D4 Update
June 2026
6:30pm Google Meets

Attendance
Chair – Amanda Waterfield **Present**
Past Chair - Del Brown
Vice Chair – Glenn Austin
Treasurer – Andrea Tunks **Present**
D4 Hockey Ops -
D4 Risk & Discipline – Mike Smith
D4 RIC – Brendon Stitt **Present**
D4 Assigning – Mike Clarkson **Present**
D4 Secretary – Jennifer Garner **Present**
D4 Registrar - Heather Nixon
D4 Webmaster – Brad MacDonald **Present**
LCMHL President – Mike Taylor **Present**
LCMHL Treasurer - Fiona Livingston **Present**
U9 LCMHL Statisticians –
U18 & U21 LCMHL Statisticians – Debbie Hechert **Present**
U11 LCMH Statistician – Jordan Heavens **Present**
U13 LCMHL Statisticians -
U15 Statistician – Amanda Wagorn
OVT - Joce Legault
Silver Seven - Tyler Nystedt
APMHA President - Kristen Drynan **Present**
CPMHA President – Josh Mavec **Present**
Romans – Martin Bouchard
MTK - Scott Dixon /Sarah Clark **Present**
RMMHC –Jim Wallace **Present**
SMHA – Rob Lomas **Present**
ORMHA - Cameron Legault
PLMHA President – Morgan McNevin **Present**
WCMHA – Chris Havey **Present**

Agenda Items:

Approval of April Meeting Minutes – Chris Havey & Morgan McNevin
Approval of Agenda for June - Morgan & Mike Taylor

LCMHL Update – Mike Taylor

I still have 3 of the Almonte banners, Kristen if I could get those to you. I will reach out.

Brad has put an instagram and Facebook page together for LCMHL, I'm looking for someone to manage this social media. These pages will be used to communicate with members.

Looking for U9 and U13 Statisticans.

Fiona is still working on the handbook changes, I hope to have a draft out for review before our next meeting.

Kemptville has reached out to participate in our U21 league again. They wanted clarification on overage players.

AW - the oldest they can be is 1 year older.

Mike Taylor puts motion forward to approve kemptville join U21

Morgan, Chris & Rob Lomas Approve. No reject.

Motion passes.

Fiona will send an update to the handbook out before the July meeting.

She will send out the update financials and the exception rules.

District Chair Report - Amanda Waterfield

All associations need to be in alignment with ONCA.

Amanda Welcomes all the new faces to the district meeting.

No HEO meeting this week. I will send an update after the meeting next Thursday or Friday.

Select Team Request

District 4 Roster Select Program

Background & Purpose

- Review HEO Roster Select Team Policy: https://www.hockeyeasternontario.ca/media/yhvpreos/655-heo-select-team-policy-for-house-league-rev-nov-2025.pdf
- Example of District-level program structure: https://nepeanminorhockey.ca/Pages/1558/Roster_Select_Program_%E2%80%93_U13_and_U15/
- Interest expressed by ORMHA, SMHA, and CPMHA
- Confirm District-level program structure and launching for 2026–27 season

Program Scope

- Determine age groups to be offered:
  - U12/U13
  - U14/U15
- Discuss single birth-year vs. mixed-age teams

Administration

- Establish District 4 Roster Select Committee (define roles and responsibilities)
- Program oversight (tryout /evaluations process, coach recruitment, roster sizes, and tournament participation)
- Budget administration (anticipated costs, player fees, and cost-sharing opportunities)

Ice Allocation & Scheduling

- Review available ice resources from participating associations
- Identify scheduling challenges and solutions
- Discuss practice and exhibition game requirements
- Determine tournament participation expectations and tournament selection process

DH - In terms of ice, would it be up to the association to give ice for that?

RL - That is still up in the air.

DH - the city of Ottawa gives ice based on the number of players you have. Since we aren't adding any players, we likely wouldn't get more ice.

JW - Pathways limit the number of games and tournaments you can participate in. Would these kids be an exception to this?

AW - Yes, they would be allowed additional games and tournaments as long as they don't interfere with their home team commitments.

KD -How would this work with the logistics of their regular teams?
JW - The Select teams would be taking ice away from the other house league teams.

MT - Suggests that we purchase additional ice at sensplex facilities.

BS - Does every association have to buy in? Or can just the 3 associations make up the district select team?
AW - we would not require all associations to participate.

BS - will the branch be responsible for discipline for this?
AW - No, we would.

Rob -Once the HL sort outs were done, we would look for coaches and then do tryouts and evaluations within the district. We would form a committee and do evaluations process for coaches and players.

RL - If you can't start this until after sort outs, you'll need to schedule the ice for that now.

CH - are you only pulling kids from Tier 1 teams?
Rob - No, anyone from HL can tryout.

MM - OMHA select tournaments are all U13, U15. Not birth years.

AW - requests that everyone send in their questions asap and we can find the answers. We'd like to wrap this up soon as plans will need to be made asap.

VP - Glenn

Treasurer - Andrea Tunks

District Risk & Discipline – Mike Smith

District Hockey Ops –

RIC & Assigning – Brendon Stitt & Mike Clarkson

District 4 / LCMHL Meeting Report

June 15th Virtual Meeting
Submitted by: Brendon Stitt, District 4 RIC

Recruiting, Retention & Roster Outlook

District 4 is currently tracking toward a strong retention rate heading into the 2026–27 season. Based on current numbers, our recruiting demand is significantly lower than last season, when we onboarded approximately 80 new officials district-wide.

