



District XII - Cumberland Referees Association (CRA) General Meeting

Tuesday January 9, 2024, 19:00 – 20:30
255 Centrum Blvd, Orleans, ON

1. Attendance Sign In & Welcome

2. Approval of Agenda

- Approved, no changes.

3. Referee In Chief's Report – Steve Harrison

HEO RIC Meeting – January 9 (Steve attended virtually while at our meeting). Key discussion items were as follows:

- Unsportsmanlike Behaviour vs. Abusive Behaviour**
 - HEO Video was shown at the meeting, with clear definitions on unsportsmanlike vs. abusive behaviours
- Rule Knowledge**
 - Evidence of gap in rule knowledge becoming apparent at competitive levels of hockey on Game Incident Reports, specifically in terms of misconducts vs. game misconducts vs. gross misconducts. Rule knowledge is important at all levels but especially at competitive levels of hockey.
- Protective Equipment**
 - HEO video was shown at the meeting.
 - Scenarios for not wearing equipment, or wearing equipment properly along with the appropriate penalties were discussed
- Injured Player – Withdrawal of Major Penalty**
 - HEO looking at ways to report a 5-minute penalty in situations where a player is injured or appears to be injured and returns to the game. Item still under discussion.
- Discipline**
 - HEO is looking at standardizing discipline for players across all districts.
- Development of New Officials**
 - Some districts have discussed different ways to integrate new referees such as lining in 3-officials system ahead of doing any games in 2-official system. CRA may survey younger officials towards the end of the season for further input and discussion.

4. Secretary Report – Neil Armstrong

- Attendance consistent across the first 4 body meetings, remains much improved compared to previous seasons.
- Next body meeting will be Tuesday February 13, 7pm-8:30pm.

5. Assignors Reports

a) House League (HL) – Lucio Paiano

- January assigning nearly complete. Email will be sent next week requesting that officials update their availability for the month of February and up to the March break (end of the house league regular season).
- U15 / U18 tournament – please ensure to update your availability, we need all the officials we can get. Officials that are rated for U13 and available for the tournament could potentially be used at U15 on the lines.
- Bell Capital Cup games were successful. Some issues around game times, timekeepers, and time issues related to the penalty shot competition were raised. Will provide a further update when we have more information.
- Reminder that U9 games will be full-ice as of Jan 15. Timed penalties to be the same as U11 HL (1 minute for minor penalties, 2 minutes for double minors, 3 minutes for major / match penalties).

b) Competitive – Serge Gervais



- All competitive games are assigned through to the end of the competitive regular season.
- Serge will be unavailable from January 11-29. Contact Lucio for any concerns related to competitive assigning if required in his absence. Lucio will assign competitive playoffs if the schedule comes out prior to Serge's return.

6. Coaching (Supervisions) Report – Stephane Rollin

- 375 supervisions completed and uploaded to date. Great work.
- If there are supervisors that are behind, they will be contacted.
- Emails continue to be sent out weekly for games to be supervised.
- Next period will run from January 15 to February 14.

7. Mentorship Report – Ken Commerford-Everett

a) Mentorship

- Mentorship reports from each mentor that cover the period up to January 14 are due at week's end.
- Mentors encouraged to continue reaching out to mentees.

b) Quiz Program

- December quiz completed – results will be discussed amongst the Executive.
- January quiz is available, deadline to complete is January 31. Email reminder sent to all officials on January 9. Do-overs will not be permitted except in the event of technical issues on the TTM website. Contact your mentor for assistance; be sure of your answers before you formally submit them.
- Remember to show up looking professional at games. Competitive is business casual, house league is more relaxed but officials should not show up wearing clothing such as ripped jeans, flip flops etc.

8. Development Report – Seb Masse

- Ratings have been updated for officials who have completed their shadows and 3-official on-ice training. They will be reviewed again ahead of the house league playoffs.

9. Treasurer's Report – Serge Gervais

- January cheque covers all games from December 1 to 24 as well as all supervisions and shadows completed and uploaded to TTM by December 14. Games officiated during Bell Capital Cup will be included on the February cheque.
- Still awaiting payment from Richcraft Sensplex for November tournaments.
- Some of the rates from the Bell Capital Cup were incorrect – these will be addressed for next seasons ahead.

10. Web Master's Report – C Daniel Gory

- Rule of the Week videos continue to be uploaded to our website as they come in. Links for the most recent videos were sent out by Steve.

11. Discipline & Appeals Report – John Dunn

- With tournaments it's more important to show up earlier than usual, as games can start early if we're ahead of schedule. Ensure to contact partners and / or appropriate assignors as needed.

12. Referee Representative Report – Mark Winder

a) Referee Representative

- Nothing to report.

b) Apparel Program

- All first-year officials have now received their tuque.

13. Adjournment of General Body meeting at 7:55pm.