

District 5/UOVMHL Meeting Minutes

Date: March 25, 2024 Time: 6:30 pm (Google Meet)



1. Call to Order – *Brydon called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm*
2. Attendance – *Brydon, Derrick, Kyle, Steve B, Kevin, Stephanie, Jason, Angie, Dustin, Amy.*
3. Approval of minutes from previous meeting - *There are no minutes available from January yet, and there was not quorum in February for a full meeting. Info update from Brydon only.*
 - a. District – *No quorum for a D5 Meeting again this month.*
 - b. League – *Meeting called to order at 6:32 pm for League only.*
4. Business Arising from Previous Meetings
 - a. District
 - b. League

Update on the Tier 3 Pilot

Brydon shared that a meeting was held a couple of weeks ago with the Ottawa B-League to clarify some things. Brydon updated them that the Aces are now interested in running the pilot, and the Ottawa B League liked that idea. That is now decided. Darren asked how coach selection would work, no one knows the roles on the committee, or who will lead? Derrick said that info is coming, and coach selection would be right after the Aces complete their selection. Brydon noted that they have a copy of the MTK (Mississippi Thunder Kings) Constitution, and the committee is working on creating a D5 version from that with roles defined so that Associations can have a voice. We will receive the next draft when ready.

Program level – This pilot will now be a Rep B Pilot. Officially making it “A” will take more time. Districts 1 and 2 were not ready to get the Rep A level approved in time to proceed with a Constitution, so the Pilot will now be Rep B until all Districts within HEO can be on board. Amy noted that this is a major to change to what we have been sharing with our own executives. Could we have something in writing to explain the Pilot? Jason and Stephanie added that this is essential now as there are so many questions and misinformation floating around. Brydon responded that we do have the answers, but they are not all public yet. Derrick volunteered to write something for after Easter weekend, next weekend.

East vs West – Brydon and Derrick noted that teams will not be even if they are selected by East vs West. Darren noted that there would be Petawawa families declining tryouts then, because of now increased practice travel, and others agreed. Could tryouts not be location-based, and then a small amount of player

movement if absolutely necessary? Brydon said that we will have to see where the talent and interest is.

5. Correspondence - *none*
6. Delegations - *none*
7. District Executive Reports: *(No Quorum)*
 - a. District Chair
 - b. Vice Chair -
 - c. Secretary -
 - d. Treasurer –
 - e. District Registrar Report -
 - f. Risk and Safety -
 - g. R.I.C. Report -
 - h. Development (Vacant)
8. League Executive Reports
 - a. President
 - i. *End of season discussion – Angie shared that U9 has asked to be done the season by March break next year. Amy received the same feedback for both U7 and U9, and some parents at all levels, but most of the older kids were very happy to continue playing until the end of March. Derrick shared that HEO is pushing for no U9 full ice at all – keep it half ice all season. Will see what comes of that before next season. Darren asked Dustin if the Aces had considered offering a Tier 2 for U9. It has been discussed but the feeling was there would only be enough for maybe one team, definitely not two, so they would be wasting half the ice. The cost would then be the same as U10 for half the ice.*
 - ii. *Affiliations – Some Presidents had brought this back to Derrick to discuss a solution for next season. Some Associations have a policy to limit when affiliates can play, while others use them to stack teams for important games. Kyle noted that Renfrew parents would be upset if they held kids back who could be playing regular games a level up. Amy noted that coaches, players and parents are upset with the imbalance that appeared in the playoffs with some matchups not looking like the same teams at all. 5 of our Associations currently have a fair play policy that limits affiliates to when others are absent or injured. DECISION – Steve will draft a motion for the AGM that we adopt a D5 Player Affiliation policy.*
 - b. VP Rep
 - c. VP House
 - d. Secretary
 - e. Treasurer – *Report presented. Moved to accept by Steve. Seconded by Amy and Kevin. Report approved.*

9. New Business – *The April meeting will be to present proposed Constitution Changes. Our AGM for D5 and League will be held Wednesday May 29th. Derrick to book somewhere central.*

Amy asked who at HEO to ask for assistance obtaining a Certificate of Insurance. Darren noted that his all came back with an end date of March 1st, so we need to get that corrected. Dustin shared that there is an electronic submission now and Hailey at HEO would send the link when requested, and then the certificate when approved.

10. Association Reports – *Only AGM dates were requested:*

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| a. Aces – April 17 | g. Pembroke – No date yet |
| b. Arnprior – April 22 | h. Petawawa – May 2 |
| c. Barry's Bay – No date yet | i. Renfrew – No date yet, |
| d. Deep River – No date yet | but will be a big turnover |
| e. Eganville – May 17 | this year. |
| f. Muskrat – early May TBC | |

11. Date for next meeting- *Monday April 15 at 7 pm on Google Meet.*

12. Meeting Adjournment – *Moved by Kyle, seconded by Darren – adjourned at 7:27 pm.*