Association Outlook

PLMHA

Minor-aged:

- 4 available spots
- All 4 spots already filled

Adults:

- 4 available spots
- 3 of 4 spots filled

APMHA

- Minor-aged officials: 3 spots, currently recruiting prospects
- Adult officials: 4 spots total
    - 1 confirmed
    - 1 possible
    - 2 open spots

WCMHA

- Minor-aged officials: 3 spots
- Will be holding a tryout process, with demand higher than available spots
- Adult officials: 3 spots total
    - 1 confirmed
    - 2 open spots

ORMHA

- Minor-aged officials: 2–3 spots
- Highest current demand for officials where interest exceeds staffing needs greatly for minor aged.
- Will be holding tryouts
- Adult officials: 2–3 spots, all currently open

CPMHA

- Minor-aged officials: 2–3 spots
- Will be holding tryouts for minor-aged officials

- Adult officials: 5 spots, all currently filled

RMMHA

- Giving Marek additional time to confirm final numbers
- Currently aware of 1 new adult official slotted in

SMHA

- Still waiting on final numbers

District-Wide Projected Totals

Minor-aged official projected demand: 24–25
Last season intake: Approximately 80 new officials

New adult officials: 30 total projected
Confirmed adult officials: 15 confirmed so far

Returning Officials

We also have several familiar faces returning to District 4 after a season or two away, including:

- Johnny Kyte
- Sawyer Brandino
- Zac Lawrence
- Hicham “Sam” Mourad
- Mike Levandier

There are also 2 additional officials I am currently working on bringing back after some time away.

In addition, Brandon Carr, a strong official from District B and Central, has joined District 4.

Timekeepers

Timekeeper demand is still a work in progress and will continue to be monitored as we move closer to the season.

Supervisions for the 2026–27 Season

Last season, District 4 completed **645 supervisions**, largely due to the intake of approximately 80 new officials.

For the 2026–27 season, the current plan is to budget for approximately **187 paid supervisions**. After applying the **$500 HEO supervision allowance**, the projected supervision

cost for the season will be approximately **$6,550**. This is more than half the dollar amount of last season, while still maintaining a strong development plan.

The goal is to reach approximately **400 total supervisions** through a combination of paid and cost-effective (free) supervision methods. This will allow us to continue supporting officials without increasing the financial burden on associations.

Cost-Effective Supervision Options

To reach our supervision targets, we will look to use:

- HP / Central givebacks
- Video supervisions
- Partner supervisions

Supervision Pay Structure

Due to the increase in District 4 official and timekeeper pay, it is not fiscally responsible to ask associations to also increase supervisor/coaching pay this season. Supervision rates will remain the same as previous seasons.

Off-Ice Supervisions

- 60-minute game: $25
- 90-minute game: $32
- 120-minute game: N/A

On-Ice Mentoring / Shadowing & Timekeeper Supervisions

- $22 per game

HP Givebacks

- No cost

Video Supervisions

- No cost

On-Ice Partner Supervision

- No additional supervision cost
- Only cost is the senior official's regular game fee
- Senior official provides notes and feedback on their partner

Mileage may still be applicable in some cases.

Additional Notes

New OBMHL RIC Sean Tobin

Final Dryland Session

One final dryland session remains before the season preparation period continues into clinics, camps, and tryouts.

TeamLinkt & RAMP Training

TeamLinkt and RAMP digital game sheet training for timekeepers is scheduled for **June 25th**.

A refresher session will also be needed once the season starts, especially as new timekeepers are brought into the system.

District 4 Referee Camp in Perth

The District 4 referee camp has two August dates scheduled:

- **August 24th**
- **August 26th**

Both sessions will include on-ice and off-ice instruction for District 4 officials.

Special guest coaches TBA

BS - With teamlinkt, there is no way for officials to verify suspended players or sign off on a curfew.

Mike Taylor - Very Quiet. Updated all the rates for the 26/27 season for on ice officials. Timekeeper rates will be added this week.

D4 Webmaster- Brad MacDonald

LCMHL/D4 website has been successfully moved to TeamLinkt.

D4 Registrar - Heather Nixon

APMHA - Kristen Drynan

Our Association meeting is next week. We had some questions regarding the digital gamesheets, will we need devices and who will be responsible for those?
AW - Teamlinkt can be done on any device through a browser.

CPMHA – Josh Mavec

Not too many updates, our next meeting will be this wednesday.

ORMHA – Cameron Legault

PLMHA – Morgan McNevin

Quiet here. Our golf tournament was a huge success, raising about $24k.

Transfers are starting to come in for U10.

Can we get a list of kids who were successful with Titans and OVSS?

AW - I will request those lists.

RMMHA – Jim Wallace

We finally have a full executive board.

SMHA – Rob Lomas

We opened our registration on the weekend and our next meeting is tomorrow.

WCMHA – Chris Havey

We have approved our budget for the upcoming season. We are going to open registration shortly. We will be bringing back Tier 1 tryouts, we hope this will help settle the questions regarding our team placements.

MTK – Scott Dixon

No real updates, our season planning is well underway. Ice contracts are being solidified. Our golf tournament was a real success.

ROMANS- Martin Bouchard

Titans – Joce Legault

Silver Seven – Tyler Nystedt