



NMHA Executive Meeting

Monday December 14th, 2020

7:30-8:00 ZOOM

Present: Michelle Brown President, Jen Barlow OMHA Rep, Karen McCormack Secretary, Jen Risk Management, Shannon Drumm, Jodi, Kim, Patricia, Kelly, Dave, Lynn Marie

A. Call to Order: 7:30 pm

Agenda:

- COVID Update- Since our last evening, Michelle has asked that as an Executive of the Association and a decision is made, despite our personal opinions about the decisions made we cannot publicly disagree.
- What to do while the CCC is closed, Baltimore and other arenas are not able to schedule our needed ice time.
- Option to remain on pause until CCC opens.
- Patricia requires 21 for games and 48 for practices. Patricia reported that starting next week we will not be able to provide enough practice times.
- Bill suggested we revert back to our old practice teams. Patricia indicated that she would need 37 hours to do this.
- Michelle- the closest viable option is to give everyone one game and exclude the U9s and below.
- Adam Holzman- has some parents indicate that they are going to pull their kids until January, when things may be under control, or we can assure safety (which we can't do). If we go to smaller teams we can combine to maximize ice but if we go to red we can only have 10 per ice time. This would not be financially viable. Our options, shut down until January but run the risk of an increase in cases after Christmas. We can run hockey until May. The membership won't be ok with one ice time every two weeks. The U15 and up won't go if they aren't having games. Suggested, we plan for a shut down until February until we can get ice time. If we can get one ice time a week we can possibly go back to our practice teams. Not a fan of Colborne, they don't seem to be following protocol with respect to COVID. Patricia- can we access Grafton? It's a smaller ice and would be appropriate for the younger age groups. Jen- if they are willing to rent to us she will draw up a contract and organize ice. Jen B- will have to amend the plan to include new arenas. Michelle- how long is this sustainable, how long before Jack Burger

closes as well. It seems that putting hockey on pause is the best option. There will be a financial cost to cancelling ice at Burger. With the numbers increasing in our community, cases are increasing in schools. Michelle- CCC confirmed that there are well over 200 contacts being tested, Northumberland has 15 positive cases as of today.

- Discussion regarding determining next steps if we go to red, do we shut down and pause? Do we finish the week? Do we pause at the end of this week?
- Lynn Marie- the next few days will tell the tale. Believes that we will move to red in the coming days, and that we should follow the CCCs plan and shut down. Not sure how it works with respect to paying for ice cancellations. Has not seen the policy that outlines the cancellation policy.
- Patricia- Jack Burger requires 2 weeks notice.
- Karen- pausing as of Sunday seems to make the most sense, pause over the Christmas holidays until the middle of January.
- Motion to shut down hockey as of Sunday December 20th until January 11th- Motion passed
- Message to families will be posted and the ice times will take place tonight.
- Karen- is there any value in looking at a different organization of teams and players. Doesn't seem so.

Next Meeting Date: Tuesday January 5th @ 7:00