

## October 23, 2007 CIS Board of Directors Conference Call Minutes

3:00 pm EST

Attendance: Don Wilson, President; Dick White, Past President and VP Sport; Leo MacPherson, Vice President Research and Development; Pat Murray, Vice President Marketing; John Ryan, Chair Finance Committee; Coleen Dufresne, CWUAA; Lorne Adams, OUA; Katie Sheahan, QSSF; Michelle Healey, AUS; Manon Vaillancourt, Chair Equity and Equality Committee; Jean-Guy Ouellette, Chair International Committee (3:15 pm EST).

CIS Staff: Marg McGregor, CEO; Tanja Mackin, Director, Finance & Administration; Joe Morissette, International Program Services; Tom Huisman, Director, Operations.

### 1. Assertion of an anti-doping rule violation: invoking of Provisional Suspension

T. Huisman provided the following background information:

1. The CCES asserts that a student-athlete has committed an anti-doping rule violation and proposes that the sanction for this violation be two years ineligibility; notification of same was provided on October 15, 2007
2. The assertion and associated sanction cannot be confirmed until a hearing is held on the matter, which the athlete has requested; for information, the athlete has also requested an extension to the timelines for a hearing due to complications associated with his recovery from a concussion sustained at the end of September
3. For information, the student-athlete has not yet received medical clearance to return to competition; any provisional suspension need not take effect until such time that he is medically cleared to participate
4. The hearing is tentatively scheduled to be heard no later than November 14, with a final determination to be provided no later than 5 days after the hearing; the latest date for a decision could therefore be November 19, and at all times prior to a decision, the student-athlete would be eligible to participate
5. The CIS semi-final football games are scheduled for November 17
6. The CIS Doping Control Review Committee convened on October 16 and is recommending the imposition of a provisional suspension, as per CIS Policy 90.20.5.
7. In making its recommendation, the Committee notes (a) its desire to avoid the prospect of the student-athlete participating through the playoffs, inclusive of a CIS Championship Bowl game, and (b) the substance is one that appears to be a known substance for a muscular doping regimen
8. As per CIS Policy, any provisional suspension recommendation must then be submitted to the members of the Board of Directors, who then have 24 hours to express any concerns regarding the provisional suspension
9. If supported, the timelines associated with the hearing will be accelerated such that the hearing will be heard within 14 days
10. The sample giving rise to the adverse analytical finding was collected on August 30

11. The adverse analytical finding was received by the CCES from the WADA-accredited laboratory on September 19
12. The sample had the presence of Letrozole metabolite; Letrozole is a prohibited substance according to the Prohibited List Rules of the CADP
13. Initial notification was provided by CCES to CIS, and immediately thereafter to the university and the athlete by CIS, on September 21
14. The CCES invited the athlete to provide a letter of explanation with respect to the presence of the substance by October 1, which the athlete did
15. In summary, the student-athlete's position was that the substance was contained within one of a number of supplements he had taken; he acknowledges he should not have taken the supplements, but the substance was not taken intentionally
16. The CCES completed its Initial Review of the matter and made the assertion of an anti-doping violation as noted above
17. As part of its Initial Review, the CCES considered CADP Rule 7.17:

It is each Athlete's personal duty to ensure that no Prohibited Substance enters his or her body. Athletes are responsible for any Prohibited Substance or its Metabolites or Markers found to be present in their bodily Samples. Accordingly, it is not necessary that intent, fault, negligence or knowing Use on the Athlete's part be demonstrated in order to establish this anti-doping violation. [Code Article 2.1.1]

18. The OUA quarter-finals are October 27; the OUA semi-finals are November 3; the OUA final is November 10; the CIS semi-finals are November 17; the CIS final is November 23

It was clarified that if the student-athlete was to play, and subsequently confirmed to be in violation, the team he played for would not be disciplined.

The CIS Doping Control Review Committee is recommending that the provisional suspension is to be effective only once the student-athlete is medically cleared to play. The act of invoking the suspension will accelerate the hearing and the student-athlete would have less time to prepare for his case. If the student-athlete is not medically cleared to play, the provisional suspension will not become effective, thereby providing the student-athlete with the extra time to prepare for the case.

**10-07-01 White / Murray**

**Carried**

**To approve the CIS Doping Control Review Committee's recommendation to invoke a provisional suspension on the student-athlete, to be effective at such time as the Student-Athlete is medically cleared to play.**

<b>2. Edmonton Request to identify bid procedure for the 2013 Summer Universiade</b>
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J. Morissette, M. McGregor and J.-G. Ouellette presented the following background information:

1. After the withdrawal of the Halifax Bid from the 2015 Commonwealth Games bid process, Sport Canada identified a new process for bidding for multi-sport games. This new process includes:
  - a. Before a franchise holder initiates the domestic phase of a bid, they must provide the following to Sport Canada:
    - i. Operational budget
    - ii. Infrastructure budget
    - iii. Final budgets and hosting costs from the past two Universiades (2 winters and 2 summers)

