

LESI Operational Risk Committee Notes
9/1/20

Attendance via Zoom:

Sarah Tobin
Braden Burns
Kirtis Huelsman
Nathan Phillips
Stacey Aroney
Heidi Gullett

Also in Attendance:

Kristin MacPhail

Public health update:

- More testing for kids appears to be coming available to help with cluster/outbreak investigations
- Need to put out statement of how clubs can help with contact tracing

Heidi will briefly write up info about teams needing to assist with contact tracing – need to be able to tell LHDs which coaches/swimmers are in lanes/at practices where a case has been identified. *See below*

Possible language:

- The operational risk committee recommends that LESI clubs ensure they have accurate records of coaches and swimmers in attendance at each practice in order to assist local health departments with contact tracing in the event that a positive case is identified. It is also helpful for teams to create draft language for notification of families and team staff when a positive case has occurred on the team. The local health department will most likely lead contact tracing, however detailed information from the club will be vital in ensuring this can occur quickly in order to reduce the risk of spreading the infection.

Thoughts on competition after 10/1:

- Nathan: will need to really enforce NPIs/mitigation efforts esp if we go ahead with meets; what does that look like, esp with capacity levels? Concern for others not adhering to safety practices (attending parties, etc) and then exposing other athletes who are focused on safety.
- Sarah: How will contact tracing work? Is it unfair to start competition for clubs that are not practicing right now?
- Kirtis: Important to explore how we can create some competition opportunities
- Stacey: Need to ensure everyone is adequately following public health guidance; concerns some may not consistently follow, esp as guidance frequently changes

- Review of OHSAA sport-specific guidance
- Others: need to follow all guidance of LHD where meet is being held
- Branden: Should moratorium continue past 10/1 date?
 - Can we run meets and do them safely with our guidance?
- Branden shared Lori Baylor's perspective

Sarah recommends we move forward as all committee members have shared their perspectives. What guidance should we be sharing beyond the LHD and ODH recommendations?

- Only those within our LSC can compete.
- Teams from other LSCs need to find pools in their own LSC.
- Focus on risk mitigation.
- Focus on teams/clubs needing to consider local context and current just-in-time public health data to determine if meet should be held in addition to adhering to best practices for risk mitigation.
- Use of educational video with best practices, use of COVID marshals, etc.

Motion:

- Branden: Allow the moratorium to sunset on 10/1/20
- Kirtis: seconded
- Discussion as above
- 5:1 vote to move forward with motion

Next action: Talk with technical planning

- Many issues to consider – ex no 25s → cannot obtain masks
- Meets should not have 25s, other considerations
- Wave sanction fees with board? Continue with sanction fee, surcharge, COVID surcharge?
- Stacey – create 2 Google docs and operational risk committee can brainstorm ideas
 - Requirements/recommendations for hosting re: health and safety → lessons learned from intrasquad meets
 - COVID marshal spectator; COVID marshal deck → enforcer, not a “friend”
 - Each team brings own COVID marshal too
 - COVID director for meet in addition to safety director if multiple teams in attendance
 - Technical planning
 - Limiting events – no 25s
 - Limiting # teams
 - Hour/time limits?