



MINOR HOCKEY

Medicine Hat Minor Hockey Association
Meeting of the Board of Directors
Tuesday, August 7th, 2018
5:30 PM – Kinplex Social Room



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Board of Directors		
Name	Position / Division	Present
Brad Irvine	President	<input type="checkbox"/>
Byron Hall	Vice President / Atom	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Joel Macaulay	Treasurer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Kris Schultz	General Manager	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Kenzie Liefso	Game & Conduct	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Curtis Presber	Novice Minor Director	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Chad Schulz	Novice Major Director	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kelly Kurpjuweit	Atom Director	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mark Parsons	Peewee City Director	<input type="checkbox"/>
Nick Douvis*	Bantam City Director	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Dylan Hodgson*	Midget City Director	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Terrance Schultz	Rep Director	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kelly Mortlock	Female Director	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Jordan Kienzle*	CAHL Director	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Donna Schlosser	Ice Coordinator	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Denotes present at the meeting

*Not present for entire meeting

1. Call to Order

Byron Hall called the meeting to order at 5:39 pm.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Byron Hall added the following items:

7.d. Atom Motion – Kelly Kurpjuweit.

7.e. Date change for upcoming meetings. - Jordan Kienzle

Dylan Hodgson moved to adopt the agenda with modifications. The motion was seconded by Joel Macaulay.

Motion carried, none opposed.

3. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meetings

a. Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors on May 1, 2018 were circulated to the Board of Directors for review. Byron Hall called for any revisions to the meeting minutes, no revisions were requested.

Kenzie Liefso moved to adopt the minutes of previous meeting held April 3, 2018. Motion was seconded by Kelly Kurpjuweit.

Motion carried, none opposed.

- b. Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors on June 5, 2018 were circulated to the Board of Directors for review. Byron Hall called for any revisions to the meeting minutes, no revisions were requested.

Curtis Presber moved to adopt the minutes of previous meeting held April 3, 2018. Motion was seconded by Dylan Hodgson.

Motion carried, none opposed.

4. G.M. Report - Information Sharing – Kris Schultz

Kris Schultz, Kelly Mortlock and Byron Hall met regarding female hockey structure. The following resulted from the meeting:

- Pee wee travel team will be a tryout team, players who don't make it will be moved to Atom.
- Atom travel team was created. Players that don't make the travel team will play on a house team.
- Novice Minor female team will remain.

Reported apparent growth in the association based on registered numbers August 1 from previous years:

<u>Hockey Season</u>	<u>Registered as of Aug. 1</u>
2014/15	716
2015/16	720
2016/17	751
2017/18	737
2018/19	806

Kris Schultz, Brent Sauer were among 11 representatives from SEAC to attend a zone meeting. The representatives addressed financials, billeting, and coaching. 10 members of the public attended the meeting. There was only one question, "Are we going to have two Pee wee AA teams?" It was answered that we are not getting a second team this season.

Kris Schultz is taking five coaches to an Elite Coaching presentation in Edmonton. He feels it is important to attend these events to show Hockey AB how serious we are about getting our Midget AAA team back.

Approximately 80 kids are scheduled to tryout for Pee wee AA. The Pee wee AA coach has not been named Kris is working on getting a non-parent coach in place for this team. Coaches have been named for all other AAA / AA teams.

A new employee, Kallie Bauck, has started with the office Administration team to fill Donna Dworschak's vacancy.

Equipment Update

Jerseys are all in, we still have three sets of rep jerseys to work through. There is a new rep team sock design. Socks have not been ordered for house teams. Coaches will be given puck bags with 25 pucks which will be their responsibility and will not be replenished over the season. Karla Schultz will handle the equipment handout again this year. Divisions will be scheduled at set times for equipment pickup at which time the team representative will sign for the equipment and be informed of the cost of each item should equipment not be returned.

Donna Schlosser reported the Canalta has not released their ice schedule yet but block planning has been completed for other rinks. P3 weekend has been scheduled as have most goalie skill sessions.

5. Financials

Joel Macauley went over the latest financial reports and made the following comments.

- No real expenses to date as the season hasn't started.
- A draft budget will be provided at the next meeting after Joel has a chance to meet with the MHMHA administration staff.
- Reported no concerns with the current financials.

6. Old business

a. Skill Sessions Tender

Byron Hall reported Platinum Star was awarded the Timbits / Novice power skating program contract and Performance Edge was awarded the Atom skills sessions contract.

7. New Business

a. Tryout and Evaluations Document 18/19 Season.

The attached document was circulated and discussed. Kenzie Liefso moved to release the document to the membership. The motion was seconded by Nick Douvis.

Motion carried, none opposed.

b. Criminal Record Checks

Nick Douvis moved the Police Checks and Child Welfare checks be valid for a two year period. The cut off for Valid Police Information Checks and Intervention Record Checks will be November 15. The motion was seconded by Kelly Mortlock

Motion carried, none opposed.

c. CAHL Governor(s) 18/19 season

Jordon Kienzle reported CAHL requires MHMHA to declare two CAHL governors for our eight CAHL teams. CAHL governors run a division and report to the CAHL director, former managers make the best candidates.

