**Competition Review**

**Junior Competitions:**

**Summary:**

Currently our junior competitions work on a four year cycle that culminates with Canada Games. In the first two years, the Eastern region and the Western region each host their own CWBL Junior Regional Championship. These regional championships are 3 vs 3 for development purposes. In the third year of the cycle, CWBL Junior Nationals are held. This competition is played 5 vs 5 and is used as the seeding tournament for Canada Games. In the fourth year of the cycle, teams go to Canada Games. From the information we gathered through the survey and the follow up calls with each province, the junior competition cycle is well received and has been working for the majority of provinces.

**Points of Discussion:**

1. There needs to be a consensus as to how long the shot clock will be.
2. The regional tournaments have run with both an open division and a 9 point division in the past. Should there be a change in the points in either or both of these division and what is the overall goal of having two separate divisions and how can this be done?
3. Are we prepared to lower the age heading into Canada Games 2019?

**Recommendations:**

**Women’s CWBL National Championship:**

**Summary:**

The CWBL Women’s National Championship has been run as separate event from all other competitions for the past two years. The competition happens on annual basis and this year saw representation from five teams and four different provinces. The women’s game continues to grow in Canada and this competition seems to be a success with only 9.09% of respondents answering that it did not provide meaningful competition for their team this year.

**Points of Discussion:**

1. For maximum participation, could there be a 3 vs. 3 component to the tournament or even a camp afterward where the women could be coached by our National Team Coaches?
2. The point system is currently at 17, what is the ideal point structure for this tournament and what would the timeline be for implementing this?
3. If an elite Men’s tournament was to be implemented in our competition structure, would the CWBL Women’s Nationals be held in conjunction with this or would it continue to be a stand-alone tournament.

**Recommendations:**

**CWBL National Championships / National Championships:**

**Summary:**

After the conclusion of the 2012 National Championship, which was composed of four men’s provincial teams, the tournament was placed on hiatus. In 2014, the CWBL Open tournament was renamed to the CWBL National Championships which saw 12 teams compete from five different provinces. The main difference between the two tournaments is that the National championship was comprised of provincial teams and the CWBL National Championship is comprised of club teams. The past 2 years, the CWBL National Championships allowed registration from any club team, (i.e. teams did not have to qualify out of your conference). This past year the CWBL National Championship saw nine teams compete from four different provinces.

**Discussion Points:**

1. Is there a need to have an elite men’s competition held again? Does that elite competition need to happen every year?
2. Should the elite competition be part of the CWBL National Championships as its own division or should it be a stand-alone event?
3. Should the CWBL club level competition be tiered to have an elite division, open division and / or 3 vs. 3?
4. In the elite competition, would we allow provinces to combine for maximum participation in the event? Would we allow the combining of provinces in the CWBL club level competition as well?

**Recommendations:**