



London Senior Hockey, Western Fair Sports Centre, 865 Florence St. London ON N5S 3V9

2022-2023 Pre-Season General Meeting Minutes

September 14 2022, 10:00 AM @ BMO Center

1. Call to Order
 - Brian Laporte called the meeting to order at 10:02.
2. In Memoriam
 - John Hayton presented the current and former members of our league who have passed away recently.
3. Secretary's Report
 - Gerry LaRocque presented the minutes from the April 19, 2022 AGM
 - John Mollica moved to approve these minutes; seconded by Larry Neilson
4. - Item Arising from Minutes – Mosaic Medical
 - Brian Laporte reported that he had followed up with a request made at the AGM to look into the League providing a first responder to be present at every game.
 - The Executive agreed that Mosaic Medical be contracted to provide this service.
 - The cost for this service to the League will be \$22 680 for the year for one first responder to be present all day during each game day. This works out to cost each player \$63 for the year, or 75 cents / player / game.
 - Mosaic Medical will also provide AED training for all members interested, at no additional cost.
5. Financial Statements June 30, 2022 / Marcus & Associates
 - Mike Opdecam from Marcus & Associates presented the financial statement for the 2021-2022 year, ending June 30, 2022.
 - He reported that the League's financial records present a fair and accurate picture of its financial position.
 - A Motion from floor was made by Stu Finlayson, seconded by Al Fowler, to appoint Marcus and Associates as accountants to perform a review of the financial statements for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023.
6. Treasurer's Report
 - Stu Finlayson presented the budget and targets for the current 2022-23 year.
 - Due to the cancellation of a significant number of games last year and the resulting reimbursement to us of money for unused ice time by Western Fair District, our surplus was

higher than expected; as a result we are carrying forward an amount higher than what we would like.

- The contracting of Mosaic Medical will draw down on our surplus to an acceptable level.
- Fees this year will be \$500 / player / year. This works out to \$5.95 / player / game, just below the \$6 / game targeted at our AGM.

7. Rules and Referee Report

- Al Fowler presented the changes to the playing rules: we are returning to 5 on 5 hockey and all rules will revert to pre-pandemic norms.
- The exception to this was a new rule regarding offsides calls. Previously these resulted in a face-off; the new rule will give the defending team the puck in its own end while the offending team must all clear the red line before the referee will blow in to continue play.
- Contact with goalies will result in a penalty. There was some discussion about continuing the 'ringette' line as an expanded crease, but it was decided that we would return to the pre-pandemic blue ice crease.
- If a penalty is called, the face-off will be in the offender's end in the circle further from the penalty box. When the puck is dropped, the referee by the penalty box and team benches will announce when the penalty starts/ends.
- Each game will have two referees officiating.

8. President's Report (B Laporte)

- The 2022-23 season will see the League playing an 84-game schedule.
- All new players and current players who have not played the past two years must show proof of vaccination against the COVID-19 virus. Fully vaccinated individuals will have a minimum of two shots; boosters are strongly recommended. They will also need to each complete Informed Consent Forms.
- Current players who have already shown proof of vaccination and have completed the Informed Consent Form in the past year do not have to do this again for this season.
- An AED refresher course will be provided to all who wish to receive this. Stay tuned for date.
- The Christmas Luncheon will be held at the Ukrainian Center. There is no additional charge for this as it is included in this year's budget.
- Wilson Mor is managing the wait list, which is currently at 151 people.
- Mark Lowe was introduced as our new webmaster. He reported that the website is up and running and schedules, rosters, forms, and upcoming dates can be found here.

9. New Business / Open Floor for Q & A

- Equipment lockers will be made available for rental, first to those who had these pre-pandemic.
- Dressing rooms will be able to be locked now and showers will be made available, though there were some reports of the shower water being too hot.
- A question from the floor regarding the wearing of non-approved jerseys led to discussion about the delay in obtaining League-approved jerseys ordered by members. It has been

reported that it takes a considerable amount of time for delivery of these jerseys, in some cases up to two months. Brian said he would discuss with Source for Sports about speeding up delivery of new jerseys.

10. The meeting was adjourned.