Byron Hall moved to fill these spots with one name from our top tier Peewee CAHL team and one name from the top tier Bantam CAHL team once declared. Motion was seconded by Kenzie Liefso.

Motion carried, none opposed.

- d. Kelly Kurpjuweit proposed a motion to let kids from our neighboring associations in Redcliff and Irvine try out for our top tier Atom team. The board agreed and felt a motion wasn't required as there was no rule in effect preventing this.

- e. Jordon Kienzle asked the MHMHA meetings be moved to the second Tuesday of each month as CAHL meetings take place on the first Tuesday of each month. The board agreed to the date change MHMHA to look at rebooking the meeting room.

8. Adjournment

Kenzie Liefso moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:17pm, motion was seconded by Jordon Kienzle.

Motion carried, none opposed.

9. In Camera Discussion

Next Meeting: September 11, 2018 – 5:30 pm – Kinplex Social Room



Competitive Evaluation Information

- 1) Once registered to try out for a specific team a player shall remain on that team until such time they are released from, the evaluation process. Upon release, they will try out for the next ranked team. (AAA-AA-CAHL-City League).
- 2) Options available once registered for a try out are as follows:
 - a. Player earns a roster spot on the team.
 - b. Player is released from the evaluation process and begins the process again for the next ranked team
 - c. Player is released and subsequently affiliated to the team. (Affiliation process may unfold over a matter of weeks, and follows parameters as laid out by Hockey Alberta and MHMHA). Players can only affiliate to teams they have tried out for. The exception to this would be if a family moves to town after the try out process has ended, a player who missed the try out process due to injury, and in the case of Bantam AAA players being affiliated to the M15's as they would not have been permitted to try out due to age restrictions.
- 3) Any player choosing to quit the team they were placed on, will not be released to the next ranked team. If a player secures a roster spot on a team, and a decision is made by the player or their family to not play on said team, the player will be released to the city league and will take part in evaluations for such. For example, if you participate in the evaluation process and earn a spot on the Bantam AA roster, and decide not to play at that level, player will be released to the MHMHA City League, they will not be released to participate in CAHL evaluations. Similarly, if a player participates in try outs and earns a spot on the Bantam AAA team, and decides not to play, they will be released to MHMHA City League, not to the Bantam AA team. This applies to all competitive teams, no matter the level. If a player makes a CAHL team and decides not to play, they will be released to MHMHA city league, not the next tiered CAHL team (if there is one.) Players who decline their placement in city league will be given an outright and indefinite release from MHMHA.
- 4) Any concerns with any decisions or outcomes made during the evaluation process must be submitted in writing to the appropriate division director. Only written submissions will be examined and all submissions must be signed; anonymous submissions will be discarded. Medicine Hat Minor Hockey has a zero tolerance of abuse, harassment, and bullying. Any

egregious behavior, verbal harassment, baseless allegations or abuse of any member of MHMHA, including but not limited to its volunteer board of directors, and paid staff will not be tolerated. Furthermore, there is a complaint procedure that must be adhered to for any member wishing to file a formal complaint.

5) The division director, GM and coaching staffs of teams are responsible for the evaluation of players participating in the evaluation process. A team of Evaluators independent of the team and division being evaluated will be assembled by the Division Director and GM. The assembled team of evaluators will not have any pre-existing ties to the team or division being evaluated.

6) Upon completion of the evaluation skates and games, the evaluators will present their data, findings, assessment results and recommendations to the Division Director and head coach. Results will not be made public. The head coach will be presented with the top ranked players emerging from the evaluation process who will be placed on the team automatically, which will include the top 6 forwards, top 4 defenseman and top goaltender as determined by the team of evaluators. Following that, the head coach will be given the latitude to select the remainder of their team. However, selections must be made from the next ranked players as determined by the team of evaluators, i.e. head coach will be presented with the next ranked 6 forwards, 4 defense, and 2 goaltenders from which to complete the roster. While AAA and AA teams may select rosters up to the maximum allowed by Hockey Alberta, CAHL teams from our association typically have 9 forwards, 6 defense and 2 goaltenders.

7) All resident members of MHMHA shall begin the tryout process within their resident association, i.e. Medicine Hat.

8) As an association we work closely with our neighboring associations (in particular Redcliff Minor Hockey and Irvine Minor Hockey) to assist in filling out their rosters for their competitive teams. However, this is completely incumbent on the viability of our internal city league and those associations having roster spots to fill. If a neighboring association approaches our association seeking assistance in filling a roster the process is as follows:

a. As noted, MHMHA players must start the try out process in their home association.

b. Players are not eligible for a second try out in a neighboring association until such time that the MHMHA evaluation process is complete and said player has been released from our lowest tiered competitive team.

c. If a neighboring association is seeking additional players to complete a roster at a given age division, they will approach MHMHA and inform us of such. At the completion of our evaluation process the released players names and contact information will be provided to the accepting association. The accepting association, in turn, will contact players if additional roster spots need to be filled.