D4 Update
November 18, 2024
6:30pm In Person

Attendance

Chair – Amanda Waterfield **Present**
Past Chair - Del Brown
Vice Chair – Glenn Austin **Present**
D4 Hockey Ops - Steve Edgerton **Present**
D4 Risk & Discipline - Chris Benson **Present**
D4 - Mike Smith **Absent**
D4 RIC –
D4 Assigning – Mike Clarkson Absent
D4 Secretary – Jennifer Garner
D4 Registrar - Heather Nixon **Absent**
D4 Webmaster - Andy Backa **Present**
LCMHL President - Tom Stephens **Present**
LCMHL Treasurer - Fiona Livingston
U9 LCMHL Statisticians – Shawna Kealey
U18 LCMHL Statisticians – Debbie Heuchert
U11 LCMH Statistician – Mike Taylor
U13 LCMHL Statisticians - Jane Cameron
U15 & U21 Statistician – Jenny James
OVT - Joce Legault
Silver Seven - Tyler Nystedt
APMHA President - Scott Robillard
CPMHA President – Stuart Robinson
Romans – Martin Bouchard
MTK - Jennifer Downey **Present**
RMMHC –Jim Wallace **Present**
SMHA – Terry Foley **Present**
ORMHA - Cameron Legault **Present**
PLMHA President – Morgan McNevin **Present**
WCMHA - Natasha Danschinko **Present**

Agenda Items:

Approval of October Meeting Minutes –Steve seconded Terry

LCMHL Update - Tom Stephens

District Chair Report - Amanda Waterfield

HEO minor meeting was last week. They are very busy with world jr starting. They have a fun thing that will be starting for blind hockey, 3 games at landsown park. If players want to go and watch they are more than welcome to. They have bells in the puck, 3 high performance officials have been hired to work all 3 games.

If any of your associations are interested in reaching out with the condors or sledge hockey I would be happy to put you in touch with them.

Spring tryouts have been approved for AAA. AA is waiting for the approved disposition for U9-u16. Expected dates are May 5th-13th. AAA is done May 4th

HEO is seeing a significant drop in suspensions across all districts. This time between tryouts and now we have 106 from 161 last year.

At house we have 20 suspension last year 54
Rep B 74 suspension last year 95
AA 12 suspensions, same as last year.

HEO is doing a video review policy. We are all looking at it right now to review. I will send that around. This policy hasn't been reviewed for 2018

Here in district 4 we are planning to host 34 tournaments. Other districts are cancelling tournaments because of low enrollment.

Stittsville and CP have wait lists for their tournaments.

We are having an RIC meeting this Thursday night. We have shared the policy for u9 officials.

Travel permits, we have 451 tournaments that teams will be attending within district 4.

If U9 uses all 4 of their tournaments at half ice, they can not do a full ice tournament after the January 15th.

From August 30th until Oct 31st, we have had 582 games scheduled in district. 5 games have been cancelled due to lack of officials.

If Rep B is rescheduling games they need to complete the B League form and it will come to Mike from the convener.

74 new officals in district. 29 recruited from outside of district. 2 of those have done have helped with 120 games

We will be removing 39 unactive officials from Horizon.

We are doing an online last chance recertification.

HEO is doing a female only coaching course for free Dec 21st currently 37 have shown interested.

I've requested that coaching clinics and official trainings happen in the spring as September gets very busy or in the last few weeks of August while people are on holidays.

The last two weeks I have been delivering baked goods to officials to thank them and help them. I am popping into rinks whenever I can to watch new officials.

We have one hearing this week.

How many other districts are hosting a U21 league. 3 other districts are hosting, 1st fight is a 3 game suspension, 2nd fight and you're out of the league.

HEO has a zero policy regarding alcohol.

U21 players must wear full face mask and neck guards.

Glenn – VP/Treasurer

We got the officials paid on the 15th. The migration to the new payroll system effective.

I need to run some invoices off to the sensplex.

District Risk & Discipline - Chris Benson

District Hockey Ops – Steve Edgerton

RIC -Assigning Mike Clarkson

D4 Webmaster- Andy Backa

Website transition is going well. We got stats this week, this will be a work in progress.

There is still an issue with games being locked. Sportzheads locks games after 24hrs.

