

# **East Lambton Minor Hockey Association**

Sept 29, 2020 - 8:00pm

Location: Watford Arena (Upstairs)

Attending: Adam MacKellar, Marty Swan, Jamie Leyten, Julie Hayter, Dereck Holmes,  
Brian Thorne, Sarah McLean, Steve Minten, Brad Rombouts, Travis Duncan, Brad  
Blain, Brian Jubenville

Regrets: Kerri Angus, Dan Davidson

## **1.0 Call to Order**

## **2.0 Approval of Agenda**

MOTION (Brad R./Marty) Approval of this agenda. Carried.

## **3.0 Approval of Previous Minutes**

MOTION (Steve/Brad B.) Approval of the September 2, 2020 minutes. Carried.

## **4.0 Business arising from the minutes/ Action Items**

**Action Item: Brian to post information regarding the final installment of registration**

## **5.0 Correspondence**

## **6.0 Treasurer's Report (Julie Hayter)**

Only registration funds have been collected in September. August was already reported at the Sept. 2 meeting. September will be reported in our October meeting.

## **7.0 League Reports**

### **7.1 OMHA (Adam Mackellar)**

### **7.2 Shamrock League (Adam Mackellar)**

Shamrock Meeting – Sept 21/20 – Zoom

- As of sept 17 75% of kids registered for hockey across Canada compared to last year
- Need to get our certificate of insurance to the arenas.
- MB sports is now called "Sportshead"
- Rosters so far this year will be 9 + 1
- Rosters do not have to be completed until we want to have games.
- U7 can have a coach ref their own modified games.
- U8&9 can have 1 ref do their modified games.
- U10 and above need 2 refs for their modified games.
- Coaches should check their certifications
- Dean will confirm how many rosters a coach or trainer can be on this year with these small teams.

- Our COVID-19 procedures on what happens when symptoms are shown at the screening table need to be updated to follow the local health unit. Adam has been in contact with them and will let everyone know the proper procedure to follow.
- Update on our "insurance and assessment" invoice. No response what the "assessment" gets us.

### **7.3 Lambton Middlesex (Brad Rombouts)**

- LMLL received a very similar update from OMHA as Adam shared above.
- Half the centers have not started due to lack of ice. Mount Brydges, Strathroy and Dorchester are tiering players.
- No centers really playing inter-center games.
- Presidents of the various Lambton associations are in discussions about a potential Lambton league should the opportunity present itself at a later date.

## **8.0 New Business**

### **8.1 Return to Play Protocols**

- Arena Protocols - Adam in discussions with Teresa about the possibility of dressing in the dressing room. If this were to be considered, the players would have to dress in 15 minutes and remain structured and distanced in the room. Randy is also open to making the dressing rooms available before ice times, with similar requirements. Parents still are not welcome to spectate at this time, but this may be considered in the future. Alvinston Arena will also begin without spectators.
- Mask Wearing - All coaches and volunteers tying skates must wear a mask, as well as any other situation in which physical distancing cannot be maintained.
- What to do when your Child is Sick - Health Unit Guidance Document & Return to Play Document Update

Adam shared the following update for the ELMHA Return to Play:

### **Symptoms or Positive Covid-19 Test**

If a member tests positive for COVID-19 they cannot interact with anyone in the hockey community, and must be quarantined for 14 days before being allowed back to any hockey activities. All close contacts including family members are included in this quarantine.

If you have questions about symptoms or feel you need to be tested please contact the local health unit. The health unit will contact East Lambton if they require contact tracing paperwork.

Anyone with COVID-19 symptoms should self-isolate at home and avoid contact with other people for 14 days following the start of symptoms. After 14 days, self-isolation may end so long as there is no fever and symptoms are improving.

To return to hockey after having symptoms players must self isolate for 14 days, or get a doctors note stating they have been given a clean bill of health, or have a negative covid test. For any of these 3 scenarios that player must also wait 24 hours after all symptoms have disappeared.

The above is non negotiable.

**Action Item: Adam to update the Return to Play Document with this Symptoms or Positive Covid-19 Test section. Steve to post an updated Return to Play on our website.**

d) Gearing Up - Transportation Canada Document

**Action Item: Steve to post this document to the parents section/tab on our website.**

## **8.2 Ice Times & Player Groupings beyond October 4, 2020**

**MOTION (Jamie/Brad B.) that the groupings within our hockey bubbles be reorganized to have a mix of major and minor players into two tiered groups moving forward. Carried.**

- New schedule will begin Monday, October 5, 2020.
- Managers will determine the groups in a manner that works best for that particular group.
- Parents will be notified on or before October 4 via email.
- Each group will have a manager, coach, and trainer.
- The second tier group in Midget has been without a goalie to this point. The Riley family has expressed interest in registering Danielle, if this opportunity is available. Jacob Beattie may also be interested since the Bantam group currently has five goalies.

**Action Item: Marty to contact the Beattie family and Brian to contact the Riley family to offer the opportunity of playing with this Midget group for this season.**

## **8.3 Registration**

- Registration to close online. New registrants will have to contact Travis Duncan.
- Nearly all first installments have been paid with the remaining to follow shortly.
- Any new registrants will be required to pay in full.
- 225 players have registered to date.

## **8.4 Goalie Clinics**

- Paul Burgess is looking into renting ice in Watford and offering his own goalie clinics under his own insurance
- ELMHA goalies will be made aware of this opportunity; participation will be at the cost to the player - these clinics will have no affiliation with ELMHA this year.

## **8.5 Equipment**

- Reminder: Neck guards are still mandatory and coaches should enforce this at practices

**Action Item: Sarah to prepare 12 trainer bags for our new groups including PPE and hand sanitizer.**

**Action Item: Jamie to provide each new manager with a bag of pucks.**

**Action Item: Brad B. to contact Mark vanLieshout to investigate sponsors.**

**9.0 Next Meeting - Tuesday, October 27, 2020.**

**10.0 Adjournment**

MOTION (Brad R./Steve) to adjourn. Carried.