



# Committee of Rink Hockey Referees

## CRHR AGM 2019 Minutes

Attendees:

1. Karl Wilson, Steve Taylor, Peter Flint, Stephane Bauguitte, Stuart Aitken, Brian Osborne, Sante Giancola.

Apologies:

Kos Galtos, Derek Bell, Bruno Sosa, Clive Bassom, Mike Richardson, Tony Czfira, Aiden Lawler, Stewart Henderson, Chris Freeman, Marco Mota, Tony Sollars.

As there was a low attendance, as well as no regional referee officers, it was agreed that no decisions could be made and that any points would be taken to the NEC or CRHR after the AGM.

The minutes of last years AGM were read and accepted.

The Chairman's report was read and accepted.

The Accreditations report was read and accepted.

A discussion took place about regions using their own rules and that it can sometimes be confusing about what version was being used, and that these regional rules are not always clear. It was felt that everyone should be playing to the same rules, especially with the new National Leagues, and that this issue will be **brought up at the next NRHA AGM**.

The Red Card and Misconduct form was discussed, with a question being asked about the severity field, and whether it was needed. **KW to look at the form and review**.

Fines for incorrect uniform were discussed, with the main question being who gets the fine, the referee or club who provided them. Some referees are not attached to clubs. This will need more discussion nationally and regionally.

Shirts and sponsorship was mentioned, and that the CRHR will be providing clubs with 3 shirts next season, with Premier League referees getting their own if there is the budget for it.

Teams shirts clashing was mentioned, and was felt an **addition to the Interpretations** would be useful to note who should change shirts if there was a clash. It was also suggested that team shirt colours be **put on the website** or referee allocations so that clubs can plan in advance what shirts to take to games.

Another directive was requested on running team fouls just to clarify the various scenarios. **KW to add to the Interpretations**.

It was asked that each interpretation includes a reference to a rule, **KW to add**.

Cut off socks that players have started to wear was brought up. **KW to bring up in NEC meeting**.

The difference scenarios around players moving during a penalty or direct free hit were discussed. **KW to make sure the Interpretations covers each one**.

The way allocations for referees were done for national tournaments was discussed. It was felt the best way to get neutral referees would be to pay for neutral referees to attend, as Premier League. This



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would however limit the development of club referees. The way the first game of ND1 tournaments was allocated was mentioned, and **KW will be looking at this.**

KW mentioned that he had been asked to **write a "Goalkeepers Guide"** to the rules, and SA/SB mentioned that it would be good to have a version for referees who officiate junior games to have a set of official interpretations for the differences between junior and older age groups. **KW will produce this.**

After a recent incident, a question was asked around whether a coach could be replaced if the current one gets a red card. This was mainly for junior ages when there is only one coach. There is nothing in the rules at the moment that would allow this.

Clarification was sought with regards to younger players playing senior hockey. Referees have been asked to referee differently due to the age of some players. It was the feeling that younger players playing at the senior level should understand that it is senior level, and that players should not be punished because they happen to be bigger and stronger than them. **KW to bring up in NEC meetings.**

Only Karl Wilson was put forward for the role of Chairman, who was voted in with 6 votes. Karl will take on the roles of Chairman, Allocations and Accreditations, but will **seek volunteers to take the extra roles.** SG said he would be interested in helping out with Disciplinary issues, if that role was moved away from the CRHR.

Action points in **red**

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