



# Muskoka Parry Sound Local League Meeting Minutes

Date/Time: Thursday, September 22, 2022 / 7:00pm

Location: Almaguin: Burk's Falls Legion at 7pm

Committee Members Present: Dan Hildebrandt (MPSLL President/& PS), Pat Parlette (OMHA Convenor), Aaron Hill (MPSLL Vice President/ & AMHA), Alexandra Havlik (Sec/Treas/ & HMHA), Jeff Barnes Scheduler/ & SM), Krysta Sharp (HS), Jordan Joanu (HS), Andrew McDermott (HS)

Guests: Don Collison (Ref-in-Chief), Rebel Kennedy (AMHA) Cathy McNichol (AMHA)

Regrets: Clint Carleton (Past President), Debbie Marling (Statistician/Scheduler), Ron Harrison (PS) Trevor Coulter (MR)

Subject	Discussion
<b>Previous Minutes</b>	MPSLL Meeting – Aug 18 / 2022 - approved Jeff/Aaron
<b>Board Reports</b>	President Vice-President Secretary\Treasurer OMHA Representative\Convenor: - Pat Parlette invited Don Collison Officials; Entry Level Clinic in PS; 37 Officials in MPS. Past President Statistician Scheduling Coordinator- Jeff Barnes: Black out dates due Sept 30; # of teams (sponsors if you have them) multiple teams will be team#1, team#2. Communications \ Social Media- Alexandra: Website contacts to be updated.



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### Outstanding Items

#### **1 ) Finance - Review of Finance any outstanding fees from Hockey Clubs, for the Wrap Up and any other.**

- SM cheque missing, can redo
- Cheque Signing Officer's Authorization status- completed

#### **2 ) Further discussion around U8 Divisions - How and who will be scheduling games.**

- 1/2 ice games
- Wrap Up Jamboree (PS has jamboree in tournaments)
- Is U8 part of league or pathway? No, they run on pathway.
- Scheduling 1/2 ice is an issue. We will not be scheduling games. Just exchange contacts to book games with IP Director/LL Director.
- provide U8 contact list from your association, along with list of coaches, managers, schedulers for each centre for U8-U18LL

#### **3 ) Further review of MPSLL Divisions U11 to U18 - number of regular season games( 18? ).**

Regular season games

- 20 game season is too ambitious
  - 18 weekends & blackout dates = 18 game season
  - Playoffs March 3/4 vote to keep weekend of March 3- confirmed
- Last week of February = end of games

U9:

- 9 game season & playoff
- 1/2 ice until then
- March 3/4 playoff
- That's 7 weekends of full ice
- some weekends will double up

Scheduling Meeting:

- 1) Team #s
- 2) Black out dates (if you are in a tournament)

Send to Dan & Jeff, the earlier the better

#### **4 ) Review of use of Overage ( 18 Year old ) Players as well as how many can be used by teams.**

All Over-agers must get approved by MPSLL

Rule - Overages and Playing Down (Even for example u18 to u15 is "play down")

- We allow 3 players per team, per division
- Helps fill teams
- Submit over-agers playing down to MPSLL board for approval. Add note to describe the player: (History of player, Penalties, What Level: LL/Rep? Goalie? Are they in the right group? Is it fair?)

Suggestion to association to make player overage a team leader.

**Overages due Oct 30**



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**5 ) For the purposes of preparing for our Scheduling Meeting, looking to get an estimate now on projected number of Local League teams in each division ( best guess at this point ).**

**Reminder: Final number of teams in each division, to be submitted no later than Sept 30 / 2022. (Plus black out dates & Select teams.)**

MPSLL Scheduling Meeting, Tuesday, October 4 6:30pm South Muskoka Bracebridge arena

- Game matches will be done, scheduler just applies dates and times
- Association representative brings dates from scheduler for each division
- Have 1st date Saturday Oct 15 ready to play games
- Ask Scheduler for first 2 entries, (first 2 weekends), then you have 4-5 days to populate rest of games into your system
- You are only scheduling home games
- If you have all your available arena dates bring those
- Team numbers or Team sponsor names
- Black out dates - ask LL coaches for tournaments
- Black out Christmas and Family day Sunday
- Schedule appropriately for officials in mind to bundle times ( i.e. don't schedule 9am, 12pm, 3pm, you will pay mileage
- Families in different divisions: good to bundle their trip for away games on same day

