



# Muskoka Parry Sound Local League Meeting Minutes

Date/Time: Monday, November 14, 2022 / 7:30pm

Location: Google Meet

Committee Members Present: Dan Hildebrandt (MPSLL President/& PS), Pat Parlette (OMHA Convenor), Aaron Hill (MPSLL Vice President/ & AMHA), Alexandra Havlik (Sec/Treas/ & HMHA), Debbie Marling (Statistician/Scheduler), Krysta Sharp (HS)  
Guest: Andy Cooke (OMHA Regional Director)

Regrets: Jeff Barnes Scheduler/ & SM), Clint Carleton (Past President), Jordan Joanu (HS), Andrew McDermott (HS), Ron Harrison (PS), Trevor Coulter (MR)

Subject	Discussion
<b>Previous Minutes</b>	MPSLL Meeting – Sept 22 / 2022 - approved Aaron/Krysta
Board Reports	<p><b>Dan, President</b> South Muskoka needed to change U11 from 3 to 2 teams. Thank you Clint for rescheduling U11 match-ups. Centres to schedule games. Thank you to Debbie for Electronic Game Sheet (EGS) set up. EGS had launch challenges/upload issues. U9 is in Pathway program (1/2 ice games and development by associations until Jan 10/2023). MPSLL to schedule U9 match-ups and then take back match-ups to your association's scheduler to add home game ice time-slots and locations.</p> <p><b>Aaron, Vice-President</b> - Scheduling to be discussed.</p> <p><b>Alexandra, Secretary\Treasurer</b> Signing authority done. Collecting outstanding 2021-22 team/championship fees. To change bank contact mailing address; look into accepting e-transfers.</p> <p><b>Pat, OMHA Representative\Convenor</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Turned over to guest <b>Andy Cooke, OMHA Regional Director</b></li> <li>- Goaltender Sharing allowed in emergency/specific situations, such as between teams in same division, (i.e. 3 teams with 2 goaltenders); at Tournaments (take both rosters showing goaltender is rostered to that association); or sharing between associations (when extra goaltender is available). Up to MPSLL to determine how (i.e. asterisk on game sheet).</li> <li>- OMHA Board Table discussion about Local League is refreshing. LL/House League/recreational hockey is 90% of membership.</li> <li>- Hockey Canada situation discussed.</li> <li>- Refereeing: Don Collison, Area Supervisor, presented at past MPSLL meeting. Be aware of Rule 11. Rules haven't changed, just how they are administered. Conversation with Dave Wedlake, Chair Referee Program, about referees over-calling/over-compensating. Forward your questions to Pat &amp; Andy. Andy can review and make changes to game sheet if necessary. Educate our coaches to let referees do their job, without giving advice to referees on how to do their job.</li> <li>- Discussion about high number of Referee calls this year: LL takes body checking seriously because it's not expected/not part of game. Difference between body checking and body contact. Are referees calling body checking as body contact? LL players are possibly receiving game ejections for body contact. Rebel Kennedy (Almaguin) brought up these challenges at past meeting.</li> </ul>



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### Board Reports

#### **Pat, OMHA Representative/Convenor**

- 49 officials, 8 new officials-entry level. Thank you Parry Sound for hosting Entry Level Clinic. New supervisor in Huntsville for supervising area officials. Pat will forward checking and non-checking discussion outcomes to officials.

#### **Clint, Past President**

Dan reports Clint is helping reschedule U11 division.

