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**Greater London Hockey Association**

**Meeting – Online**

**October 19, 2023**

**Attendance: Jack Boyce, Luisa Gould, Lisa Gibbs, Darcy Goettling, Matt Biderman, Chris Golem, John Brochu, Frank Rapski, Sean Jeffries , Justin Hoffer, Sean Wheatley, Laura Brown**

Welcome/Call to Order- 7:05 pm

* Confirmation of Agenda

1. Diversity Project update-15 mins

* Justin discussed that they had left off at the group with the email in regard to the questions that were created for the focus groups. It seems to have stalled at this part and not been completed.
* Laura talked about that she has some funds that she has available, additional funds to get marketing and to ensure we can make this project reach its goals from the Canadian legacy funds, and What funds were used in the school funds and OHF has some additional funds available.
* Looking at the demographics low-income families and zip codes and based on this provide funds for programs in this area.
* Get some old equipment to provide to families in need to run these programs.
* Buzz around the Kadri tournament
* Financials scope of the work
* Focus group
* Volunteers to get this up and running.
* Questionnaire
* Interview questions on iPad
* TMP interview process,
* Information gathering
* Recommendation – gateway Marketing company
* Deliverable – hasn’t happened.
* What exists? Tri Hockey program
* School program
* Assumptions? – Roadblocks? – we are making assumptions its based on financial, but it could be based on religion and tournaments and example was given to us that Muslims can’t drink or hang out with individuals at tournaments who drink
* Revising the scope of the work
* GLHA- OHF run – funding requests , help us get the funds and do the apply for the funds.
* IHF/OHF sponsorship
* Timelines, commit volunteers to run this program.
* Ie Kadri tournament – give the kids a jersey and a field trip to the game , watch a game gives them an introduction to the game and get them to answer questionnaires.
* Various assets- website banners, marketing dept
* Tri programming campaign
* Schools Involved
* New Canadians
* Cautioning making assumptions that may not be necessarily true based on demographic surveys.
* Where did our 5000.00 go to ?
* Promising us some funds
* Updates- please continue to give us updates.
* Organizing a volunteer group
* Set date to be a part of this.
* Get together next steps we don’t want this to fall to the wayside.
* Jack thanked Laura and Justin for their time.
* Jack- Justin, we know you had a passion for this project and think you should continue with this project.
* Matt- doesn’t think that Justin should continue as he is not on the alliance board any longer.

1. Joe O’ Neil Guest- 5 mins- Joe reached out to Jack to find out if we were still interested in getting this project back up , and the 4 presidents reviewed the issues at hand, some suggestions were made based on the bigger picture of where hockey was going in 3 to 5 years, and where hockey was going? Jack will go back to Joe and let him know that we would reconvene and ask for the feedback that was provided by the analysis as we didn’t receive this information.
2. Christmas Social – 5 mins- Jack would like to offer the opportunity for our board to invite spouses to a dinner for the Christmas time meeting get back to us for dates.
3. Lrg – 5 mins- if you have something for the LRG, please let Jack or Luisa to know so they can be invited to the meting to discuss.
4. Seminar /Dressing rooms- Darcie- 5 mins – clarification is this happening, there are 3 dates next one is oct 23 it’s a webinar.

SharePoint – was different all together – but that link is also available.

* Approval of prior meeting minutes: Sept 7 Meeting - Motion to approve the minutes of September 7 th- Chris and Lisa Seconded all were in favour.
* Reports.
  + Chairperson- Jack wants to thank the group for working hard to ensure all of our HL and BB players had a place to play hockey this season, and ensuring we had goalies.
  + Rep Council- more about seeded hockey, next season any U16 player released from AA can play at their previous Association – Jack voted this down, but it went through anyways.
  + Championships- running at Hamilton by the Alliance and not Hamilton- funds to run the OHF are available 8000 for OHF and 4000 for alliance.
  + London Referee Group
  + Treasurer- low funds at the moment, 3.25 service fee through the bank, review with Jamie Bolt about reviewing the documents – cost for doing this is 500 to 1000.00 – Jack tabled this – discuss with your association and come back with a decision.
  + Technical Director
* Committee Reports.
  + Community Hockey League – house league up and running this past weekend and we had our ChL meetings- ipads are all now working, discussion about making the tournaments consistent in-house league 3 tournaments, Oakridge allows them to apply for 4

Discuss with boards , Jack feels that 4 is a good number but that’s up to the boards and CHL members.

* + Mustangs- drafted their teams , and AA players released , have 2 balanced teams and everyone stayed . Question how much it is costing for membership fee Luisa- roughly 59.00, mustang wasn’t allowed to play in a certain area because of the fee’s being lost. Jack was going to address with the Alliance regarding this information.
* Round Table/New Business
* Oakridge- nothing
* North- Can everyone provide information regarding funds for the registrars and Ice convenors and voting on these members- they are staff not voting members-
* North Ice 9000
* Oakridge- 6000 for both , the registrar does extra work.
* West pays Trish 25.00 an hour, and jack of all trades
* Phibbs- 700.00 a month
* At the Agm they get voted in and or renewed
* North Tournament – 132 teams and they are full.
* Any divisions struggling- no I think we are good but will let you know Lisa.
* West- nothing to report.
* Bandits- nothing to report.
* John Brochu- nothing
* Sean Jeffries- nothing
* Frank- nothing
* Luisa – Audits – revisit a the next meeting we have put it off forget to put it on the agenda
* Christmas dinner dates
* Adjournment
* Motion to adjourn the meeting – Lisa and Darcy at 8:29pm all were in favour