

## WESTERN REGION GENERAL MEETING

Sept 17, 2020 - 7-9pm

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## Agenda

1) Welcome – Chris Sharpe

2) Roll Call – Mark DeLaFranier

Attendees: Chris, Phil, Jason, Mark, Barb, Craig, Nancy

Associations: Dorchester, Elora-Fergus, Forest, Goderich, Guelph, Hanover, Kitchener,

London, Mitchell, Owen Sound, St. Marys, St. Thomas, Tillsonburg,

Waterloo

- Motion to approve the minutes from previous meeting Mark DeLaFranier Dorchester/Goderich, Carried
- 4) Reports
  - a) Officiating Coordinator Denise Pelletier
    - i) No report submitted
  - b) Treasurer Barbara Green
    - i) Reminder that association fees are waived for the 2020-21 season.
    - ii) Marketing grant available this season. Reach out to Chris if you have any questions.
    - iii) All coaching clinics will be run by RO this year, no budgetary impact on region.
    - iv) Regionals is budgeted for, but we are not certain if the event will happen.
  - c) Coaching Coordinator Craig Hennessy / John Mezenberg
    - i) No additional information
  - d) G&T Coordinator Nancy Nicolson-Houghtling & Jordan Kovats
    - i) Currently, no changes to tournament plans for Sept Dec
    - ii) Will continue to monitor situation and re-evaluate plans post December
    - iii) Provincials are still on paper, but no commitments
    - iv) 2021-22 AA Championships and Regionals hosts applications needed
  - e) Membership Services Coordinator Elly Simpson

- i) No report submitted
- f) Webmaster Keith Kaiser
  - i) No report submitted
  - ii) RAMP Conversion project initiated for WRRA
  - iii) Keith will focus on content conversion
  - iv) Mark to focus on the scheduling and how a common scheduling system could be implemented for WRRL
- g) Elite Coordinator Position Vacant
  - i) No report submitted
- h) Sport Development Position Vacant
  - i) No report submitted
- i) Adult Development Stephanie Smith
  - Lots of changes for adult this season due to implications of COVID, not just for WRRA, but across Ontario
  - ii) Adult is looking to build bubbles to allow play
- j) 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President / WORL Phil Singeris
  - i) In holding pattern until Stage 4
  - ii) Evaluation ideas to expediate the team formation process in preparation for Stage 4
  - iii) Working with health units to determine what restrictions will be in place and how we would navigate them.
- k) 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President / WRRL Jason Vermeiren
  - i) In same holding pattern as WORL and discussing options for path forward
- I) Chair Chris Sharpe
  - i) Continue working close with RO on season planning and execution
  - ii) Basecamp with Presidents is working extremely well, encourage all presidents to ensure they are members and participate.
  - iii) Review Top 10 Priority List
- 5) Association updates on RTR Brief Association verbal status report
  - Most associations working through requirements to enter Stage 2 or 3
  - Neighbouring associations collaborating to help each other

- General positive trend in registration numbers, some associations close to previous number and others are down.
- Some associations facing challenges with number of volunteers or ice helpers resulting in challenges at the lower age groups.
- Several associations have plans and approvals to return to ice mid September.
- Several associations introducing creative ice plans for skills and practice routines in the absence of approval for games and scrimmages.

## 6) New Business

- a) Coordinator Votes Chris
  - i) Coaching Coordinator Craig Hennessy Hanover/Waterloo, Carried
- b) Coordinator Position Open Chris
  - i) Elite Coordinator Looking for Volunteer Email chairwrra@wrra.ca
  - ii) Sport Development Looking for Volunteer Email chairwrra@wrra.ca
- c) Region Covid Safety Leader Volunteer Need CSL for 2020/21 season. Looking for Volunteer Email <a href="mailto:chairwrra@wrra.ca">chairwrra@wrra.ca</a>
- d) 2020-21 Season Update and Discussion Chris
- 7) Priority List Review Chris

Chris reviewed the prior season priorities and members discussed options for moving forward. Chris will reach out to possible leaders to drive topics.

8) Adjourn – SWIRL/Forest, Passed.