#### **Debbie, Statistician**

- Goalie Substitution Form: To be used for goalie relief and sent to Pat. To send out to MPSLL and MPSLL website. [https://mpshl.ca/Public/Documents/MPSLL\\_GOALTENDER\\_SUBSTITUTION\\_form.pdf](https://mpshl.ca/Public/Documents/MPSLL_GOALTENDER_SUBSTITUTION_form.pdf)
- EGS Report: Congrats to teams with penalty free games. Suggest sponsors to donate to the team with most penalty-free games. Andy to donate McDonalds.
- EGS Support: If people are stuck there's a YouTube channel for team managers.  
Game Sheet Inc. YouTube Videos  
[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCvGs\\_eY2OQ8gOZ3NjsGtEyw/videos](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCvGs_eY2OQ8gOZ3NjsGtEyw/videos)
- Gamesheet Inc. IT department: Contact is through iPad in Settings. Goes to IT person on call.
- The best way to get iPad EGS Help: Use help button which goes directly to their IT department and the first available person will respond.
- Go to the settings at the top of the iPad and look for the contact support option. Fill in the contact support stating the issue and give details (team names, date time of game) and the IT department will get on it.
- Games not uploaded: Fines for games not uploaded within 24 hours? October/ November Games from PS & SM not uploaded yet. Debbie to reach out.
- Suspension Notifications: Teams must immediately notify League of suspension. Send to Dan, Pat, Debbie. One email that goes to all?
- Game Sheet Error Messages: Gamesheet Inc.: If there is an error message once game is over, it must be the Referee who makes correction/change. Cannot upload game with errors and the EGS needs to go back to Referee.
- Andy: Once the referee signs off on EGS and closes off, even the Referee cannot make change. Andy has access to all game sheets and can make adjustments. He receives changes from officials. If game sheet has not been saved or closed off yet, the officials can still make adjustments. There are lots of changes being required due to scorekeeper/timekeeper error, as well as, officials rushed to sign off. We are all volunteers.
- Unlocked game: Gamesheet Inc. flagged game as "Game was Unlocked" this weekend. Should not be able to open/edit a game sheet after it is closed/locked. Game Ejections listed incorrectly, should be listed as separate penalty.
- What is Game Ejection? 1 Body Check or 2 Head Contact Minors or 3 Minor Penalties are all Game Ejection for MPSLL and have their own EGS codes. Debbie will email Andy codes. Codes available on the Electronic Game Sheet. You can find them under the following Codes and Labels  
3Min-GE-LL(a) - 3 Minor Penalties to Same Player - Game Ejection (GE)  
HC-GE-LL(b) - Double Minor Head Contact - Game Ejection (GE)  
BC-GE-LL(c) - Minor for Body Checking - Game Ejection (GE)



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#### Player Accountability Update:

U18 has 5 players with more than 15 penalty minutes. (1 SM, 4 HV with 22/26 mins.)

The U15/18 threshold is 40 minutes for the first meeting.

U15 has 1 player from Almaguin with over 15 min.

U11/U13 has no players over 10 minutes, highest in U13 is 8 min, U11 6 min.

Teams don't need to report the penalty minutes each month to Debbie, but suggest to your Team Managers to let you know about penalty minutes, that meetings are happening, and your involvement if penalty minutes meet threshold.

See Player Accountability link

[https://mpshl.ca/Pages/1335/Local\\_League/](https://mpshl.ca/Pages/1335/Local_League/)

Rosters: Must send in your rosters to MPSLL, it's in our Constitution. Delay due to roster changes and OMHA roster deadline was extended because of coaching issues.

EGSs have players and APs added, or incorrectly list all players as AP. There's a team that has 18 skaters & 1 goalie on EGS, but the regulation is 17 players, a goalie and a spare goalie. Andy pointed out that you can have more than that on your team roster (i.e. 25 on U18LL) but under standard game rules you should only have a maximum 17 skaters. You don't have to designate goaltenders on LL rosters. Referees need to count players. If we have a team that needs additional players, talk to Andy. Associations are still adding players. Associations have been accepting players from Muskoka Rock's folded rep team. Andy: You can still make changes to rosters up until January 10, 2023.

Aaron: Send your rosters in asap. Some rosters have been flagged for address issues due to system change from HCR2 to HCR3, which now requests updated addresses.

New MPSLL roster deadline: **November 26**. Send Rosters to Pat. Debbie will send Pat game sheets to compare.

#### MPSLL Penalty Minutes:

Andy asked: Does MPSLL count Game Misconduct 10 minutes in the total penalty minutes towards penalty threshold, when you have a meeting with these players? (i.e. Player with a 10 minute penalty for exceeded the number of head checks or body checks.)

Historically, we leave the 10 minute penalties out. We don't count the isolated 10 minutes misconducts, but recommend to have conversation with the player early to flag a problem and slow down repeat offenders. Coach's penalty minutes for a team are counted. Pat noted that when we first brought this in, there was quite a discussion.

Need to change Player Accountability Form which still states that all penalties are counted, (minor 2, major 5, gross misconduct 10 minutes) & let Pat know if we are changing the rule.

Decided to review Player Accountability threshold in upcoming Constitution review.

#### Jeff, Scheduling Coordinator

Dan reports everyone seems happy with scheduling. Debbie has been working on game sheet side.

Alexandra pointed out that U18 LL has only 4 teams 2 HV, 1 PS, 1 SM. We could have had another team made up of wait list instead of turning away kids.

Dan: Current teams can have additional exhibition games. Consider going outside of area next season or another circuit, but it's harder to get kids to travel at this age to places outside MPS. There are also second entry rep teams in U18 where some of those players went.



