



EMSA Covid-19 Response Committee Minutes

Thursday, February 4, 2021 @ 7:00pm

Committee members:

In attendance: Eliana Caranci (EMSA), Michelle Orsini (EMSA), Mark Locker (Tillsonburg), Dave DeBenedictis (London FC), Mark Mohammed (Alliance), Abbi Lezizidis (Whitecaps), Tom Partalas (BMO), Dave Humphrey (EMSRA), Kayla Marcoux (West End Blues), Nelson Rodrigues (LAWSL), Simon Karahalios (EMSA)

Regrets: Jenn Groen (St. Thomas), Dan Wybo (WRSL), Chris Gardiner (EMDSL)

Meeting Called to Order at 7:03pm

1. Welcoming Remarks by Michelle Orsini

2. EMSA Report:

- Eliana: Went over the OS survey results (please refer to <https://www.ontariosoccer.net/page/show/5789002-return-to-play-survey>)

3. Committee Initiative Updates:

- Eliana (Survey Monkey): Shared working copy and welcomed several edits from committee members; Survey going to EMSA members, not families/parents;

ACTION ITEM: All committee members review survey and send any ideas/thoughts no later than Feb. 11th

ACTION ITEM ELIANA & DAVE H: Implement suggestion edits and create a working copy in Survey Monkey ideally getting the survey out and completed by members before our next meeting.

- Michelle (COVID Relief): OS does not have any funding available; heard back from municipal councillor and they have nothing available; did not hear back from provincial level; Basically the only assistance that was suggested was government small business COVID relief

- Kayla: Individual clubs could consider GoFundMe?

4. Group Discussion:

a) Considerations for RTP Outdoor:

- Eliana: Asking the group what they think about the document and if it should be sent out to all members

- Kayla: will email to give any feedback

- Abbi & Michelle: Very detailed, looks great, send to everyone

b) Ontario Soccer RTP



c) Mentorship Initiative

- Eliana: Looking for mentorship from clubs that have a good handle on RTP procedures
- Mark: Will check in with his club if anyone can offer that mentorship

4. Round Table

- Tom: Just in a holding pattern; waiting to hear where we will end up once State of Emergency ends; prepared to give refunds that are pro-rated
- Abbi: Shared document from city regarding the city fields; they will not book or prepare fields unless we enter Orange (only grass is cut prior to entering Orange)
- Dave H: Shared education available for match officials, several sessions available into March; including March 3 session for perspective match officials "So You Want To Be A Referee"
- Eliana: Suggested a link to match official education available and possibly a memo

7. Meeting adjourned by Eliana at 8:05pm.