



Amalgamation FAQ

Q1. What is the purpose of Amalgamation?

To create a cohesive new hockey association that will allow hockey to thrive in both communities.

To provide the opportunity for players to compete at the appropriate skill and age level.

To create one association that has competitive hockey at all age levels, while providing an opportunity for players to move up to advanced levels.

Q2. What is the role of the Amalgamation Committee?

To facilitate the Amalgamation of all 3 centers into a new organization, including coaching, development, and hockey administration.

To ensure a balance of responsibility for the new Organization across all levels of hockey.

To ensure a smooth transition of all the centers into the new organization.

Q3. What level will the Rep hockey Program play?

Should amalgamation pass the new center will provide all levels of Rep hockey from AAA, AA, A, AE, etc.

Q4. How will this affect House League Hockey?

House League Players will be combined to form various teams and divisions making one strong house league program. We also anticipate that since we will have strong numbers and divisions, we would expect to see select hockey being offered at all divisions.

Q5. How will coaches be selected?

A coach selection committee will consist of the General Manager and board members from each association. Candidates will be presented to the board for final approval. The best candidates at each level will be selected. AAA coaches have already been selected for the upcoming season and they will remain in place post



amalgamation. AAA coach selection is required much earlier than other levels and as such a separate coach selection committee will be required. All coaches must be approved by the board.

Q6. What happens after the amalgamation vote?

If the vote is YES by all centers, the Amalgamation committee will handle the interim executive duties until the new organization is set up and the new executive is in place. Each respective organization will operate individually thru the end of the hockey season and dissolve at their AGM'S in 2022. Assets and Liabilities of either association will become part of the new organization.

Q7. What will the new Board of Directors look like?

The new board will consist of CO-Presidents one (existing) from Pickering and one from Ajax (existing). One president will serve 2 years and that position will be eliminated following the 2-year term. The second CO-President will serve a 3-year term and be up for election at the respective AGM. Should one president resign prior to the term, the organization will revert to one president. For consistency the new board will consist of 2 existing board members from Pickering, 2 existing board members from Ajax and 2 existing board members from the A/P Raiders. Board positions will be a 2-year term expiring in odd or even years to be determined. Post amalgamation all board members will act in the best interest of the new organization.

Q8. How are the LOR boundaries effected?

Since all centers are part of the LOR, there will be no change.

Q9. Will there be a meeting or any presentations?

Each association will hold a special meeting of the members to discuss the amalgamation and the benefits of combining the organizations.

Q10. Does the membership vote on the amalgamation?

Yes, the final decision is up to each respective membership by vote at a special meeting of the members.

Q11. Will the fees go up to participate in the new amalgamated association?

We do not anticipate any fee increases other than inflationary increases such as ice costs, OMHA fees insurance etc.



Q12. How will the new association deal with age groups once combined have enough players to form 2 teams at specific levels?

We have approached the OMHA on this issue and they confirmed it would be possible to have 2 teams at some levels should player numbers justify 2 teams (example – 2X 'AA' teams at U11 or 2X 'A' teams at U13 , these are just examples)