**6 ) MPSLL Season Start: October 14 & End Date: Playoffs March 3-5?**

Start date Saturday Oct 15 is 1st game to March 3 Weekend Playoffs

**7 ) Electronic Game Sheets-Setup, reach out to prior MPS Rep & Club Status EGS**

- Debbie Marling/Jeff Barnes will be admin and set up teams
  - MPSLL gets it's own code(s) from Gamesheets,
  - EGS billing to MPSLL needs to be ready to go before games
  - MPSLL to be billed and then will bill to every association
- 1st time load EGS -need to work to input teams
- MPSLL special rules will be sent out
  - give List of Rules to Head Referee in Chief and Timekeeper's Box

**8 ) A MPSLL Tournament?**

- MPSLL Tournament as a league i.e. Peterborough Lift Lock
- Open beyond our own teams
- Future year i.e. Family Day weekend

Can we charge tournament fee? Pat - need to look at OMHA policy for League.

**update:** - there can be NO gates at OMHA sanctioned events including tournaments.

**9 ) Rosters: MPSLL request final rosters due October 30**

Oct 30 rosters due final rosters due to MPSLL for review



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#### 1 ) Game Ejection - penalties review and other Rule Changes from the Referees

Don Collison Referee in Chief for area / district & Pat Parlette OMHA Rep

Rule changes/Structure changes in OMHA:

- Local League rules should be the same in all centres
- Check to see if different versions of our rules are posted. Hard to keep rules posted in different arenas, they are taken down by arena.

Head Contact:

- Elbowing is no longer in rules. You will see more head contact instead of elbowing.

OMHA AGM:

- Only 5 from our region attended (too few)
- Mileage is up, 61 cents/km, passed, see payment schedule
- Referees, we were below 2023 local league referee payment, Midget is \$33 to be same

Fair Play:

- OMHA requires fist bump or shake prior to game. Officials check mouthguard & throat guards prior to game and eliminates sending kids off in middle of game by checking prior to game. Let coaches know it is prior to game.

“Hold the Bench”:

- Tell coaches you have to hold the bench.
- 2 min. penalty for quick huddle, wait for referee to allow. Breaks between periods
- No huddle. Even coming out of penalty bench, wait for referee to allow. Can not leave bench without referee’s approval.
- Have coaches download OMHA rule book app
- Referees told “Here’s the rule, apply it.” No pages of situations anymore.

Game Misconduct:

Main change this year “maltreatment”. If you personalize it or make comments, it is game misconduct.

Match penalties, gross misconduct penalties - same

-Match penalties under rule 5- Maltreatment

Gross misconduct - (racial/gender/sex based) if we don’t see it as a referee, we can’t call it. But, if reported to referee, the referee has to note it down. i.e. PS team said this .... it stays on your record.

Body Checking Rule:

Rebel Kennedy ( Referee-In-Chief AMHA ) asked about the body checking rule. Raised concerns about kids getting game ejections as per the current rule and application of it, even where the resulting body check was Incidental ( definition from Merriam-Webster “being likely to ensue as a chance or minor consequence.” “occurring merely by chance or without intention or calculation”. This would address things like a weak skater stumbling into someone with no formal intent to check someone.



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	<p>While he agreed it should still be a penalty, but suggested the use of a categorizing Incidental Body Checks differently ( e.g. could be something like Charging or Boarding or something else ), that would still allow a penalty without the game ejection. He suggest the possibility of including the rule in the MPS LL Rules. It was also noted that the end penalty would still be at the discretion of the Referee on how what to call. All of which to be discuss further.</p>
	<p><b>2 ) Constitution Review: Need to review constitution, i.e. penalty minutes, fines, # of kids that can move up. To send out in Google Doc to MPSLL Representatives.</b> <b>Add suggestions from your association in comments, print out all suggestions. Each centre can be a colour; only one representative to make changes.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Constitution last reviewed in 2017, 2019</li> <li>- To upload to Google Docs</li> <li>- Centre's are expected to review and to make any suggestions and/or comments where they see fit. Centres when they make suggestions or comments will have their own colour, to distinguish their own from other centres.</li> <li>- For current season we will use current rules</li> <li>- seek Referee feedback as well</li> </ul>
<p><b>Round Table Discussion</b></p>	<p>AMHA – Huntsville – HS – PS – SM – MR –</p> <p>All Centres reporting planning is well underway with good registration numbers overall. Teams are being finalized along with the needed coaching staff for their Local League Teams. All centres working to assess number of teams in preparation of Scheduling Meeting. Centers indicating things are looking positive.</p>
<p><b>Adjournment:</b></p>	

**Next meeting Date & Time:** November 14, 2022

**Location:** Google Meet