CCA AGM, the following amended residency policy is being presented for approval at the 2014 CCA AGM for use in the interim championship season (2014-2015).

It is understood that the policy below is to be in place for a one-year period only

Proposed Amended Policy for Residency (2014 – 2015)

All national curling championships involve the participation of teams that are made up of individuals who are full time residents within the geographic area of each Member Association. To ensure that all individuals are treated equally, a policy has been ~~agreed to~~ **established** that clearly outlines what an individual must be able to provide to be considered a resident for playdown purposes.

*It is understood that an individual can only participate in one province/territory in any championship season. (Explanation – an individual may only participate in the playdown process in one Member Association in one championship year – this includes all championships that lead to a ~~Season of Champions event as well as other provincial championships that may or may not lead to a national event.~~ These would include Masters, Juveniles, The Dominion **Travelers Club Championship**, etc. It is understood that the Canadian Mixed, held in November, will be part of the previous year's group of competitions even though it is dated in the following year. For example – the ~~2014~~ **2015** Canadian Mixed held in November of ~~2010~~ **2014** will be considered a part of the ~~2009/10~~ **2013/14** Championship season for residency purposes.)*

~~To that end it has been agreed that an~~ **An** individual must provide a minimum of three of the following ~~five~~ **four** items to the Member Association (if requested) whose playdown structure ~~they~~ **he or she** wish to enter:

- ** **Current Drivers License (or valid travel picture ID) from that province/territory**
- ** **Current Health Care Card from that province/territory**
- ** **Letter from employer confirming employment within the province/territory**
- ** **Statement from landlord (if renting) or bank (if owned) confirming residency within the province/territory – a copy of a property tax invoice/payment for non-mortgaged property is also adequate. **Recommend a statutory declaration is obtained.****
- ~~** **Valid picture ID required for travel purposes if the individual does not have a valid driver's license**~~

Traditional, on-campus, full time students will be allowed to establish residency by providing a confirmation letter from their school's Registrar's Office confirming full time status and class enrollment for the academic year. This policy defers to the institution which the student attends in terms of defining full-time student status.

~~The individual will also provide a signed waiver if requested that will agree to a one year suspension from any CCA sanctioned championship OR championships coordinated by Member~~

~~Associations (The Dominion, Masters and Juveniles) in the event it is discovered that any information has been provided in a fraudulent manner.~~

For Canadian Men's and Canadian Women's Championships, individuals MUST be a permanent residents of the province/territory in which they wish to enter playdowns prior to September 1st of the year preceding the championship season. **(For example – Sept 1st of 2010 2014 for the 2010/11 2014/15 championship season)** This time frame may be shortened in the following circumstances:

- Transfer due to employment
- School attendance
- Military service and transfer

Exemptions may be made in exceptional circumstances if granted by two Member Associations where:

- Individuals live within a short distance of a provincial/territorial boundary
- ~~An individual is based in two cities due to an employment situation~~
- Part-time students

~~(Exemption requests MUST be filed a minimum of 21 days prior to the Member Association's competition entry deadline)~~

- An individual is based in two provinces/territories due to an employment situation **(The individual must provide positive proof that their predominant employment from September 1st to March 31st, of the curling season the exemption is being requested for, will be located with the geographical area of the Member Association they wish to participate in*).**

Process for Exemption Requests

- Exemption requests must be received by the CCA and applicable Member Associations a minimum of 30 days prior to the Member Association's entry deadline.
- Detailed information will be required with the exemption request
- The respective Member Associations will review all information and approve or deny the application. If Member Associations cannot agree on a decision, a committee that includes the following three individuals will make the decision and their ruling will be considered final:
 - CEO of the CCA
 - Director, High Performance of the CCA
 - Chair or Vice-Chair of the Operations (ED) Council
- (*) Individuals who have employment in two curling jurisdictions may be required to participate in a formal interview that will include the identified employer, a representative of the Member Associations and the Director of High Performance of the CCA.

~~For events other than the Canadian Men's or Canadian Women's, you are required to be a Canadian citizen; however, there may be unique circumstances that allow you a curler to be residing outside of Canada and still be eligible to compete. These will be approved by the respective Member Association (for example – Point Roberts, Washington residents may be eligible to compete in Curl BC events leading to Canadian Juvenile, Master and Dominion Travelers competitions if granted an exemption by Curl BC).~~

~~In the event an exemption is requested and cannot be agreed to by the respective Member Associations, a committee that includes the following three individuals will make a decision and their ruling will become final:~~

- ✓ ~~Chief Executive Officer of the CCA~~
- ✓ ~~Director, High Performance of the CCA~~

✓ ~~One neutral member from the ED Council Executive~~

Any individual who has provided proof of residency or has been granted an exemption will also provide a signed waiver that will agree to a one year suspension from any CCA sanctioned championship OR championships coordinated by Member Associations in the event it is discovered that any information has been provided in a fraudulent manner.

Process for Challenges

It is understood that this policy will be a national policy and, in the event the policy is challenged, ~~the CCA will take whatever steps are required to defend the challenge and will be responsible for any costs associated with that challenge.~~ ***the CCA will assist in the defense of any challenge at the MA level and/or protect the CCA's interest and its costs, as the Associations mutually deem appropriate.***