



Point Edward

Minor Athletic Association

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Virtual Meeting

September 9, 2025

Attendees: Liz Page, Lynz Jackson, Jane Sokol-Kennedy, Rob Shortreed, Erin Callahan, Mo Ramadan

1. Financial Report - Lynz
 - Liz shared lottery and meat raffle account balances
 - Meet raffles – every 3 weeks from Sept-June now
2. Soccer
 - Overall, went well, some ideas to fine tune the age groups for next season.
3. Hockey

Brad Burton sent us a proposal – reviewed and discussed, approved in principle, but needing to clarify if he was requesting payment. I checked with Derek and there is no additional ice time available at this time, so it would need to fit in during our regular practice times at this time.

The group agreed unanimously, it as a win/win with age groups being combined and Coaches being asked to give up one practice each to accommodate it to start:

Brad's Proposal:

As per our prior discussion, here is an outline of the proposed "Skills Coach" position I had in mind.

Initially, I'd look to work with each group of players as potentially an additional skating for those that are interested. Providing an option for all age groups -- with the ability to combine similar groups (skill/age) -- could be a good way to maximize each session. Furthering that into working with select teams during team practices (through coaches' request) is also something I'd be willing to help with. Also, an option to work with coaches and/or players off the ice in a "classroom" style teaching of tactics/strategy is something I've been interested in doing at some point.

My plan would be to work on skating and puck skills, primarily. I have conducted youth programs like this frequently since 2019 on my own and through other organizations (mainly Mooretown with both the Jr. Flags and Lady Flags), and project to help with the Wallaceburg Minor Hockey Association this season, as well. Additionally, I am confident and willing to work with goaltenders during other sessions and/or practices to ensure they receive adequate attention, too.

How or why, this would work for Point Edward?

I believe there are many Point Edward players (families) interested in doing extra work to increase their capabilities. Currently, many are taking part in other additional programs outside of PEMAA to do this, so providing an option within the organization would be an added bonus. Whether their plan is to attempt to move up and play at a more competitive level or remain within PEMAA, I believe that improving skills and skating has a benefit for both the individual, team and organization.

Utilization of current coaches within the organization as helpers would also be a great option, as they could possibly take away aspects of each skate to work on within their own practices, and they already have (or will have) a rapport with the skaters. Plus, I believe all the coaches show initiative and would generally want to help with this process, as well.

Hopefully this covers some of what my thoughts are in an outline for you.

If you have any questions about this, please let me know!

4. Coach Concern— we need to develop a plan to meet with him and share with that Individual from last season, that we did have a concern in writing and would like them to reflect upon feedback.

5. Jamboree Directors – Alyssa Cosford and Sasha Jamieson volunteered to be our co-directors
6. “Stop the Bleed” Clinic – Sept 29th at SCCYS 6-7:30pm with LHSC and Point Edward Fire Dept not full but getting there, LHSC will go first, then PEFR, then Rob
7. ONCA compliance progress – need to get financials in order/up to date and have AGM and upload minutes etc. as soon as possible. Justin made incredible progress and saved us a tonne of time and \$\$
8. Spirit Day - date was established, Retro 80's theme
9. Chamber of Commerce event – I think Lynz and Erin might be signed up for this clinic at the Delta 4 Points
10. Meat Raffles – we have returned to every 3 weeks, final total not in from summer, we definitely made less than other years due to the few weeks that were very tough and the problem with the tickets (some were the wrong numbers and couldn't be sold) still profitable and time well spent
11. Tournaments – several teams are registered for tournaments already – are we sticking with paying for up to \$2000
12. OMHA insurance went up substantially – almost \$3000!
13. LMLL meets Sept 30th and schedule should be forthcoming shortly thereafter
14. Big Backlog with VSC checks – as everyone is finding, “direct contact with children and youth” is the key to having it done for free and using the OHF VSC form vs our old letter is also important – Dean has said receipts for VSC can be uploaded in lieu of a completed VSC to start the season (because of the back log) all coaches/bench staff must upload their affidavit if they are not due . We may host a one hour “help session” at the rink instead of chasing and fielding emails?
15. Timekeeping and Music – Liz has taken it back from Jen M – not looking to add people right now until we see who is returning and who isn't
16. Referee sponsorship – PEMAA approved sponsoring up to \$400 split evenly among applicants, if there are less applicants, more of their course could be covered.
17. Rosters are mostly stable with the exception of UI8 – three players have indicated they are not returning and one more may be leaving; we are at 15 skaters and still have 2 names on the wait list
18. Unsanctioned activities – these are activities that are not mandated or covered by OMHA insurance (eg. pre-season skates, team outings and team building etc) - we need to be careful that even though they are always presented as “voluntary”, some families may not be able to swing it or afford to participate which creates feelings of shame and or players feeling left out. Obviously, we know these events are created with

the best of intentions, but I can also set up a situation where other teams feel they are getting “less” of an experience by their bench staff may be unable to facilitate “extras” for lots of good reasons. We can discuss this further, but Liz identified feeling concerned, we love the enthusiasm but do not want to see any “division” amongst teams and or divisions.

19. One age group has a parent who has a company and is willing to “sponsor” some of the extras...we did have language to that end, I believe it was “up to \$1000” per team and anything beyond that, needed to be directed to the whole organization (I will look for the language) – but hoping others will recall as well!
20. Grant proposal – The Village has changed their process around requesting \$\$\$. Our grant proposal for 2026 is due Sept 15th (we received just 2 weeks’ notice), We let him know we would be asking for the same amount and asked for an extension until October to do a proper job on it. They were fine with that plan.

21. Coaches meeting – October 1st @ 129 Kendall Street

PEMAA October meeting – October 8th 15th? – to be confirmed

22. Equipment

- Jersey inventory – we need to ensure we get them all back – practice jerseys and game jerseys, especially if players have moved on or aged out
- Look at removing name bars on players moving up

23. LMLL – next meeting Sept 29th

Topic for next meeting

ONCA

Jamboree

AGM