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<p><b>Board Reports</b></p>	<p><b>Aaron, to discuss New Business: Curfew</b>          Our period lengths are 10 15 15 for U18/U15 and 10 10 15 for U11/U13. Centres need to make sure to allot enough time for longer games in older divisions. One U15 game in HV was only given 50 minutes for a 10 15 15 game and ran the clock for the last 1-2 minutes. Curfew was not put on game sheet. Referees were told to run clock.          Dan: Discussion has to happen with HV. All associations in U15/U18 have agreed on period lengths and HV is curfewing at 50 min. Hard to fit a U15/U18 game in 50 minutes. Most centres are allocating 1.5 hour (1hr 20 minutes with a flood). We've asked that HV have a complete hour and a flood, that's just an additional 10 minutes. Dan to take up curfew/ice time allotment with MPS/HV president.          Andy: HV historically didn't have ice flexibility. HV arena floods on the hour on one ice and on the 1/2 hour on other ice. HV given 1 hour blocks.          Aaron: That's out-dated. A 3-hour block is required to do 2 games in U15/U18. Can split up in 1 1/2 hour and buy whatever you have to, but it's not fair when you are traveling at these older age groups and teams are getting frustrated. Can flood between periods with 1 1/2 hour ice and floods are required on smaller ice after 2 periods. At Scheduling Meeting need to schedule 1.5 hour + 1.5 hour = 3 hours.          Alexandra: U15/U18 has more penalty delays and need more time. HV has had U18 games delayed. A U11 game delay caused the next game in U13 to be changed to 10 10 10. A referee's note is required on game sheet when curfew.          Andy: Only need to contact Andy if a Playdown game is changed/curfewed. Should we report curfew in regular games?</p> <p><b>Alexandra, Communications\Social Media</b>          - to update website with Constitution.</p>
<p><b>Outstanding Items</b></p>	<p><b>1 ) Finance - Review of Finance any outstanding fees from Hockey Clubs, for the Wrap Up and team fees.</b>          - Parry Sound has cheque to mail.          - Lost cheque from South Muskoka for team/playoff dues, to request replacement.</p> <p><b>2 ) U8 Division - U8 contact list from your association &amp; Wrap Up Jamboree.</b>          - To send out notification reminding everyone to send in U8 contact list.          - Not everyone submitted U9 lists. Need all contacts for U9 game for scheduling.</p> <p><b>3 ) MPSLL U9 Division - Scheduling of 9 game season beginning January 15/2023 &amp; playoffs March 3rd to 5th.</b>          - Aim to have U9 Schedule by second week of December in preparation of full-ice games starting January 15.          - Send in your U9 teams by November 30 (how many teams, sponsor names, and jersey colours). Match-ups will be sent out by December 11. Each centre's Ice Scheduler to schedule games. Note that the full schedule has games every weekend and 2 weekends will have 2 games.          - U9 EGS: Debbie can set up EGS once team names received for U9 teams. U9 will be using EGS with launch of full ice.</p> <p><b>4 ) MPSLL Divisions U11 to U18 - Review of Scheduling meeting, 18 regular season game ending Feb 28/2023 &amp; playoffs March 3<sup>rd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> / 2023.</b>          - discussed.</p> <p><b>5 ) MPSLL Playoffs March 3-5.</b>          - Playoff date is first weekend in March.</p>



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### Outstanding Items

#### 6 ) Electronic Game Sheets

- discussed.

#### 7 ) Game Ejection questions. Body Checking rule. To discuss further.

- Dan: Rebel Kennedy (Almaguin) brought up Game Ejections at past meeting. Concern about kids getting ejections and how ejections work specifically around body contact.

Discussion:

- Aaron: Problem is the fine line between body contact and body check. Need a body check penalty because there is no body contact penalty. A kid gets tossed from game, when there's other stuff that happens that's worse. There are other penalties such as charging, with more intent with 2 strikes and you are out, that are more suited to game ejection than a body check because there is no body contact call.
- Issue is when Referees associate the body contact with the body check. Suggested to meet with all Referees.
- Sometimes a kid gets tossed from a game for something that is not malicious and then another player cross-checks-from-behind and it's more like a charging call and they don't get a game ejection.
- Dan: A kid stumbles into someone and gets thrown out. They should get penalty since something happened, but should they get ejected? Rebel/Pat/Don have discussed this. We don't want to throw kids out that didn't have full intent. What are our options as a board to distinguish for the Referee group what they might call? It's up to the Referee to decide if there's intent in that hit. Referees call it interference or boarding so they don't have to throw a kid out.
- Pat: If concern is players being tossed, perhaps leave the ejection for head contact, leave 2 penalties, and suggest to leave body checking for use at u15/ U18 level only? Remove body check from lower levels where it is most likely accidental.
- Aaron: Lots of Referees don't know the difference between body contact and body checking.
- Pat: Responsibility of HCOP, Referee-in-Chiefs and Area Supervisors to educate officials.
- Dan: Rebel & Don want some direction from us, if we can suggest a penalty rule to standardize and to call it and they all can call the same thing, in the same way. We all have a Referee-in-Chief and we can have a meeting to put it in context and Referees decide if there is intent or not intent.
- Pat: Pat will talk to Dave Wedlake about it. OMHA HCOP Membership Committee can come up with a definition of the difference between body check and body contact to give to RIC to leave with Officials. The definition has to come from Officials, from Supervisors and Head of OMHA HCOP Membership Committee Program. Has been used in Orillia. Pat will talk to Dave and will get back to Dan.
- Dan: We appreciate Rebel bringing this up. We have some new skaters and some who have not played in 2 years. The rule would cover all age divisions.



