



# WESTERN REGION

## MINUTES GENERAL MEETING

at Spruce Lodge, St Mary's ON  
Thursday, 14 January 2016

Regrets: M Suchard, D Pelletier, J Mezenberg, K Kaiser, R Gratton

Session Item	Notes: (e.g. Information, Discussion, Action, Reflection, Learning)	Responsibility
Welcome everyone! P Singeris (acting chair)		
<b>BUSINESS:</b>		
Roll Call	Regrets: Chatham, Elora-Fergus, Wellington North, Woolwich	W Allen
Minutes from the November 2015 meeting	Motion to approve the minutes as printed. St Mary's/Goderich. Carried	W Allen
Treasurer's Report	See report. Motion to accept Treasurer's report. Guelph/Owen Sound. Carried.	J Saint
Co-ordinator Reports	<p>Officiating - No report</p> <p>Coaching - No report</p> <p>G &amp; T – no report</p> <p>Regionals 2016 will be held on Easter weekend, in London with estimated costs ranging \$650-675. We will be offering an Adult division with estimated costs ranging \$700-750. Unfortunately no applications were received for the 2016 OAIC Event. Ensure all Associations have handed in their cheque with a list of each team entered.</p> <p>Draft schedule - review for errors or emissions - final schedule to follow. Confirmed pricing U08 - \$275, U09 to U19 - \$625, 18+ - \$650</p>	

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<p>Co-ordinator Reports Continued....</p>	<p>WRRL Meeting on March 8<sup>th</sup>, all bench staff is required to attend this meeting, Spruce Lodge. See B Wooley. Minor Officials - Shot clock \$10/timekeepers and scorekeepers/5 or \$10, give your commitment, stating whether you are alone or with a partner, and Officiating as well. Volunteers will be needed to assist. Coming soon. High school students can volunteer for these positions and we would be happy to sign.</p> <p>Provincials – wild card dates are on the calendars. Substitutions – get your requests in early! Suspensions – I want to hear from you first! Game sheets – they must be completed in full! Major Penalties – complete the google form</p> <p>Membership No report. January deadline has passed, so no more changes to your teams can be made.</p> <p>Webmaster - No report</p> <p>Elite - No report The last Challenge Cup will be held in Kingston at the end of January. London is hosting the Nationals Championships, April 2-9, 2016 at the Western Fair and Nichols Arenas.</p> <p>Sport Development No report. Skills Matrix deadline is February 15<sup>th</sup>. Come Try Ringette – 6 hour session. It was suggested, that a 3 hour session would be more realistic. Committee working on this. Give your suggestions to the Chair for the next Board meeting. Remember your votes are important. A reminder for the ORA AGM to use your proxy vote if you cannot attend to have your voice heard. We will have proxy forms available for Association to sign and give to the Chair at our AGM in April.</p> <p>Adult Development - No report. Position Vacant</p> <p>1<sup>st</sup> Vice President See report. Reminders – AA Provincials, March 10-13th, Waterloo. A Provincials, March 17-20, Timmins, U12 Petite Provincial Event, April 7-10, Ottawa. CRC, April 3-9, London. The league is preparing for the 2016-2017 season.</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President – no report</p>	<p>D Pelletier J Mezenberg N Nicolson-Houghtling M Suchard K Kaiser P Richardson P Singeris B Wooley</p>

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New Business	<p>Volunteer Recognitions Awards submissions deadline is April 1<sup>st</sup> deadline. Go back to your associations to take a good look at your volunteers, bench staff, sponsors, and players. Nominate! ORA and Western Region awards. Scholarships are also available. Elite and over all athlete. Check the ORA website.</p> <p>Reminder to coaches - the substitute player(s) must go through the Coach, and N Nicolson-Houghtling must be notified prior to in order to make it happen. Timing is everything; calling at 3:00PM in the afternoon to cancel a game is leaving it too late. You will be burning an hour of ice/officiator. 24 hours notice must be given. Remember 7 players are enough to play a game, (either 7 skaters or 1 goalie and 6 players). B Wooley will send out a letter to address issue.</p> <p>Once the schedule is set, if you would like to play 2 games in one day to reduce travel expenses, speak with the scheduler from the association.</p> <p>TRF forms – coach quitting team – take them off or leave them on for later.</p> <p>Criminal Reference Checks – Associations are responsible for the collection. If there is a problem in collecting – Contact J Mezenberg immediately.</p> <p>2017 Provincials next year – only 2 applications 2017 U12 – no applications 2018 Provincial Championships, U12, AA, &amp; A, March 2018 A suggestion...have smaller Associations join together to put an application forward. This would help keep the Provincials closer to home. e.g. Kitchener/Waterloo/Guelph</p>	
Adjournment	<p>Adjourned</p> <p>Motion to adjourn. Forest/Dorchester. Carried.</p>	
	<p>Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 25<sup>th</sup>, Spruce Lodge, 7:30PM</p>	

Secretary - Wendy

Friday, February 12, 2016