

SWIRL Meeting Minutes
Sunday, September 21, 2014
2:00pm Edelweiss Tavern, Kitchener

1. Call to Order/Roll call – Laura Pfanner

The following teams were present:

Cambridge Coyotes, Centre Wellington C, Chatham, Dorchester, Guelph Cougars, Guelph Gold, Guelph White, Kitchener Bandits, Kitchener Nites, Kitchener Rebels, Kitchener Wildcats, London Storm, London Strike, Mitchell, North Dumfries Cougars, St Clements, St Marys, St Mary's Tournament team, St Thomas, Stratford Stingers, Tillsonburg, Waterloo C, Waterloo Fury, Waterloo Immortals, Woodstock Red, Woodstock White, Woolwich B+, Woolwich Beez

a. New teams:

- i. Stratford tournament team – **team accepted by consensus**

b. Departing teams:

- i. London B & C

2. Approval of January 2014 Meeting Minutes

Motion: To accept minutes as written – M/S – North Dumfries/Cambridge. Carried

3. SWIRL Executive Committee Elections for 2014-2015:

No new candidates came forward for the executive.

Chair – Laura Pfanner

Vice Chair- Cathy Daultrey

Treasurer – Lindsay Julian

Secretary – Marj Bauman

Discipline Chair – Jane Larkworthy

Scheduler – Brenda Brenner

Statistician & Web Site Manager – Vacant (currently covered by Vice Chair)

Registrar – Mike Julian

Motion: To accept the Executive Committee for 2014-2015 – M/S – Waterloo Immortals/Kitchener Nites. Carried.

4. 2013-2014 Exec Reports:

a. **Chair's Report – Laura Pfanner**

• **Changes from ORA**

- a) University teams must register with ORA.
b) There is a new form for Independent players to complete when registering with ORA.
c) Bench staff qualifications are changing. By 2019 coaches must be CI Trained. Community Sport Initiative will no longer qualify.

- **There is a recall on goalie throat and clavicle protectors from Reebok model numbers K101JR TCPRE and K101SR TCPRE.** More info on the Western Region website.

- ORA has a Resource Order form for ordering rings, etc. on their website- <http://www.ontario-ringette.com/administration/documents/Resource%20Order%20Form%20June%202014.pdf>

b. **Financial Report – Lindsay Julian**

2013/2014 beginning balance was \$6100. Current bank balance is \$5,022. League operating expenses for the year are estimated at \$200-300. They have decreased from the past due to savings from housing the website on the Western Region site thus creating a surplus. It has come to light that time/score keepers are

not covered by insurance unless registered with ORA with a \$5 fee. A response from ORA is pending, regarding if players registered with ORA are covered while in the timekeepers box. There is also an increasing shortage of goalies.

Motion: To give each of the 27 SWIRL participating teams \$100 this year to use all or part for Volunteer Insurance and/or Goalie Registration – M/S – Guelph Cougars/Cambridge Coyotes. Carried

Each year the SWIRL membership fee is set at the September meeting.

Motion: To set the annual membership fee at \$20 – M/S – St. Thomas/London Strike. Carried

Next year teams should come with ideas of what to do with any surplus funds.

c. **Registrar's Report** – Lindsay Julian for Mike Julian

Registration packages will be sent out via email hopefully within the next two weeks. Return deadline is October 31st to the SWIRL registrar and the ORA deadline is November 15th. **A Membership Registration Form must be filled out and signed by each individual to be registered. No forgeries!** If you have difficulty meeting the deadline with the Membership forms, contact the registrar. **Each team registered with SWIRL, including those teams not using SWIRL as their registering body (i.e., those registering through Minor associations), must provide a copy of their TRF to the SWIRL Registrar.**

d. **Webmaster's Report** – Cathy Daultrey – Nothing to report.

e. **Scheduler's Report** – Brenda Brenner

Teams not having brought their ice time sheets to the meeting are to forward them to Brenda ASAP. Ice time sheets should only include schedule information. Any issues such as difficulty playing a particular team, or conflicts, etc. must be discussed at the meetings with the executive.

