

OTHA Commissioner's Meeting Agenda Notes Thursday April 24, 2025 8:30-9:45 at Extreme Ice Center

Invitee list: (Bold names in attendance) Tom Condon (Treasurer), **Jeff Bentley** (C1 league Commissioner), **Jim Hildebrand** (C2 league Commissioner), **Bob Loesner** (C3 league Commissioner), Chad Mangum (Friday Lunch League Co-Commissioner), Doug Faulhaber (Friday Lunch League Co-Commissioner), **Rick Sanford** (Schedule Manager), (Justin Culbertson (ScoreKeeper Manager), Dave Madanski (Jersey Manager) Billy Curd (Jersey Manager), **Greg Bishop** (Player Safety and Conduct - C2), **Don Klinger** (Association Commissioner), **Adam Clark** (Special Guest)

Information Sharing

- Budget - Adam walked us through the format he created for budgeting. The organization of the information was well received. We requested to add a tab for the Friday lunch league and begin to populate information about costs and expenses. Tom will work with Adam to populate the information with accurate figures for the remainder of 2025 with the objective to fine tune the process for a full year 2026 budget. Thank you Adam for all the excellent work, this will be a valuable tool to assist the leadership group with financial management.
- Single Registration - The concept of a single registration will no longer be pursued. Separate registrations for each league worked well and the benefit of a single registration does not outweigh the time, effort and adjustment by the members to move to a single registration.
- Work with each other, no need to always go through me, although I would like to be in the loop
 - Rick for scheduling
 - Tom for Financial
 - Justin for ScoreKeepers
 - Dave for jerseys
- Sport Engine Replacement Research - Rick proposed several ideas for consideration. As a starting point, we agree for Rick to organize a group to explore alternatives to Sports Engine. Future considerations include groups to explore an OTHA Apparel store and Managing our own OTHA Referees. In future meetings, we will evaluate the feedback from the group evaluating SE and consider the process for additional considerations.
- Board Insurance - renewal and payment will occur in May

Discussion

- Season Review - The Commissioner's reviewed their seasons. Overall, results were positive, with good competitive games, enjoyable camaraderie. There were a few minor player safety and conduct situations that were comfortably addressed through conversations with the involved players.

- Registration Review - The registration process went very smoothly with all leagues filling all roster positions with a few additional players. The Commissioners and captains did an excellent job of communicating the registration window. Drafts and jersey orders were completed timely. Players requested electronic notification of registration dates and expressed low value in some of the SE registration add-on portions of the registration such as training classes. Don will investigate the ability to automate notifications and the removal of low value options for the next registration.
- Live Barn access - Bob - how can we get access for everyone that needs it? - can the rink provide user access for us - Don follow-up
- There was discussion about gathering feedback from members through Survey Monkey or other channel. The registration process offers the ability to include questions to gather feedback. Next meeting, we will discuss specific information that we would like to gather feedback on. Specific suggestions in this meeting were: referees, competition, registration. Suggestions included offering a scale of 1-10 for ratings and open ended questions

Decisions

- Friday Lunch League future - we did not get enough players to pay for the ice, we could shorten the season, cover the difference, we are likely to get additional registrations, but not sure how many, we can raise prices in the future to recover the reserves - maybe we could look for a sponsor - by the time we had our meeting, Friday Lunch League was very close to getting enough registrations to cover costs and had enough interest that it was not necessary to have this discussion..
- Meeting cadence - continue monthly meetings, more, less? Want to try an audio call? Google Meet? Every other month on Google Meet or audio call. Could be quarterly in person with others online The decision was made to have an audio call for our next meeting and consider reducing the frequency.
- Do you want a text group? -keep it email -maybe for winter weather - There was no desire for a text group,

Next Meeting May 28, 2025 8:30-9:45

- Sports Engine Pricing - Tom