



## LMLL MEETING MINUTES      DATE: NOVEMBER 3, 2021

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**Call to Order (time):** 7:00 via zoom

President Jason Arseneault chaired the meeting.

Minutes: Liz Page – VP and acting Secretary

### **OMHA Report:**

Dean Johnson shared his report

- Coaching Clinics Coach 1 and 2 are available on demand, There are some D1 clinics coming available.
- Gender Identity online course – still unavailable and because it is required for all bench staff, OMHA is extending a grace period until such time it is available, rosters are being approved in spite of G.I being outstanding, it will be up to respective Centres to follow up and ensure their benchstaff have G.I once it becomes available – stay tuned
- Rosters should be submitted as soon as possible. If you are entering a tournament and need a roster approved in a quick turnaround, please reach out to your Roster Convenor and give them as much notice as possible. Please submit all rosters by Dec 1, 2021.
- Every single game requires a qualified Coach and Trainer. If you are short a Trainer and sharing between benches, this **MUST** be noted in the notes/comments on the electronic Gamesheet, or your team could face an unfortunate bench staff suspension. If your Assistant Coach is filling in for the Head Coach ,this must also be noted on the game sheet. Failure to have a Trainer and Identified Head Coach on a gamesheet can result in suspension.
- Coaches who are qualified to be a Trainer cannot fill both roles in a game situation, likewise for Trainers who are qualified to Coach.

- Individuals qualified to be a Trainer can fill in on another bench if the need arises, add their name and qualifications in the Comments section of Gamesheet and the reason they are filling in.
- Online Referee Course should be available next week, the hope is, having 200 more qualified Officials in our Region will alleviate some of the issues related to having to cancel/reschedule games
- Huron Perth, Southwestern, Lambton Public Health and London Middlesex Public Health have issued an edict: All individuals eligible for vaccination must show proof of double vaccination to be allowed into municipal facilities
- Reminder – as per the OMHA policy, as of October 31<sup>st</sup>, all players eligible for the vaccination must show proof of vaccination as well
- While listing penalties on gamesheet, please do not guess at the codes, reach out to Dean if you are unsure or have any questions as mistakes can result in complicated outcomes including suspensions
- HCR 3.0 is operational and has some hiccups that are being worked through
- If a team receives an abundance of penalty minutes, Head Coaches can face suspensions. For U13 and below, the threshold is any penalties over 26 minutes. For U15-U18 , the threshold is any penalties over 36 minutes. 10 minute misconducts for players do not count however, bench penalties/misconducts do count.
- Todd Henderson will be reviewing U18 OMHA gamesheets to track penalty minutes and issue appropriate sanctions in the event a team surpasses the 36 minute threshold .
- U8 and U9 games **must** be using the paper “Modified Gamesheet” this consists of a list of participants as well as the qualified benchstaff etc.
- Completed “modified game sheets” must be sent to Dean following games – address to follow

**1) Statisticians Report:** Joe was was absent for the meeting.

**2) Financial Report:** Wade (Thamesford) was in attendance.

- LMLL has \$4081.00 in the bank
- Wade emailed an invoice per Association for League fees, please remit cheque or etrans payment asap (etran password – please use hockey )
- Wade received the Gamesheet Inc Invoice which was over \$5k. he asked for some latitude to remit payment in order to collect league fees, they responded offering a few days grace period.

- Wade shared the challenges he is having with banking. Former President of LMLL is still listed as the second “signer” on the bank account. Logistically, he cannot even order new cheques to pay invoices and Jason would need to meet at the bank to change the second signature to be Jason. Wade suggested we consider moving to a single signature since he is currently allowed to etransfer money etc. Following discussion, Wade made a motion for “signing to be reduced to a single signer, with the Treasurer providing a written financial report each month for Directors to review” . Wade’s motion was seconded by Dorchester, no objections were noted, motion was passed unanimously.
- Wade asked if Centres who have two smaller teams should pay double league fees, it was decided they should not.

### **New Business:**

- 1) U8** - There appears to be some confusion around who is scheduling U8 games. Centers began scheduling their own U8 games but stopped when asked to do so, there does not seem to be a consistent practice at this time so after a lengthy discussion, it was left at Coaches scheduling their own U8 games. We are mindful U8 and U9 do not have “play offs”, hoping a Jamboree could be organized for the end of March, Lambeth had some excellent plans from last year that were derailed. They are willing to consider hosting if they had suitable ice availability but if not, they are happy to share their plan from last year, with whichever Centre has the ability to host. All Centres were asked to check with their Executive to see if they had capacity to host a Jamboree. Perhaps Jamborees could be held at multiple centres to alleviate the pressure from just one.
- 2) Centre Rep Passes** – Liz has picked up the Centre Rep passes and will be mailing them to each Rep. Please complete the electronic form inputting your mailing address asap. If you lose the pass, let Liz know in case she can get a replacement. Please communicate with your Centre gate workers to let them know the passes will be coming through and are legitimate. They are only good for LMLL games.
- 3) Championship Hats-** Each rep was asked to count any remaining hats. If you are a new Rep, please contact the former Rep to see if there were any leftover Championship hats. Last time we ordered them, they were \$6370.00 so we need to round up any leftovers to assist with offsetting the cost of re-ordering for this year’s Championships.
- 4) Scheduler Role** – this season, Gwen generously helped us out. Going forward, we need to define the roles more clearly. Scheduler and Statistician could be two separate roles, this discussion and decision should occur prior to AGM and a job description be drafted. There was unanimous agreement Gwen should receive

some remuneration for the 25 hours she put in doing the schedule. We are hopeful she will do the second half of the season as well. Jason will speak to Gwen and ask her for an estimate around her pay with Shamrock so we are in line with the average pay.

- 5) **Suspensions** – the list of outstanding suspensions was circulated, Centres who used Officials and Gamesheet and tracked suspensions can assume their players have served their suspensions, all others must adhere to the outstanding suspension list.
- 6) **Referee Shortage**-although we are hopeful the upcoming online Referee Clinic will address the shortage, there is some confusion around whether U8 and U9 games require Officials. Dean advises they do, Jason believes there is some direction from OMHA that they don't. Clarity will be forthcoming. In the meantime, please use Officials for those games.
- 7) **Facebook** – Liz asked if LMLL could have a Facebook page that communicates “news items” only. Eliminating the ability to comment. Feedback was, there was no way to remove the ability to comment which makes the idea a non-starter

**LMLL website**- It was noted the LMLL rules on the website are outdated. The Executive is also outdated. Liz and Rob and will collaborate to update the site. Current Minutes should also be added.

Motion to Adjourn the meeting at 9:35pm by Jason, unanimous approval – Meeting adjourned

**Next meeting date WEDNESDAY December 1, 2021 –@ 7:00pm via zoom**