

District XII - Cumberland Referees Association (CRA) General Meeting

Thursday March 7, 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

- a. Major penalty when there's an injury
 - Rule "e" no longer applies, and has been removed from TTM as it circumvents Hockey Canada minimum suspension guidelines. We are to call 5+GM using rule reference "b" based on injury and / or degree of violence impact, as we did previously.
- b. U15HL game
 - One game was not in our schedule. Thanks to the 2 officials were able to stay beyond earlier schedule games.
- c. Insurance Fees
 - Anyone who is an official with D12 and plays with either Dukes or Grads is eligible to be reimbursed for an insurance fee (which you pay as an official and as a player). Email Serge if this applies to you; you will not be reimbursed automatically.
- **d.** Game Incident Reports for Maltreatment
 - When you are contacted to confirm details for maltreatment, it is simply to seek confirmation of what we saw / heard, to refute any complaints brought forth by parents or coaches or players for these types of incidents.
- e. HEO Educational Bursaries
 - If graduating from high school this year, there are 4 different bursaries that officials across HEO can apply on.
 See details within email sent out by Steve on March 7. Interested officials should submit an application directly to HEO. Full instructions can be found here:
 heo-2023-2024-bursary-application.pdf (hockeyeasternontario.ca)

4. Secretary Report – Neil Armstrong

• Annual General Meeting (AGM) – we are targeting Thursday April 25, exact details will be confirmed at a later date. We will wrap up the season, there will be door prizes, end-of-season awards, and pizza.

5. Assignors Reports

- a) House League (HL) Lucio Paiano
 - Regular season assigning is complete.
 - Playoff schedule expected to be received over March break, games will be assigned immediately thereafter. Email has been sent to all officials to ensure availability is updated for the period of March 17 – April 7.
 - If you are selected to do finals games and you end up being unable to do them, you cannot put them up for grabs. Please email Lucio with sufficient notice so that they may be reassigned.
 - Lucio will be out of the country from March 17-31.
 - CMHA organizers from the U15/U18 tournament are considering trying to host the U13 and possibly the U11 tournament at Cumberland rinks next year instead of the Richcraft Sensplex. Details to come next year.

b) Competitive – Serge Gervais

• Competitive season finished, unless we received any additional requests.



6. Coaching (Supervisions) Report – Stephane Rollin

- 544 supervision reports completed and uploaded to TTM. Great job this season.
- Supervisions can be completed for the first week (round robin) of playoff games. The start of next season could be affected for supervisors who have not completed this year's individual quota before the end of the season.

7. Mentorship Report – Ken Commerford-Everett

- a) Mentorship
 - With games becoming more important at house league playoffs, communication with your mentor can be even more valuable. Don't hesitate to reach out!

b) Quiz Program

- February quiz results: 3 people did not pass, 5 did not attempt.
- Serious concerns over lack of participation and success in the quiz program. No excuse for non-attempts.
- HEO quizzes are mandatory until you have successfully completed 12, and if you are looking to get into central games (higher levels of competitive), they are mandatory even after you have completed 12 with CRA.
- We will begin incentivizing officials for their success in the quiz program if they go 12 for 12.
- Stephan Lemaire and Renaud Lebrun have graduated from the quiz program. Congratulations!

8. Development Report – Seb Masse

• Executive will not upgrade officials' ratings ahead of playoffs, but you are still eligible to be assigned games above your current ratings.

9. Treasurer's Report – Serge Gervais

- March cheques will cover all games from February 1-29, including the U15 / U18 house league tournament.
- Reminder that there is a development assignment that must be completed if you miss a meeting.
- Beginning next season, officials who request their cheques be mailed will be charged \$1 on a future cheque to cover the cost of postage.

10. Web Master's Report – C Daniel Gory

- HEO Rule of the Week videos are done for the season.
- House League playoff schedule will be uploaded onto the website as soon as it is received.
- New HEO Dressing Room Policy has been uploaded to the CRA website in the Documents section.

11. Discipline & Appeals Report – John Dunn

• Discipline notices have been sent out for quiz non-attempts, and this will continue in earnest next season.

12. Referee Representative Report – Mark Winder

- a) Referee Representative
 - Nothing to report.
- b) Apparel Program
 - Nothing to report.

13. New Business

- Proposed changes to Constitution / Bylaws must be received within 15 days of the AGM. Send any proposals to Neil. Summary of any proposed changes will be sent out to the membership within 10 days of the AGM.
- If you are interested in joining the CRA Executive, there will likely be some positions available to fill after the 2024-25 season. Send an email to anyone on the Executive if interested.

14. Adjournment of General Body meeting at 7:48pm.