

# ADP Report

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We have had 2 Conference calls since I have been ADP Rep, August 8<sup>th</sup> and September 12<sup>th</sup>.

August 8<sup>th</sup> discussions were as follows:

OAIC for 2017 – John Uildersma from Southern Region said that he had been talking to Rob, Hamilton. We are waiting on a decision by Hamilton to move forward, they are worried about costs.

A change to 18+A Division Provincial Location has been announced. For the 2017 season the 18+A McCarthy and 18+ Lajeunesse Divisions will be hosted at the AA Provincial Championships. These will be held in Nepean from March 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>. Pickering could not secure the required ice to host the event, as well as lacked volunteers, officials and athletes.

Player Agreement Forms: the date has been adjusted to November 15<sup>th</sup>. These forms are also known as Two-Team Player Agreements. This form must be completed with all signatures and returned to the Membership Services Coordinator for final approval by November 15<sup>th</sup> each season. The player may not participate with the second team until this agreement has been signed and approved by the coordinators. Once approved, an ORA Information Change Form (ICF) must be submitted immediately to the ORA office to complete the player's registration on the second team.

Come Try Ringette – Funding has been approved, the goal is to get a pilot trial going in each of our 5 Regions. It will be approximately a budget of \$500. It is hopeful that it will be enough to cover 1 ice time in each Region. Nanci Laroche is in the process of establishing the process of applications. The document is on the Adult website for review.

I brought up an issue that I had last Season that is not understood or layed out well. It is the issue of under aged players being accepted into the 18+ Open Divisions. I was surprised to hear that each of the other Regions were experiencing a lot of difficulties with this issue. I learned that this issue was addressed at the April Standing Committee meeting. The approval process has been clarified and is as follows:

3.3.2 All exceptions to 18+ playing out of age category (players over the age of 18 requesting to play in the U19 division or players under the age of 18 requesting to play in the 18+ division) must receive approval from the regional ADP Coordinator and regional Membership Services Coordinator of both the sending the receiving regions.

Please take note as in the past there have been players that are still interested in playing the sport but have been turned away due to confusion of rules. My understanding is that there is always a best effort to find a place for all players.

Coaching Requirement Changes – the changes for Open BB and below. Basically the change is that the qualified bench staff member may be a player (i.e. not required to have a non-playing bench staff member). It is a **recommendation** that at least one member of the team have first aid qualifications. The player bench staff is responsible for the team and will be subjected to all disciplinary actions, including ejection during the games. Noted: It is **strongly recommended** that teams have a non-playing member of the bench staff for sanctioned events.

**To be noted:** as of January 8<sup>th</sup> non-qualified Bench Staff shall not be allowed to participate in ORA Sanctioned Events. Should a member of your association Bench Staff violate this rule, it shall result in team disqualification and/or fines levied. There shall be no exceptions and/or appeals to this rule.

**Meaning:** After January 8<sup>th</sup> all acting non-qualified bench staff are not allowed to participate in ORA Sanctioned Events. **\*must have qualified acting coach after Jan 8<sup>th</sup>**

## September 12 ADP Conference Call

Strategies were shared for Adult Recruitment and expansion. I have an interested community to utilize the Come Try Ringette program and it was

agreed that I should pursue this opportunity. Regions are struggling with retention.

There has been a change made to 2-Team Contracts at the BB-CC levels.