SARNIA MINOR LACROSSE ASSOCIATION

| | Tricia Ross, President Regular monthly meetin | | submitted. |
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| TYPE OF MEETING R | Regular monthly meetin | | |
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| SECRETARY K | Kate Teft | | |
| WELCOME | | | |
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| ATTENDANCE T | Tricia Ross, Stephanie Di | unlop, Kate Teft, Dar | na Stephenson, Tom Quinn,Derek |
| Н | Haynes, Brian Vanderbu | rght, Trevor Tope, M | ike Mroczek |
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| ACCEPTANCE OF N | MOTION 2021-12-08-00 | <u>01</u> | |
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Tricia emailed Nicole Coffey (Zone 7 Registrar) to find out if we knew anything yet in regards to registration - I touched base with Dana last week to let her know that I reached out to the OLA again but still haven't heard back from them. Ron McSpadyen finally replied to me yesterday saying that they are still finalizing insurance fees and are hoping for a final answer this week, and will let us know ASAP. I'm not holding my breath. I'll keep you guys posted as soon as I hear something. Police Checks – we need to get the appropriate paperwork in order for the executive, volunteers and coaches/bench staff to be able to get these done ASAP in the New Year. Once coaches have been selected they will have an idea of who their bench staff is going to be – I want these forms all completed long before tryouts. Let's aim for April 1st.

| TREASURER'S REPORT | MOTION 2021-12-08-0002 |
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| Tom Quinn | Report was given and accepted |
| | "Tom Quinn motioned that the board accept the Treasurer's report for December 8/21 as presented." Motion forwarded by Tricia Ross and seconded by Kate Teft. CARRIED |
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| REP LACROSSE REPORT | Coaches for the 2022 Lacrosse Season: |
| | Tyke 1 – Brady McDonald |
| | Tyke 2 - |
| | Novice 1 – Jeff Cox |
| | Novice 2 – Shawn Zettle |
| | Peewee 1 – Shaun Kennedy |
| | Peewee 2 – Tom Quinn |
| | Bantam 1 – Tate Ross |
| | "Tricia Ross motioned that the board accept the coaches for the 2022 season as presented." Motion forwarded by Tricia Ross and seconded by Brian Vanderburght. CARRIED |
| | We did not have anyone apply to coach paperweight or midget. I agree with Tom & Mike to not floor a paperweight team for the 2022 season. We have not had lacrosse in two years so these kids will not have even gone through fundamentals yet. I think we advertise our 3-on-3 program for this age group and build interest and player skills and look at having a paperweight team in 2023. |
| | As for the midgets, I say we wait and see what our registration numbers look like at this age group and if we have enough to floor a team then we find a coach. If we advertise that we do not have anyone, we will likely get people applying that we are not interested in having a coach. For now, we will leave these coaches as TBD. |
| | We plan to hold the Coaches meeting at the beginning of our next board meeting. We will not be in a rush to pick tournaments as the OLA website states that tournament applications are not even due to them until January 17/22. |
| | We will hold a manager's meeting closer to the season starting. |

| | Coaches Clinic dates not available yet – Host applications due January 21/21. It will be good to know ASAP from the coaches who need to attend a clinic this year. |
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| REFEREE IN CHIEF | |

FUNDAMENTALS

(Fundamentals/Paperweight/3-on-3)

Mike Mroczek

The Fundamentals program has always been a success and this coming season shouldn't present any difficulties. I suggest we follow the same format with parents on the floor with their child.

Paperweight Rep; I agree with Tom. If there isn't a coach then we don't field a Paperweight Rep team. I guess we should keep in mind that many of this age level haven't been on the floor for 2 years and many have never played before.

