

WORL A/AA League

2009 - 2010

Meeting #4: February 23, 2010

Minutes:

Regrets: Scott Nosal (Vice-President), Tanya Pettitt-Tracey (Referee in Chief), Kitchener, Chatham, Godrich, Hanover, Owen Sound, St. Thomas, U of Western Ontario

Roll Call – Associations signing attendance sheet.

Dorchester, Elora Fergus, Exeter, Forest, Guelph, London, Mitchell, St. Clements, St. Mary's, Stratford, Tillsonburg, Waterloo, Kieth Kaiser (Western Region), Mary Kaiser (Western Region), Peter Westelaken(Past President), David Kelton (President), Cathy Daultrey (Secretary), Nancy Nicolson-Houghtling (G & T), Lori Adams (Treasurer)

Motion to accept the agenda. Elora/Guelph – All in favour - passed

Motion to accept minutes from January 26. Lori Adams/Stratford – All in favour - passed

Treasurer's Report - Lori Adams

Account Balance **\$8,797.91** of which **\$4700** is bond money
Request from U of Western Ontario Open A team to reduce fees since they played only a partial schedule
Association fees – Outstanding Fees Are OVERDUE – Fines to be levied
Chatham, London Ladies, Tillsonburg and Western still owe fees for this season - \$1100.00
Hanover has not cashed their returned bond cheque

Motion - That U of Western Ontario Open A pays \$75.00 in dues for this year on a one time basis. This decision is not binding for future seasons. Lori Adams/St Clements – All in favour – passed

Motion: That WORL uses the bond money of the associations that are in default of their annual dues and apply it to that debt, thus putting those associations in bad standing and having to bring their bonds up to date before their teams can continue to participate in WORL. Waterloo/Stratford – All in favour - passed

Convenor's Reports:

U12 (Petite)	<i>Brenda Van Bree</i>	No report
U14 (Tween)	CHATHAM	No report
U16 A (Junior)	<i>Gary Ryan</i>	No report
U16 AA (Junior) & U19 A (Belle)	<i>David Duncan</i>	
	<i>Follow up with outstanding games involving Elora Fergus Belle A.</i>	
U19AA & Open A	<i>Paul Smith</i>	
	<i>Outstanding games total - 4 games</i>	

Playoff format and scheduling for conclusion of 2009/10 season was discussed. For each division the best solution may be different. Decision to find out what teams in each

division want to do within their division for winding up the season and determining a champion. Would like a decision by the end of next week, and get to Dave with the format that they choose.

For following years – we should try and make this decision earlier in the season.

Provincial Petite – Terry Williams – Elora Fergus
Tween A – Brian Breckles
Tween AA – Paula Richardson
Junior A – Chuck Weber
Junior AA – Peter Westelaken
Belle A – Mike Guiler
Belle AA – Dave Kelton
Open A – Dave Kelton

Referee In Chief Report - No report

G&T Report - *Nancy Houghtling*

Prelims – regional representation is to be determined by the region membership. Questions regarding format for achieving this goal. Formal discussion needed within the region. An Ad Hoc committee is formed to solicit input from all WORL member associations.

Ad hoc Committee: Cathy Daultrey – WORL Executive; Nancy Houghtling – Western G & T; Chuck Weber – representing the eastern part of the region; Brenda Van Bree – representing the western part of the region.

A Provincials - Western regions is well represented in the A provincials this year. Western Region has secured half of the wild card spots.

AA Provincials – Western Region well represented...good luck to our region teams.

Elite Report - *Mary Kaiser*

Shot clocks, if you are an association that has a region shot clock, it is your responsibility to have them into Guelph before regionals.

Membership Services Report - *Keith Kaiser*

Nothing to report

Webmasters Report - *Keith Kaiser*

Nothing to report

Team and Player Declaration Process for 2010/11 Season

Dates and timelines: the guiding document from last year will be updated to reflect the following timelines:

Player declaration – March

Willing to host – AA – late March and A – late April

Approval of hosts – AA – next WORL meeting (March 23, 2010) and A – late April

Tryouts and team selection – AA – April and A - May

Feedback to go back to Peter Westelaken if there are concerns about the minimum number of home association players needed to declare/host a team for the upcoming season.

Closest/Chosen

After clarification of the proposed closet/chosen motion that is going forward to the ORA AGM, some questions were asked:

1 - Can the chosen association refuse to sign the release of a player in the second (third) year, if a closer association, other than the home association offers that level of play?? Yes

Peter is looking for guidance from the WORL associations at large as to whether he should proceed with supporting this motion on behalf of the region. 10 in favour; 2 abstaining - passed

Report of Ad hoc committee updating rules and bylaws - *Westelaken, Houghtling, Daultrey*

Nothing to report

Regional and Provincial Volunteer Recognition Awards

Reminder to all member associations to have people nominated for regional and provincial awards by the April 1 deadline.

Next meeting

March 23, 2010

Motion to adjourn - St Marys/St Clements – All in favour - passed