

Medicine Hat Minor Hockey Association
Meeting of the Board of Directors
Monday, November 14, 2016
5:30pm – Arena Social Room

Present:

Brad Irvine	Chad Schulz	Jason Prosofsky	Donna Schlosser
Joel Macaulay	Mark Parsons	Mike Grunwald	Sandi Martin
Kris Schultz	Byron Hall	Kelly Mortlock	Donna Dworschak
Kenzie Liefso	Terrence Schultz	Chris Wyrostok	Jeff Klick
Curtis Presber	Nick Douvis		

Absent:

Dylan Hodgson Ashley Christianson

1) Call to Order:

Meeting called to order at 5:31 pm

2) Adoption of Agenda:

MOTION: Kenzie Liefso

SECOND: Mike Grunwald

CARRIED

3) Minutes from October 11, 2016:

MOTION: Terrence Schultz

SECOND: Kris Schultz

CARRIED

4) Referee Association:

Jeff Klick reported that the mentorship program for Novice/Atom is going well. They have been at approximately 20 games. Feedback has been good. For novice tournaments and up they would like a 3 man ref system.

5) General Manager Report:

Rogers Hometown Hockey is getting close – March 3rd to 5th, 2017. Servus Credit Union is going to provide 5 volunteers for this event as well as Mike Welford's company DNow. There is a possibility of a Police/Fireman vs Medicine Hat Tigers alumni game on the Friday night. Trevor Linden will be in town. Black and Blue with an ice cold brew has some additional sponsors: Earls, Trackside liquor and Moxies. New Equipment coordinator is Karla Schultz.

New MHMHA Logo will be going on new apparel.

There is a Hockey Canada coaches' app with information on nutrition, sleep, practise planning. We as an association have a code to access this program and then it would cost a coach \$20.00. Office would reimburse coaches for the cost. Recommend that we offer this to the coaches. It was mentioned that this is also offered to a coach for free when they complete coaching level courses.

Displayed a coaches clip board & white board, comes in various sizes and costs. Possibility as a gift or something we provide to all coaches.

Looking at doing a mid-season (January) evaluations form for players (skating, offensive play, defensive play, etc.) Timbit levels and up. This would help with the yearend assessment of the players.

6) Financial Report – Joel Macaulay:

Not much to report, we are starting to get in some ice bills.

Actual versus budget is trending where he thought it would be.

We need \$75K in sponsorship, Fundraising events will offset the decline in donations that we need.

Power skating is back into the budget as it is part of the team schedule.

Direct operation cost per division will be looked at, a committee was formed: Kenzie, Joel and Nick.

7) Directors Reports:

Timbit/Timbit Sr. – see attached report.

Novice 7 – Division is good, skills and power skating sessions are well liked.

Goalie clinics have been well attended. P3 has had good feedback from both sides.

Novice 8 – games have been competitive, all teams have won at least one game.

Teams like the full ice and would like more. Some complaints about the early ice times. Six teams, all coaches are in place. Good feedback for P3 program. Would like to see defensive skills clinics in the future. Teams like that power skating is included in their regular ice schedule.

Atom A – report attached.

Atom B – One team is still outstanding with their coach qualifications, in place to have this done by the deadline. The games between the teams are close.

Peewee city league – Two teams need coaches to get their qualifications complete. Shiny is well attended. There has been an issue with goalie clinics being on the same night as practises. It has been mentioned by some teams that there is too much practise time, want more games.

Peewee AA/CAHL – Held their tournament, went well.

Bantam city league – report attached.

Bantam CAHL – nothing to report.

Midget CAHL – nothing to report.

Female Program – report attached.

Bauer First Shift – report attached.

CAHL Liaison – absent.

Tournaments – Going well, lots of teams wanting to get into our tournaments.

Game and Conduct – report attached.

8) Office Administration:

Nothing to report

9) New Business:

a) Shiny Ice and Ice Deadlines – deadline for schedules is confusing, will remove the 7 days' notice from the form. Need to stick to the deadlines.

Shiny Ice has worked well, have had a few sit empty as they were not picked up by anyone.

b) Atom A Teddy Bear Toss, exhibition game – they had a successful teddy bear toss last year, between the two teams playing. Would like MHMHA to cover the ice cost, which is \$325.00 to host the game.

MOTION: by Mark Parsons for MHMHA to subsidize the cost of the ice for the Atom A teddy bear toss.

SECOND: Jason Prosofosky

CARRIED

c) Police Information Check – coaches will be reimbursed if done online. Hockey Alberta is moving to having this done on a yearly basis, mhmma to follow suit. Going forward it is mandatory that all coaches get a criminal record check and child welfare check done yearly. The deadline to have the completed check done and into the office is January 15th. Any coach not complying is not allowed on the bench after this date. Brad Irvine will do up a letter and send it out to all the directors to forward on to the coaches.

d) Canadian Tire/Bauer First Shift – the extra 6 ice times that are to be offered after Christmas are not included in the cost of registration.

MOTION: by Kelly Mortlock for MHMHA to subsidize the cost of the Canadian/Bauer First Shift January-February 2017 (6) ice slots.

SECOND: Mike Grunwald

CARRIED

Medicine Hat News did not cover the sign up event, nor did they show up to the first ice time even though they were contacted.

10) Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 7:06 pm

11) In Camera was held.

Next Meeting – MONDAY – December 12, 2016 – 5:30 pm at Paradise Valley Golf Course

Director's Reports

1. **Atom A** – Submitted by Mark Parsons
 - Season going well
 - Majority of games are close and competitive
 - One issue for Game and Conduct
2. **Bantam City League** – Submitted by Dylan Hodgson
 - Division is running smoothly
 - Games are reportedly quite competitive
 - 5 coaching groups working well together
 - Feedback thus far has been positive
 - Plan is for a Christmas Break from December 23rd – January 5th
 - One issue for Game and Conduct
3. **Female Program** – Submitted by Kelly Mortlock
 - Up to this point, all Wildcat Teams are doing well in all divisions
 - Ongoing efforts to continue to grow the program
 - Will look at ways and means to bring all girls together
4. **Bauer First Shift** – Submitted by Kelly Mortlock
 - Program is up and running
 - Launch was very successful
 - Special thanks to office staff for assistance in launch of the program
 - Plans are underway to publicize the program in print media.
 - Invitation to Medicine Hat News to cover program on November 12th was declined by the news.
 - Have received e-mail interest re: next round of the program Fall 2017
5. **Game and Conduct** – Submitted by Chris Wyrstok
 - **Atom A** – Coach was suspended 2 games for verbal abuse of an opposing player
 - **Bantam City League** – Parent was suspended for 2 months for grabbing a player.