

LEEDS CHARGERS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Date of Meeting: Wednesday April 26, 2023 @ 7:00 pm
 Location of Meeting: Country Rd Community Health Centre, Portland Ontario

Attendance:

1. Joanna Smith	2. Matt Smith	3. Melanie Redmond	4. Alex McLeod (District 1)
5. Becky Gilmer (NDMHA)	6. Neil Kudrinko	7. Jymi Livesey	8. Wade McBride
9. Mark Trachy	10. Shauna Trachy	11. Kim McCann	12. Mike McCann
13. Jason Peterson	14. Alyssa Hudson	15. Skylar Hudson	16. Sara McLean
17. Troy McLean	18. Tegan	19. Baker	20. Jeff Wright
21. Michelle Cowan	22. Amy Holder	23. Gavin Holder	24. Tom Cowan
25. Ashleigh Trickey	26. Adam Trickey	27. Scott Halladay	28. Danielle Bresee
29. Matt Bresee	30. Mike Taite	31. Rob Miller	32. Andrew Worrall
33. Glenn Greene	34. Jeremy Jackson	35. Mike Halfpenny	36. Braden McKerlich

1. M. Smith called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.
2. M. Smith welcomed all attendees to the meeting, as well as guests Alex McLeod, from District 1 and Becky Gilmer (NDMHA President).
3. Approval of Minutes from Annual General Meeting – Tuesday April 14, 2022
 - Moved by Neil Kudrinko
 - Seconded by Jymi Livesey
4. Financial Statement approval - attachment
 - Acknowledgement of receipt of the financial statement for the 2022-2023 season was moved by Neil Kudrinko.
 - Seconded by Joanna Smith.
5. Executive Member Reports
 - i. President
 - Conditioning and Tryouts went really well, didn't seem to be many complaints.
 - Team Declarations were made according to UCMHL rules and regulations. The teams at the B & C levels were successful. U11Rep denied twice from HEO to move down to U11 House.
 - We hosted tournaments this season, which were well organized, well attended and received great feedback.
 - Fundraising was a very large success this year, looking forward to more next season.
 - IP Program – 51 registrants, Kudrinkos sponsored.
 - Equipment received from Atom McDonalds (jerseys, socks and toques). The league supplied two sets of goalie equipment as well, which had been ordered 3 years ago.
 - Player Development – Perfect Skating, Tom Kirton, Pivotal Goaltending

- Most teams followed the code of conduct
- Banquet was successful with 300+ people in attendance.
- Looking forward to building on lessons learned to create the most successful season as possible for next season.

ii. Vice President

- The Executive worked hard on getting Player Development up and running, it was late however every team was provided with a session, and now that it is in place, it can continue to be built on going forward with much more ease for future seasons.

iii. Treasurer

- The finances of the association were healthy before the season and remain even more so now. As a result of that I recommend that we should not need to increase registration fees next year and still be able to offer increased development ice time.
- The tournaments registrations were a challenge for our home tournaments requiring a lot of communication with tournaments coordinator. We admitted an extra team into a tournament last fall by accident. It's important to know exactly when all teams register with us via payments and report those quickly to the tournaments coordinator, so I propose that tournaments registration be handled via teamsnap next season to make this more manageable.
- Footnote: Fiscal year ends April 30th, so books are not yet closed at AGM.

iv. Secretary

- Nothing to report.

v. Referee in Chief

- Thankful for the Executive approving to pay for two younger referee's to attend referee training in HEP. Two referees were identified and sent to the training to prepare and better themselves for next season.

vi. Ice Coordinator

- No report provided.

vii. Coach Mentor / Player Development

- No report provided.

viii. Equipment Coordinator

- Still working on inventorying what is in the storage shed as well as getting jerseys back from teams.

ix. U7 Convenor

- The U7 groups had a great year and are looking forward to further developing the upcoming season.

x. U9 Convenor

- The u9 teams had a successful season. Development was evident on each team by the end of the season, each team attended at least one away tournament, lots of new friends and memories were made. Our association was lucky to have many new volunteers on the U9rosters this season in the positions of coach, trainer and manager. New families were welcome to hockey for the first time.

