



**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**March 7th, 2024**  
**DRAFT Meeting Minutes**  
**ZOOM Meeting**

In Attendance: Reg MacDonald (District Chair)  
Wally Montpetit (VP Competitive)  
Dom Giglietta (VP House League)  
Gilles Vanasse (Discipline)  
Jason Ward (Registrar)  
Chris Rheume (Risk and Safety)  
Ward Mallon (U7/U9 Coordinator)  
Kevin Graham (D9RA)  
Karen Ouellette (Ice Scheduler)  
Michel Breau (Gloucester Centre)  
Leo Cardinal (Leitrim)  
Julianne Oelke-Simonsen (Metcalf)  
Joce Murray (Orleans)  
Joey Abrams (Russell)  
Natalie Sauve (Cumberland)

Absent with Regrets: Jenn Primeau (Past Chair)  
Matt Dickie (VP Admin)  
Todd O'Brien (Blackburn)  
Kevin Carroll (Rangers)

- **Call To Order**  
Reg MacDonald called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm

- **Approval of Minutes from the February Meeting**

Moved by Joce Murray and seconded by Wally Montpetit to approve the minutes from the February 3rd 2024 Board Meeting

CARRIED

- **Business Arising from the Minutes**
  - Work on the Cumberland agreement is ongoing- Karen to locate the original agreement.
  - Dom has begun to put together the goalie committee and gather feedback.
- **D9RA**
  - Kevin circulated the list of referees who have paid participant fee twice, these are all being reimbursed. There was a question about potential double payments for bench staff who have had the association pay the fee on their behalf but also paid it.
  - Tryout info to be posted shortly.

Moved by Michel Breau and seconded by Gilles Vanasse to add a second linesmen at the U21 Final game for this year only.

CARRIED

- **District Chair**
  - Reg is looking forward to the playoffs.
  - Minor council has approved Live Barn for next year. Reg will circulate minor council notes after the upcoming meeting.
  - Tournaments were discussed- select vs local divisions and strategies to ensure teams are entered at the right level. Jason to discuss further with Brian and report back.
- **VP Competitive**
  - Competitive season has ended- play off performance was not as strong as past years.
- **VP House**
  - Dom reviewed the planning for finals weekend. Participants will receive Gatorades, Reg has banners and medals covered. Photo package info to come out next week. The penalty box, game sheets etc are all set to go and the carpets are ready.
  - Dom reminded associations that they need to have a representative at their games. There will be food in the GHA office around noon each day.

Moved by Dom Giglietta and seconded by Michel Breau that Cumberland will join the GHA House League at all levels next year.

CARRIED

- **VP Admin**
  - Absent.
  - Reg reminded associations to make sure their monthly minutes are posted.
  - A reminder email was sent out about scores.
- **Treasurer**
  - Karen is in talks with the city to send out final invoices and will send out the treasurer's report at that time.
- **Discipline**
  - Gilles has hosted 8 hearings this year, with 5 more to chair. Last year we were at 49.
  - Of the 13 hearings this year, 8 have been coach suspensions because of post game incidents, or 3 majors in a game. Gilles reminded the board that these hearings are mandated and not a GHA rule. Typically there are no extra suspensions for coaches as long as it is clear they were not aware an incident was about to unfold.
  - Discussion around lingering suspensions and sanctions, as well as minimum suspension rules.
  - U21 has seen a huge amount of infractions this year- especially in the last 5 weeks. There was a discussion about the U21 playoffs and fighting.

Moved by Gilles Vanasse and seconded by Joce Murray that during the playoffs a U21 member who receives a gross misconduct, match penalty, or fighting penalty is immediately suspended from playoffs.

CARRIED

- **Registrar**
  - Jason reviewed affiliations for tournaments and deadlines around rostering players.
- **Risk and Safety**
  - Nothing to report.

- **District U7/U9 Mentor**
  - The Jamboree went well, parents were in favor of full ice but would have liked a third game. Karen noted this would have meant an extra cost.
  - Ward thanked the conveners.
  
- **Ice Scheduler**
  - Karen followed up about dates for Blackburn, Gloucester Centre, and Orleans tournaments.
  - Karen needs registration numbers for the city ice application.

## Round Table

### Blackburn

Absent.

### Gloucester Centre/Orleans

Nothing to report

### Leitrim

Moved by Leo Cardinal and seconded by Dom Giglietta to move the Leitrim U9 Jamboree to January 16-19 2025.

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Leo thanked the board for help dealing with recent incidents of racist slurs. Joce is following up and preparing a letter. Reg to discuss further with these associations.

### Metcalfe

Nothing to report.

### Rangers

Absent.

### Russell

Nothing to report.

### Cumberland

Nothing to report.

- **New Business**

- **Adjournment.**

The meeting adjourned at 9:19 PM.

Moved by Dom Giglietta and seconded by Joce Murray

CARRIED