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### New Business

#### 1 ) All associations to send in contact info for teams.

- Contact information for teams due.

#### 2 ) All associations to send in jersey colours (i.e. dark jersey-home, light jersey-away)

- Need everyone to send in jersey colours from every team so 2 teams don't show up with same colour. Standard is dark home, white away. Also send in jersey colour even if you only have one set.

#### 3 ) All associations to post List of Rules at arena, at ref room.

##### Special rules. - Local League rules should be the same in all centres

- We want every association to post set of MPSLL Rules in Referee room & Timekeeper's box, and given to your Referee-in-Chief. Some RICs indicated that they haven't been given rules.
- Attach MPSLL Rules & post on MPSLL website.

#### 4 ) Review of use of Overage ( 18 Year old )

- 3 players per team, per division

##### Submitted over-agers playing down to MPSLL board for approval.

##### All associations to submit overagers - what kind of player are they? Can be denied.

##### Discussion about u18LL - move them down and Overagers playing down i.e. in u15.

- Andy asked: Is rule for overage players 3 per team or 3 per association? Dan: It's 3 per team. If you have more teams we want the overage players spread out.
- Andy: There's an 18 year old Rep player entering back into LL. Debbie: Overage players should be mostly LL/AE players. Dan: We don't want to turn anyone away and we don't want anyone hurt. If they have history of suspension/penalties we consider if this is appropriate place for them.
- All associations to submit your Over-agers playing down at all age groups to MPSLL board for approval. You may have some that have moved down, for example, a U15 moving down to U13. Some first time skaters were moved down. Most common is older, U18 playing an extra year. Give us an idea of what kind of player, if problematic. We don't want kids turned away but also don't want "piled up" teams (need to break up over-agers across teams).
- Pat: Player Movement is in Constitution (Bylaws & Regulations) and hasn't been updated. Player movement is maximum 3 players per team. Need to review and document changes. This wording is out of date.
- Note that Constitution is now called Bylaws & Regulations.
- Krysta: Highland Storm has sent in over-agers.

#### 5 ) Review of Rosters: MPSLL request final rosters due October 30

- New deadline: Rosters due **November 26**.

#### 6 ) Constitution Review in Google Docs: Need to review constitution i.e. penalty minutes, fines, # of kids that can move up.

##### Add suggestions from your association in comments, print out all suggestions.

##### Each centre can be a colour; only one representative to make changes.

- Debbie: Was there an earlier version of Constitution after 2017? There may have been an updated version after this one documented in minutes.
- Dan: Bring Constitution document up to date, add historical changes and make new changes to this document now.
- Pat has sent in her notes to be added to Google document.



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	<p>- Dan: Next meeting should focus on Constitution review and other policy documents such as Player Accountability/accumulated minutes. Rename as Bylaws and Regulations. Everyone to go through the Google document and make notes.</p>
<p><b>Round Table Discussion</b></p>	<p>AMHA – Season is off to good start, re-scheduling of U11team, iPads successful.</p> <p>Huntsville – Thank you to Debbie for EGS and answering questions. Our U7-U9 Director has done a great job scheduling exhibition games.</p> <p>HS – Krysta good with EGS. Scheduler got through scheduling issues.</p> <p>PS – We need to see penalty minutes. All clubs will need one person who knows EGS, as an association’s iPad contact. EGS having upload issues. Coaches have had to hotspot to their phone. Aaron recommends turning wifi off and turning back on and then EGS uploads.</p> <p>SM – n/a Dan: Does everyone have all their games scheduled? Is anyone challenged for ice time? South Muskoka has been challenged with having ice times from the start due to tournaments.</p> <p>MR – n/a We need to connect with U9 Jenna Martin to send in their u9 info, sponsor names, # of teams.</p>
<p><b>Adjournment:</b></p>	<p>Krysta, Debbie</p>

**Next meeting Date & Time:** Thursday, December 15, 2022

**Location:** Huntsville