- After spending this season in the position of U9 Convenor, Shauna had the following recommendations moving forward into next season:
 1. Include the U9 program implementation documentation in the package provided to coaches and managers at the beginning of the season. The document includes the outline and rules of the U9 program and should be read in full by all bench staff before the season begins.
 2. Re-evaluate the structure of try-outs/sorts. There was a huge turn out for try outs this season, which made it very difficult for our evaluators to provide an effective evaluation of players. It was apparent that a few players did not land at the appropriate level this season due to the difficulty with evaluations:
 - Suggestions:
 - a. Provide an option to register for only Tier 3 evaluations at a lower cost than Tier 2 evaluations, in the hopes that numbers for Tier 2 would then be lower to allow for a more effective evaluation. [NOTE: Clarification was provided at the meeting that this structure does not align with the U9 Program Outline]
 - b. If the number of registrations is large again, split players into 2 groups rather than trying to evaluate so many players at once.
 - c. Provide on-ice instructors with drills that place skaters into lines across the ice rather than stations in each corner, which makes it easier for evaluators to see each skater.
 3. Received a suggestion from one of our U9 coaches to consider providing a few ice times at the end of the season for all graduating players to learn full ice basics: Introduction to 5 on 5 and positional play, off-sides, icing, how to line up for face offs, etc.

xi. U11 / U13 Convenor

- Nothing to report.

xii. U15 / U18 Convenor

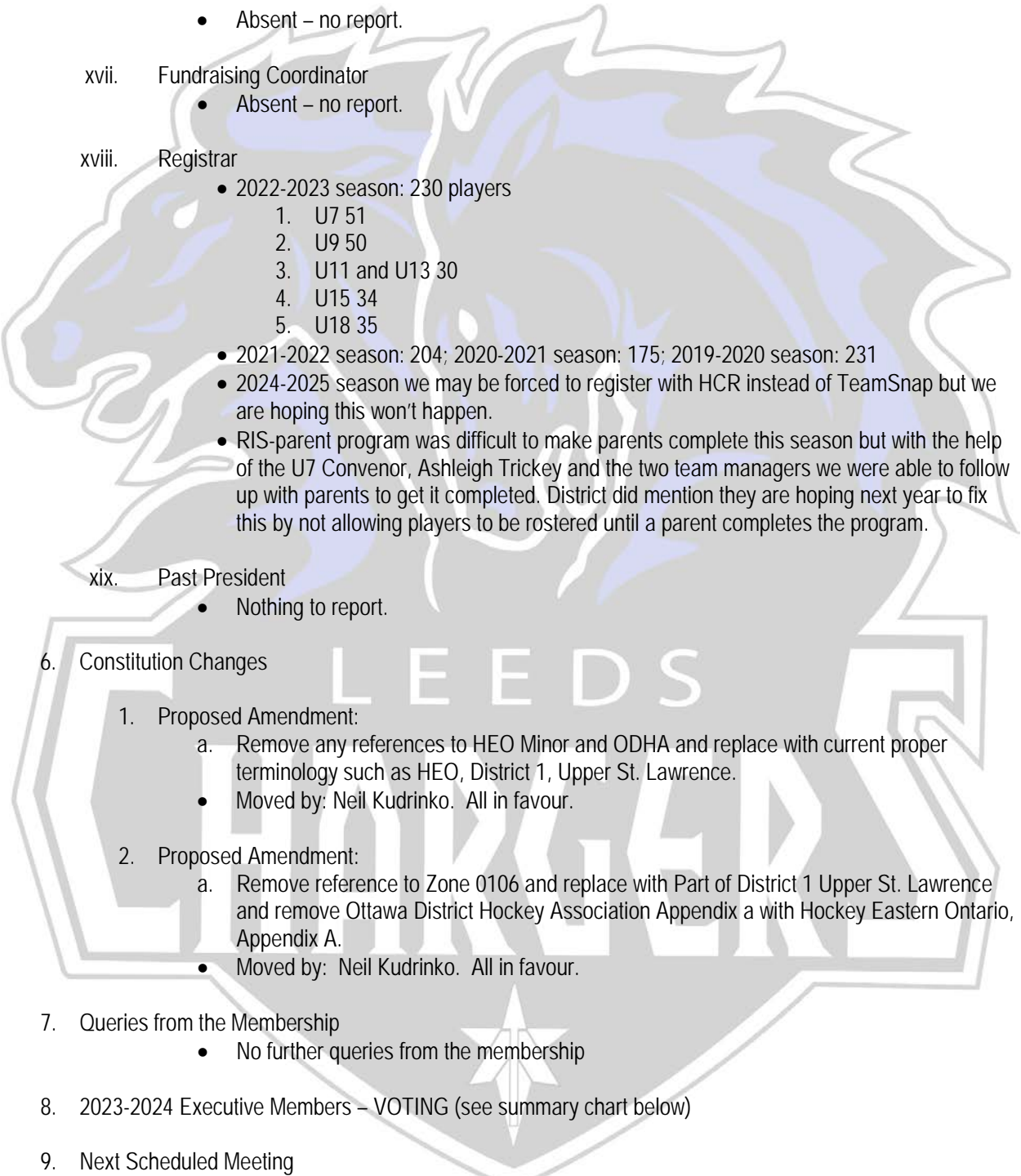
- Absent – no report.

