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## MONDAY NOVEMBER 9, 2009

**7:30** Registration and Continental Breakfast

**8:30** Welcome by Conference Chairs

Brian Burke, President and General Manager — Toronto Maple Leafs

Trevor Whiffen, Partner — Aylesworth LLP, Governor — London Knights

8:40 Introduction and Opening Remarks – James Duthie Host of the NHL on TSN

8:45 Franchise Re-locations: Who decides when a franchise can move, and what are the legal and economic considerations

**Moderator:** Trevor Whiffen

Brian Burke, President and General Manager — Toronto Maple Leafs

Bill Daly, Deputy Commissioner — National Hockey League

Clark Griffith, Commissioner — Northern Baseball League

**Jeff Pash,** Executive Vice President and General Counsel National Football League

**9:45** Creative Marketing Strategies and Alternative Revenue Streams: How to grow your revenue base and increase sponsorships

David Ballingall, Vice President of Marketing — Rogers SportsNet

**Josh Epstein,** Manager of Sponsorship and Olympic Marketing Royal Bank of Canada

**Dave Hopkinson,** Senior Vice President, Corporate and Community Partnerships — Maple Leaf Sports and Entertainment

Bernie Mullin, Principal — The Aspire Group

## **10:45** Networking / Refreshment Break

11:00 Player Associations: Navigating salary caps, arbitrations, grievances, free agency, and player rights

**Richard Berthelsen**, General Counsel National Football League Players Association

**Don Fehr,** (Invited) Executive Director Major League Baseball Players Association

**Ron Klempner**, Associate Counsel — NBA Players Association

Larry Landon, Executive Director — Professional Hockey Players' Association

lan Penny, (Invited) General Counsel National Hockey League Players' Association

12:15 Networking Luncheon – Guest Speaker Brian Burke, President and General Manager Toronto Maple Leafs

1:45 Broadcast News and the Media: Attracting new properties, controlling expenditures and maximizing media opportunities

**Moderator: John Shannon**, Television Broadcast Executive

**Doug Beeforth, President — Rogers SportsNet** 

Rick Brace, President of Revenue, Business Planning and Sports — CTV

Nelson Millman, General Manager — The Fan 590

**Scott Moore**, Director — CBC Sports

**2:45** Drug Testing: Educating leagues, teams and players on the signs, symptoms and possible consequences

George Atallah, Assistant Executive Director of External Affairs National Football League Players Association

Tony Mandarich, President — Mandarich Media Group LLC

Paul Melia, President and CEO — Canadian Centre for Ethics in Sports

Dr. Paul Piccininni, International Ice Hockey Federation — Medical Committee

**3:45** Networking / Refreshment Break

**4:00** Competing with the Giants: Holding your own financially in the crowded sports marketplace

**Moderator: Tom Whaley,** Vice President Business Development St. Paul Saints Professional Baseball Club

Tom Anselmi, Executive Vice President
Maple Leaf Sports and Entertainment and Toronto FC

Scott Mitchell, President — Hamilton Tiger-Cats

**Bob Nicholson, President — Toronto Argonauts** 

**Brad Watters**, President — Toronto Rock Lacrosse Club

**5:15** Conference Adjourns for the Day

5:15 - 6:15 Delegate/Speaker Wine and Cheese Reception

## TUESDAY NOVEMBER 10, 2009

7:45 Continental Breakfast

8:30 Opening Remarks

Brian Burke, President and General Manager — Toronto Maple Leafs

Trevor Whiffen, Partner – Aylesworth LLP, Governor – London Knights

**8:45** The Commissioners Roundtable: Charting a critical path for the next ten years

**Moderator: Clark Griffith, Commissioner – Northern Baseball League** 

**Dave Andrews,** President and Chief Executive Officer American Hockey League

**David Branch**, President

Canadian Hockey League, Commissioner Ontario Hockey League

Mark Cohon, Commissioner — Canadian Football League

**George Daniel**, Commissioner — National Lacrosse League

**9:45** Building Your Brand: Innovative strategies for raising product awareness and increasing your market share

Chris Lencheski, Owner — SKI Motorsports — NASCAR

Mike Ouellet, Chief of Business Affairs National Hockey League Players' Association

Dan Quinn, Managing Director — NFL Canada

**Graeme Roustan, Chairman — Bauer Hockey** 

## 10:45 Networking / Refreshment Break

11:00 Team Operations: Growing franchise values in a world of multi-sport competition, revenue challenges, and financial re-structuring

**Moderator: Matt Devlin, (Invited) Toronto Raptors** 

Brian Burke, President and General Manager — Toronto Maple Leafs

**Bryan Colangelo**, President and General Manager — Toronto Raptors

**Jim Devellano**, Vice President — Detroit Tigers and Detroit Red Wings

Peter Luukko, President and CEO

Philadelphia 76ers and Philadelphia Flyers

Richard Peddie, President and CEO

Maple Leaf Sports and Entertainment

12:15 Networking Luncheon – Guest Speaker Richard Peddie, President and CEO Maple Leaf Sports and Entertainment

**1:45** Legal Issues in the World of Sports: Protecting your league, teams and players in a litigious environment

**Moderator: Trevor Whiffen** 

**Don Baizley, Partner** — Thompson Dorfman

**Steven Fehr**, Outside Counsel — MLBPA Partner — Jolley Walsh Hurley Raisher

Peter Gall, Partner — Heenan Blaikie

Gordon Kirke Q.C., Sports Lawyer and Professor

**2:45** Athlete Evaluations: Predicting which players will help your team long after Draft Day

**John Ferguson**, Director of Pro Scouting — San Jose Sharks

EJ McGuire, Director of Central Scouting — National Hockey League

Dana Sinclair, Partner — Human Performance International

**3:45** Networking / Refreshment Break

4:00 Player Agents Roundtable: Getting the best deal for your player in the face of salary caps, shrinking revenues, and restrictions on player movement

**Moderator: Dr. Lynn Lashbrook,** President Sports Management Worldwide

Anthony Agnone, Certified National Football League Player Agent Eastern Athletics

Randy Hendricks, Athlete Representative Hendricks Sports Management

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5:15 Conference Ends

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Day One: 7:30 am. Registration, 8:30 am. Opening Remarks,

**Cancellation and Substitutions** 

5:15 pm. Delegate / Speaker Wine and Cheese Reception

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## **Date & Times** November 9 - 10, 2009

Day Two: 7:45 am. Continental Breakfast,

8:30 am. Opening Remarks, 5:15 pm. Conference Ends

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