3-on-3: To the same point as above, for many 5- and 6-year old's, this season may be the first time they've experienced lacrosse. Even in the best years, we have kids in 3-on-3 that have never played lacrosse and have no idea what's going on. This coming season that number will grow even more, especially if there isn't a Paperweight Rep team. Assuming we're going to have a lot of players in the 3-on-3, then it's imperative we have a lot of adult support. Just to refresh everyone's memory, as per the OLA rules, there are 9 players on a team (no goalie): 3 playing, 3 waiting on the "bench," and 3 players in the centre of the floor working on drills with a coach. There are referees, a 30 second shot clock, a 3-pass rule, no contact-no equipment except for helmets and gloves, Swax Lax balls, and first to trap gains possession. By the way, those rules cannot be changed, especially the equipment/contact rule; changing the rules without approval can open up the organization to liability.

So, based on the math, there would have to be 36 players to form 4 teams (the number of players on a team can be modified), and each team needs at least 3 adult coaches: one on the floor, one at the "bench," and one working drills with the players.

| MEDIA/WEB REPO | Once the coaches have been solidified and contacted we will need to update the website and we also need to change all the age groups over to the new U designations. I will let you know when we are good to move forward with this. | | | |
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| EQUIPMENT Trevor Tope | Tricia – we need to get some ideas for coaches shirts for the 2022 season or order more of what we've had in the past. I think the coaches prefer the lighter weight shirts due to the summer temperatures. I think we also need to order some apparel for the executive board members – I personally am not a fan of a golf shirt, so if you have any ideas for something different, please let Trevor know so that we can get some ideas. | | | |
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| ZONE 7 REPRESENTATIVE REPORT | Zone Director – no one stepped up at the AGM to take on this role so Rory will continue fulfilling the role until someone does (it has to be someone that has held a zone 7 board position for at least 1 year) | | | |
| Tricia Ross | | | | |
| VICE PRESIDENT REPORT | Steph is working on updating the coach's packages for the January meeting. | | | |
| Steph Dunlop | | | | |
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| FLOOR TIME SCHEDULER REPORT Steph Dunlop | Tom - We have a preliminary schedule done up but City Hall doesn't know what ice is staying in, if it even does. We don't know if we have both floors or not until Perry's hockey is set. Sounds like they will be pulling it out of both for home shows then putting one back in. No construction planned which is good. Long story short we are on it and depending on what teams we have might not need as much. Steph - I have spoken with Derek Lucas from the Point and will have a meeting with him in the near future once we know our needs before the Point starts filling up! | | | |
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| CORRESPONDENCE TO | No new Correspondence | | | |
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| PRESIDENT REPORT Tricia Ross | | | | |
| SPONSORSHIP | Grantwatch Granwatch has been purchased Login = vburgt84@gmail.com PW = pacerlax | | | |
| | \$199 for the yearly subscription receipt attached | | | |
| | There are currently 33 grants fitting our criteria feel free to have a look https://ontario.grantwatch.com/grant-search.php | | | |

once a grant has been selected there is a lengthy process of writing the grant that I will learn how to do

Government subsidy

I am looking into rent subsidy for SMLA, more to come (Petrolia minor hockey uses this subsidy) https://www.cfib-fcei.ca/en/canada-emergency-rent-subsidy-cers-faq

here is some basic info before we can apply

Sponsorship

**Action required - Would like to have opinion on hitting the pavement again now that restrictions have become lax in our area (pun intended)

And if anyone has any suggestions on whom to approach to let me know**

Looking forward to collaborate with John Pilkey on some of his ideas

Recruitment

3-4 kids @ 2012 age likely to sign up

2 kids @ 2014 that look promising

1-2 kids @ 2015 age group

OLD/NEW BUSINESS REPORT

New Jersey's/Shorts - Tom and Andy are finalizing the jerseys sizing with measurements from old ones. They will be purchasing 15 pairs of extra shorts in each size. They are hoping the final quote will be in by Monday at the latest.

| NEXT MEETING | Monthly Meeting- | 7:00pm- Annual | Stokes Inland |
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| | Thursday January 6, 2022 | Meeting | |

| ADJOURNMENT | | |
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