xiii. Rules & Discipline

- Neil thanked the association for entrusting him to deal with the Rules and Discipline position over the last four years. He intends to continue officiating, but the time has come to hand off his executive position to someone new. Neil is very proud of the work we've done as an association this year and feels that for the most part, coaches, parents and players have understood the stated goals as a sport especially around discriminatory language. Instances of 11.4 infractions was down considerably this year and he thinks we would all agree that's a good thing. We held a couple of committee hearings this year. I appreciate the work of the R&D committee on these and can report that our intervention when necessary, yielded a much more positive environment for everyone involved. Thanks again to the association and especially the executive for your support over the last four years.

xiv. Risk & Safety

- Mike sat in on one hearing this past season, which was ran by Rules & Discipline. There was another hearing that Mike couldn't partake in because of a conflict, other than that nothing was brought to his attention for Risk & Safety.

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- xv. Website Coordinator
 - Absent – no report
 - xvi. Tournament Coordinator
 - Absent – no report.
 - xvii. Fundraising Coordinator
 - Absent – no report.
 - xviii. Registrar
 - 2022-2023 season: 230 players
 1. U7 51
 2. U9 50
 3. U11 and U13 30
 4. U15 34
 5. U18 35
 - 2021-2022 season: 204; 2020-2021 season: 175; 2019-2020 season: 231
 - 2024-2025 season we may be forced to register with HCR instead of TeamSnap but we are hoping this won't happen.
 - RIS-parent program was difficult to make parents complete this season but with the help of the U7 Convenor, Ashleigh Trickey and the two team managers we were able to follow up with parents to get it completed. District did mention they are hoping next year to fix this by not allowing players to be rostered until a parent completes the program.
 - xix. Past President
 - Nothing to report.
6. Constitution Changes
1. Proposed Amendment:
 - a. Remove any references to HEO Minor and ODHA and replace with current proper terminology such as HEO, District 1, Upper St. Lawrence.
 - Moved by: Neil Kudrinko. All in favour.
 2. Proposed Amendment:
 - a. Remove reference to Zone 0106 and replace with Part of District 1 Upper St. Lawrence and remove Ottawa District Hockey Association Appendix a with Hockey Eastern Ontario, Appendix A.
 - Moved by: Neil Kudrinko. All in favour.
7. Queries from the Membership
 - No further queries from the membership
8. 2023-2024 Executive Members – VOTING (see summary chart below)
9. Next Scheduled Meeting
 - a. To be determined at the call of the President.
10. Adjournment:
 - a. Neil moved to adjourn the meeting at 2054hrs.

Position	Incumbent	Nominee	Elected
President	Matt Smith	Matt Smith	Matt Smith
Vice President	Jason Peterson	Mark Trachy	Mark Trachy
		Jason Peterson	
Secretary	Melanie Redmond	Danielle Bresee	Danielle Bresee
		Amy Holder	
Treasurer	Braden McKerlich	Ashleigh Trickey	Ashleigh Trickey
Referee in Chief	Scott Halladay	Scott Halladay	Scott Halladay
Ice Allocator	Jymi Livesey	Jymi Livesey	Jymi Livesey
Coach Mentor / Player Development	Wade McBride	Wade McBride	Wade McBride
		Jeff Wright	
		Amy Holder	
Equipment Director	Melanie Redmond	Rob Miller	Rob Miller
		Amy Holder (from floor)	
Rules & Discipline	Neil Kudrinko	Jason Peterson	Jason Peterson
Risk & Safety	Mike McCann	Mike Halfpenny	Mike Halfpenny
		Michelle Cowan (from floor)	
Website Coordinator	Mike Lynn	Mike Lynn	Mike Lynn
Tournament Coordinator	Bernadette Vanderbyl	Bernadette Vanderbyl	Bernadette Vanderbyl
Fundraising Coordinator	Stacey Hartley	Stacey Hartley	Stacey Hartley
Registrar	Joanna Smith	Joanna Smith	Joanna Smith
U7 Convenor	Ashleigh Trickey	Alyssa Hudson	Alyssa Hudson
U9 Convenor	Shauna Trachy	Tegan Baker	Tegan Baker
		2 nd Nominee – Not Present	
U11 / U15 Convenor	Amy Holder	Shauna Trachy	Shauna Trachy
U13 / U15 Convenor	Demetrie Laming	Jeff Wright (from floor)	Jeff Wright

- There was a motion by Alex & Becky to destroy all multiple voting ballots after voting. Motion moved by Neil Kudrinko and seconded by Jymi Livesey.