



Athlete/LTAD Committee Agenda

Conference Call
November 10, 2010

Present: Kevin Hanlon (Chair), Chuck Robineau (Eastern Athlete), Kathy Noxon (delegate for Eastern LTAD), Andrew Shaunessey (Southern Athlete), Kevin Sweeney (Central Athlete)

Absent: Debbie Jo Linklater (Northeastern Athlete)

Guests/Staff: Janet Logan (VP), Kim Noxon (ORA Athlete)

Agenda Item	Key Points of Discussion	Action
Welcome		
Should a U10 player be allowed to play as a U12 Petite Provincial goalie?	The skill level of this particular player has been discussed with several people and the consensus is that she definitely has the skill level to play at the U12 Provincial level and there is agreement that this is where she should be playing. It is the committee's recommendation that she be permitted to play on this team full time.	
Should the same player be able to be on a two team agreement with a Novice B team as a skater?	The feeling of the committee is that this is potentially a difference of three levels and as such is too big a stretch. One of the concerns is that she could be put in nets on the Novice team and that would be a detriment to not only potential goalies on her team, but also to the other teams. It is the committee's recommendation that she not be placed on a two player agreement as she has already been assessed to be appropriately placed at a U12 Provincial level.	
Upcoming Meetings	Athlete will meet the weekend of January 7-9 in Whitby, G&T will meet the weekend of January 14-15 and the Board will meet the weekend of January 21 - 23.	
Fair Ice Policy	See attached updated fair ice policy. Further thought is to be given to creating an additional discretion U14 Provincial.	Committee to work on this and put forward a motion at the January meeting for implementation in September 11. This needs to be publicized prior to 2011/12 coaching selection.
Fair Play Policy	See attached updated fair play policy.	To be finalized and motion put forward at the January meeting for implementation in September 11.
Hazing Policy	See attached hazing policy.	To be finalized and motion put forward at the January meeting for implementation in September 11.
Anti-Bullying Policy	A draft version will be circulated to the committee members.	To be finalized and motion put forward at the January meeting for implementation in September 11.
Code of Ethics and Reporting a Complaint	Most people do not know how to manipulate the manual to find this information.	There needs to be a link on the ORA website to either the pages from the ORA manual or a summarized version of each section.
Duty to Report	The committee supports a membership notice being sent out to remind the membership of duty to report. This is part of the coaching clinic information, however, a membership notice would also be helpful.	
Skills Matrix	The question was raised as to whether it should be 0-4 instead of 0-10. The rationale behind the numbers for the skills matrix is that the numbers correspond to the levels provided in the	

	<p>Ringette Canada LTAD framework document and therefore the 0-4 should be kept. The second question was whether there should be a set number of skills that is consistent to every level or should there be different skills tested at each level? The rationale behind the skills that were selected for testing in September is that it allows for numbers to be understood across the age levels, allowing for greater application of the team composite scores. It will be important that there be a clear explanation to players at younger levels that they should not expect to have a high score as they have not yet developed some of the skills being tested. This method should be kept.</p>	
Skills Video	<p>Jeff Francom is looking into making the video. It will be left up to him whether the skills should be shown by level players or by highly skilled players.</p>	
Relocation Standards	<p>In Western Region there is some question as to the legitimacy of two player relocations. Membership services are going to change the relocation form to indicate that all three proofs are required so that the wording becomes and, and, and rather than or, or, or. If a player is granted a release, they will be checked on during the year to make sure that they are still residing at the new address. If they are found to be no longer living at this address, then the athlete committee would consider it to be a major infraction in the Code of Ethics and would recommend that the sanction would be suspension from any further ORA events for the season. Checking attendance record at schools could be made a policy. The onus should be on the parents to provide attendance records to maintain relocation status.</p>	<p>Policy to be drafted regarding illegal relocations.</p>
Number of AA teams as compared to number of Provincial teams in the Region	<p>In Western Region there has been an issue of players refusing to go to specific associations to play AA and are then playing A in their home association. The result is that there 2 AA teams and 10 A teams in this region. The concern is that these A teams will be much stronger than other A teams in the province due to the low number of AA teams in relation to the number of Provincial teams.</p>	<p>Look into developing a policy to regulate how many AA teams there need to be in relation to the total number of provincial teams in any given age category in a region.</p>
Adjournment	<p>Moved by Andrew Shaunessey at 9:45 p.m.</p>	