- iv. Financial and cost control strategies to manage the bid process as well as hosting cost
  - v. Benefits to Canadian sports system with emphasis on national team excellence programs as well as the long-term athlete development program.
- b. Once this information is provided to Sport Canada, it will take from **9 to 12** months before Sport Canada can provide indication of federal support for the games.
  - c. Once federal support is provided, the franchise holders can initiate the domestic phase of the bid process.
  - d. Sport Canada also indicated that they would like to see an increased level of sophistication in the CIS bid process and selection procedures.
2. At the 2007 CIS AGM, the international committee approved a plan and timelines to prepare the required information for Sport Canada with the target of bidding for a 2015 or 2017 Universiade. The timelines identified in the bidding process for 2015 and 2017 stretch from September 2007 to Spring 2009.
  3. The FISU deadline for submitting a bid for a 2013 Universiade is March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2008. The bid timelines can be found in Appendix C.
  4. CIS received a letter from the City of Edmonton and the University of Alberta (July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2007) requesting CIS to identify a process for Edmonton to submit a bid to host the 2013 Universiade.
  5. A response was sent from CIS on July 24<sup>th</sup> indicating that the CIS international committee would discuss the request during our September 2007 conference call and make a recommendation to the CIS Board of Directors
  6. The International Committee met on September 19 and approved the following motion to bring to the Board's for their approval at the October 9<sup>th</sup> Board meeting.  
  
Motion (moved by Hoffman, seconded by Lepine, supported unanimously):  
CIS International Committee declines the request of the City of Edmonton and the University of Alberta to identify a process for Edmonton to submit a bid to host the 2013 Summer Universiade.
  7. On October 7, a request was made to CIS to have Idee Inyangudor, Senior Advisor, Office of the Secretary of State, Foreign Affairs, Sports, participate in the October 9 Board call to provide some context from the Government of Canada. During the call Mr. Inyangudor indicated that the government isn't closing any doors on a bid for 2013, 2015 or 2017, and acknowledged the ultimate decision remains with the CIS Board of Directors.
  8. The Board decided to table the motion from the International Committee until October 23, and to do further exploration into the Federal Government's level of support and interest in bidding for a 2013 Universiade.
  9. Further discussions with the Minister's office and with Sport Canada after the October 9<sup>th</sup> Board call revealed the following:
    - i. the Federal Government (i.e. the Minister's office) can signal its general encouragement and support in principle for a 2013 bid. However they cannot commit financial resources at this stage. Any CIS bid would need to be evaluated against the Sport Canada criteria and against other bids, as CIS is not the only organization

eager to bring a games to Canada. Any bidding process must be done in a fair and transparent manner.

- ii. Sport Canada recognizes that the Universiades are an affordable games and that there is interest at both the municipal, provincial and federal level to bring these games to Canada. However, given the backlash of the failed 2014 Commonwealth bid, Sport Canada will not support a potential bid without CIS undertaking the new Sport Canada process for bidding for a multisport games. Sport Canada also indicated that they would need 9 to 12 months to evaluate and present to cabinet a CIS request for financial support for either a Summer or Winter Universiade bid for 2013 or other future Universiades.

10. What steps would need to take place before March 15, 2008 (FISU's deadline for bids):

- a) Preparation of materials for Sport Canada: Before a franchise holder initiates the domestic phase of a bid, they must provide the following to Sport Canada:
  - i. Operational budget
  - ii. Infrastructure budget
  - iii. Final budgets and hosting costs from the past two Universiades (2 winters and 2 summers)
  - iv. Financial and cost control strategies to manage the bid process as well as hosting cost
  - v. Benefits to Canadian sports system with emphasis on national team excellence programs as well as the long-term athlete development program.

Once this information is provided to Sport Canada, it will take from **9 to 12** months before Sport Canada can provide indication of federal support for the games. Once federal support is provided, the franchise holders can initiate the domestic phase of the bid process.

- b) CIS International Committee and Board approve selection criteria as well as updated CIS International Hosting Guidelines
- c) CIS circulates bid conditions/bid book and call for bids
- d) Letters of Intent submitted to CIS by bid cities
- e) A Draft bid, using the relevant CIS and FISU documents for submitting a bid as the template, submitted electronically to CIS by bid cities
- f) CIS Selection Committee, is appointed by CIS Board
- g) Selection Committee reviews bids and recommends which bids should move forward to the final selection process as well as provides feedback to on draft bids.
- h) Representatives of the CIS Selection Committee will make a site visit of all host sites that the CIS International Committee moved forward in the bid process.
- i) Upon review of the selection committee evaluation report, the International Committee will then recommend candidatures to the CIS Board of Directors, who will ratify which bid should go forward as Canada's nomination.
- j) Signing of CIS hosting contact with parties
- k) Final bid will be submitted by CIS to FISU.

**10-07-02 Ryan/Dufresne**

**Carried**

**To approve the International Committee motion to decline the request of the City of Edmonton and the University of Alberta to identify a process for Edmonton to submit a bid to host the 2013 Summer Universiade.**

Rationale:

1. Given time requirements for CIS to prepare a bid up to the standards CIS would want, and the timeframe required to assemble the information requested by Sport Canada and the time Sport Canada has indicated it would take to approve funding, it would be virtually impossible to initiate a bid process for 2013 while respecting the Sport Canada multi-sport bid procedure.
2. Given the timelines identified by FISU for the submission of a 2013 bid (final bids submitted by March 2008), it would be extremely difficult for CIS to initiate a fair domestic bid process in the event CIS did not follow the new Sport Canada multi-sport bid procedure.

The CIS Board directed the International Committee to continue their work towards a Canadian bid for Universiade 2015.

**ACTION:** CIS Office to circulate the board's decision with rationale, and a timeline for the distribution of bidding guidelines for a 2015 Universiade.

**3. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:35 pm EST.