We're using the default tie breaker rule. Tom has requested a meeting with sportzheads to figure this out.

Stu – We used sportzheads for scheduling for our U9 Jamboree it was $350. We will not use it again.

D4 Registrar - Heather Nixon

APMHA - Scott Robillard

CPMHA – Stuart Robinson

U9 Jamboree went really well. There was a mix up in tier 3 and ABC with smithsfalls. Our CP team ended up playing a B team from the C div.

We have an 11.4 suspension that I am concerned about.

ORMHA – Cameron Legault

We did our November C tournament, it was a lot of fun. Pathways make it difficult bc the teams are formed so late.

We need to do more vetting for player transfers in the future.

PLMHA – Morgan McNevin

We have a new RIC, he has been out training the U9s. he has stepped up and is doing real well. He has lots signed up for the online recertification course.

Everything is going smooth.

We have a coach who is on suspension pending VSC.

RMMHA – Jim Wallace

U21 – I spoke with them and reminded them that hockey is a privilege not a right.

U9 hockey – we have a sponsor to buy them but we have no where to store them.

We don't have an official RIC but our assistant hockey ops is also and official and has been helping out.

Our executive is relatively new, but they are all

SMHA – Terry Foley

- GIR 1731555974-9562600001 from Nov. 13th. GIR states that a parent of a Stittsville player was given a 11.5(c) for Threatens, attempts to strike (Against Official). Note that the Stittsville team in the GIR is incorrect, as it was B3 playing not, B1; there was a game swap. I have already gathered firsthand accounts from three individuals who were involved from the SMHA side. Given the write up in the GIR and the 3 firsthand accounts I have read, I don't believe 11.5(c) is correct as there was no attempt to strike or threaten the officials. I would like to have the D4 RSO get the firsthand account from the officials so SMHA can address the situation with our members if required.
- SMHA Ice up to Nov 15th:
    - Ice Sold to:
        - OVT – 13.5 hours
        - OVSS – 31 hours – Additional hour sold to OVSS on Nov. 9th.
    - SMHA sold 10 hours of ice over four dates to LCMHL to facilitate U21 games for ease of scheduling officials.
- SMHA held our U11 and U13 house A tournament on Nov. 8-10. U11A champions were the Cumberland Dukes who defeated Kanata in the finals in OT. The U13A champions were Stittsville U13 A1 who defeated the Cumberland Dukes 3-0 in the finals.
- I have received several inquiries/complaints from my U18 house B teams about a player on the Almonte U18 B1 team. Apparently, the player has played AAA for several years but is now in house B and already has 18G and 4A in 8 games. Our teams are wondering how this player ended up in house B and if he will be moved up to house A.

WCMHA – Natasha Danschinko

We had our west carleton day and crusaders day.

We have a new risk and safety guy who is learning and taking stuff on.

I had a respectiful and informative meeting with Lou. Cam came as well. Lou was open to holding a mediation. Lou agreed to Natasha sending his information to Craig Halpanny. Craig has not reached out yet.

Tom – was he open to coming back as an RIC For West Carleton?

Natasha – I don't know, he still has some things to work out. I let him know that we need an RIC and if he isn't interested then we need to find someone else.

MTK – Jennifer Downey

- Things are moving along at MTK
- MTK Day was a success on Nov 9th
- Canada Veteran Affairs, Commemorative Puck Drop was held, which was a nice touch to our day.
- A concern to note:
- B League schedule of games vs teams that are back to back especially at the older age groups, as a District, I would like to advocate for this change for next season at the B League table.

At MTK day there was a parent banging on the glass being disgruntled with the referees. I approach the parent about his behaviour as the president of MTK. That association then emails and complained about me.

As a group we agree that it is important to address these situations.

ROMANS- Martin Bouchard

Titans – Joce Legault

Silver Seven – Tyler Nystedt

-S7 day was a success. Tons of food and money raised for the Lanark food bank. S7 went 10-2 for the day.

-S7 day at the Ottawa senators was on Thursday Nov 14th. We had 484 tickets sold. It was a great event

-All teams have completed their Gender talk

-S7 two weekend tournaments were well attended and no issues like last year. Moving it to back to back weekends was huge for Toronto team attendance

-As per Amanda we have started to plan our U9-U16 tryouts for the spring. Starting May 5th

-Financials are looking strong