One master schedule will be sent out to everyone to take their game schedule from. There should be 18 games in total – 9 home and 9 away.

f. **Statistician Report** – Cathy Daultrey

Game sheets must be mailed to Cathy Daultrey, 229 Parkside E., Fergus, ON N1M 3E7 for ALL games-league, exhibition and tournament. Please be sure that the game sheets have been completed fully and send at minimum once a month. Any game sheets that have disciplinary action must be mailed immediately. Please indicate on the envelope what team the game sheet is coming from.

g. **Disciplinary Report** – Jane Larkworthy

i. Review of penalties and suspensions – One misconduct second half last year which was handled properly.

ii. Carry-over suspensions – No carry over suspensions

iii. League Disciplinary Committee for 2014-2015 – Jane Larkworthy, Nina Kavalinas, Brenda Brenner, Cathy Daultrey

Motion: To accept the League Disciplinary Committee – M/S–Stratford Stingers/Waterloo Immortals. Carried

iv. Match and Misconduct Penalties-Reporting Process – Call Jane's cell (519-274-3278) immediately in case of suspensions.

5. **Operating Manual Changes** - Jane Larkworthy

The 2014-2015 Operating Manual will be posted to the SWIRL website ASAP.

6. League Format and Schedule:

a. Tiers for the 2014-2015 season accepted by consensus:

	Tier 1 (B+)	Tier 2 (B)	Tier 3 (B-)	Tier 4 (C)
1	Chatham	Cambridge Coyotes	Dorchester	Centre Wellington C
2	Guelph Cougars	Guelph White	London Storm	Kitchener Bandits
3	Guelph Gold	Mitchell	St. Thomas	Kitchener Nites
4	Kitchener Rebels	St. Marys	Stratford Stingers	St. Clements
5	Kitchener Wildcats	Waterloo Fury	Tilsonburg	Waterloo C
6	London Strike	Woolwich Beez	Woodstock Red	
7	North Dumfries Cougars		Woodstock White	
8	Woolwich Legends			
9	Waterloo Immortals			

- b. Woodstock White will remain in B- rather than move to C, but will be reassessed in January.
- c. Teams in agreement to play Chatham include: Guelph Cougars (double header), London Strike (twice), Woolwich Legends, Cambridge Coyotes, Kitchener Wildcats, North Dumfries Cougars and Guelph White.
- d. All teams with the exception of Centre Wellington C, St. Clements and Waterloo C have agreed to crossover games. London Storm and Woodstock white would prefer to cross over down only, with the remaining teams crossing over with both levels.

7. New Business

Substitutions: SWIRL teams may only substitute with SWIRL players. There is no level restrictions for substitution however if it becomes a problem with teams consistently substituting with higher level players, this may change. A team can register with SWIRL as one level; however choose to register with ORA for tournament purposes in another level.

Western Region Meeting: The SWIRL rep was presented with a plaque in recognition of 20 years as a member of Western Region. The Western Region ADP Coordinator position is still vacant and Western Region would like to see it filled with someone from SWIRL. SWIRL will not mandate this position to be filled by one of its members.

Team Name Changes:

- a. Guelph Blue has changed to Guelph Cougars
- b. North Dumfries (Ayr) has changed to North Dumfries Cougars

Number of Players on TRF:

There is a minimum of 7 players and a maximum of 22 players allowed on a TRF. A request can be submitted to ADP to allow players in addition to the 22. There is a maximum of 18 players allowed on the bench per game.

Looking for Players: Kitchener Bandits are looking for players. There was also a request for a goalie list to help find substitute goalies. **Goalies willing to be included on a substitute list should indicate in their registration package or let Cathy Daulty know. She will compile a goalie list and have it posted on the SWIRL website.**

8. Western Region Meetings: (Spruce Lodge, Stratford, 7:30 pm)

- November 20, 2014 – (provincials fees due) – **Guelph Gold**
- January 15, 2015 – (regionals \$200 deposit due) – **Cambridge Coyotes**
- February 26, 2015 – (General Meeting) – **North Dumfries Cougars**
- April 16th 2015 – AGM – **Kitchener Rebels**
- September XX 2015 – **Guelph Cougars**

9. Announcements

Tournaments: [Current listings](#) are on the ORA website

Coaching & Officiating Clinics: Refer to Western Region web site (www.wrra.ca).

10. Next SWIRL meeting: Tuesday January 13, 2015 at **7:30 p.m., Edelweiss Tavern, Kitchener**

11. Adjournment – Motion to adjourn – M/S – St. Clements/Woodstock. Carried
Meeting Adjourned 3:45.