

ESMHA Executive Meeting  
 October 14, 2020 7pm  
 Location: ES Community Centre  
 Minutes Taken: Melissa Crooks

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Attendance	Present: Paul, Melissa C, Andrew, Shannon, Janie, Jason, Tracey A, Lynn, Troy, Jenn, Rene, Laura, Tracey B, Rod, Shannon, Regrets: Gina	
Change to COVID-19 Protocols	Effective October 17 <sup>th</sup> we need to go back to hour for hour as the rink is losing money because we haven't been paying for in between times during each session. It is the crossover times (In and out) where we are running into max capacity. 25 on ice/25 spectators on while another 50 can come in. All HRM rinks are 50 maximum including on and off ice. Options: lowering the ice time (to 45 mins vs. an hour) for U7s and not clean the ice in between, look at the schedules to see how best to schedule the groups, shorten the crossover time to 10 mins before and 10 minutes after, using other doors, buy more ice time. Our biggest concern would be the younger groups to ensure parents are able to assist their children. Once teams are established we will be expecting each team to have two COVID reps that must be at the rink during practice and game times. It will be a requirement or teams will not be able to be on the ice.	Natalie will go back to the rink representation for suggestions to manage the in between times. They will work through best options for everyone involved. Paul will write something up to send to the membership with specifics of what groups need what. There will be a meeting this week to talk about U9 due to the numbers (45). Ideally, we may be able to move up 3 IP children to have three teams of 16. Gina and Renee are also looking into what was ordered last year for jerseys.

Tryouts	Jason will send out the lists and numbers to the Coordinators. Then they will be added into the evaluators "Team Genius" app. Jerseys will also be assigned to the Coordinators.	
Numbers reflecting what Team Offerings	<p>At the U9 level the numbers are predicting we will have to make a decision between one larger number team or two smaller teams.</p> <p>There have been 5 requests for conditional releases for U13 for A. But they are still required to tryout for our AA.</p> <p>U15 will have enough registered to offer 2 maybe 3 teams A, B &amp; C. The number of players coming back from other tryouts will determine this.</p> <p>U18 numbers will be dependant because of High School. Those tryouts will be done tonight so we will have a better idea. This will be reviewed once we have a better idea of numbers.</p>	<p>Paul will meet with U9 coordinators and coaches to decide collectively how to best serve the membership with team assignment due to the numbers.</p> <p>Information will be sent to the U18 parents regarding options for other associations depending on what the numbers dictate.</p>
House Keeping/Question	<p>Any emails sent to the executive please ensure theses are also passed along/forwarded to the Coordinators. This will ensure communication and messaging are clear. Paul assured all emails he is included in will be shared with the Coordinators.</p> <p>Is it possible to inform parents in advance of what offerings we will have? This is not an option as we can only announce what our top offering will be. Then based on the numbers/skill we decide what else will be offered.</p>	
Tournaments	<p>There are still no clear HNS expectations on what this will look like.</p> <p>Discussion on Tim Bit Jamboree.</p> <p>We cant make this decision until</p>	<p>We will follow up on this once we get through tryouts and have team established.</p>

	we get closer to the time frame (likely after Xmas).	
Fundraising	We are not moving forward with any fundraising at this time. This will have to be worked out as we hear more about tournaments, etc. We may have to look at a “pay as you go” method for teams. We will look at an online 50/50 option per child.	Information will be sent out to the membership on/after Nov 1 from the Coordinators (once teams are established) informing them of many of the items discussed this evening.
Pre-Season Groups	Groups have now been put together and some of the numbers are over 30.	Paul and Janie will get together to review the new combined groups to ensure there is a safety reps in place and that the numbers in the groups are appropriate.
Coaching Selection	Coordinators will be involved in the coach selection. Things considered; their score when application is submitted, previous teams coached. If there is a conflict of interest Paul and/or Andrew will need to approve. This will occur after the tryouts.	
Next Meeting		Paul will send out meeting dates in the next couple of weeks.