



Medicine Hat Minor Hockey
Meeting of the Board of Directors
Wednesday, August 11, 2021

Attendance

Executive Committee

Byron Hall, President
Kim Weiss, Vice President
Alicia Doud, Treasurer
NIA
Dan Kitching, Secretary
Troy Sandau, Coach/Player Development

Operating Coordinators

Kyle Jarvis, U11 Travel
Spencer Schutte, U13 Travel
Kevin Kurtz, U9/U7 Initiation
Nola Besplug, Goalie Development
NIA
Mike Bahr, U11 City
Nikki Bateman, U15
Jordan, Kienzle, CAHL

Directors

Nick Douvis, City Hockey
Nola Besplug, Health and Safety
Derek Harvey-Zenk, Female Hockey – Travel
Andy Motz, Female Hockey – City
Erin Greggains, Game and Contact
Blair Velichko, Travel Hockey

Staff

Chad Baron, Hockey Ops Manager
Chad Nelson, Ice Scheduler

Particulars

1. **Call to order**- Meeting called to order at 6:10 pm by President Bryon Hall
 - a. Members in attendance– none

2. **Adoption of Agenda**
 - Add U18 City to agenda item 10, move current agenda item 10 to 11
 - *Motion to adopt Kevin Kurtz*
 - *2nd Erin Greggains*

3. **Adoption of Minutes**
 - June Minutes
 - *Motion: Derek Harvey - Zenk*
 - *2nd Kim Weiss*

REPORTS AND INFORMATION

4. **Financials – Alicia Doud**
 - a. **Treasure report** - Alicia presented a rough draft of annual budget for discussion.

Kim Weiss made a motion to simplify development by combining all coach development, player development and evaluation expenses under one umbrella - Hockey Operation Development for Chad with a budget of \$42,000.00.

- *2nd Nick Douvis*
- *Vote: Passed unanimously*

5. Office Report – Alicia Doud

Registration continues and is always the busiest time of the year. A few unexpected hiccups are causing more stress on the office than usual.

- Hockey Alberta is focusing on registrants' zone areas, investigating PO Box and land addresses for registrations. 42 of MHMH registrants have been notified that they are required to produce 3 pcs of address proof.
- Numerous phone calls and upset parents are calling the office, they are forwarding registrants to proper zoning (Redcliff, Irvine).
- AAA forms are wrong and required to be done again. Sandi has been trying to reach all players to have revised forms sent in.
- The board has asked Alicia to inquire what assistance they require, ie: seasonal support, work additional hours etc.

Sandi continually looks for grants available for the association and has applied for \$5000.00 grant from Servus.

Sandi has bingos set up for the near future and is volunteering for them.

6. Hockey Operations Report - Chad Baron

- Chad is now a HC certified skills coach – This is a great asset and resource for our association. Minor hockey, Hockey Ab & Hockey Canada promote Chad with these credentials.
- Street hockey tournament showed little interest, and has been cancelled until some time in June.
- July checking clinic went over well. There were enough registrants to support 2 groups. The next clinic already has 15 participants
- Skills and conditioning Camps are available for all levels in August. Registration for is linked on the website.

- As mentioned before, we are down an ice surface, as such there are numerous challenges and changes made opposed to scheduling, we are used to seeing/having.
 - Ice – moving back to 1hr opposed to 1hr 15min
 - Evaluations will be starting much earlier in the day (7am starts)
 - The city is requiring Minor Hockey to use all available ice times to show a need for another surface, MH is the only association using City ice that is required to sacrifice and adjust to less ice. Skating Clubs, Ringette, SAHA, Sledge and the like are all still offered their prime ice. Again, the city wants Minor hockey to use all allotted ice times first to show another surface is required. These ice times are less than prime slots (6am weekdays etc.) that no other association's are required to use. Byron does have a meeting with the city to discuss.
- Chad will be holding Pre-evaluation meetings for parents as there is lots of information to relay. Date, time and location TBA

7. Pre-Season Director/Coordinator Planning Q&A

- a) Goalie Development – Plan attached
- b) Health and Safety - Plan Attached
- c) Travel Hockey – New position to the Board, Main component of position will be a liaison between SEAC and MHMH. Communication has been good.

BUSINESS ITEMS

8. MOU & Bylaw Update – Byron Hall/Kim Weiss

- Signing of the MOU between MHMHA and SEAC was delayed due to SEAC Board member changes. This will be signed by next meeting as their Board is now in place.
- Player Movement Agreements were sent out to Irvine, Redcliff and Bow Island, Redcliff's has been signed and completed, it is expected that Irvine and Bow Island will be in by next meeting.
- Bylaws- the 3 required corrections were made, and they Bylaws are complete and awaiting final approval from The Societies Act. This is a very large agenda item that is now completed!

9. Outside Association Skill and Goalie Session Rates- Nola Besplug

- Nola inquired on outside associations (Redcliff, Irvine, Brooks, Bassano etc.) participate in Skill sessions. It was board decision to continue

acceptance for any skill development clinics pending availability. MHMH Goaltenders will take precedence over spots available.

- Outside association members will not receive the MHMH member discount.

10. U18 City Request – Nick Douvis

A request was made to the board by Nick Douvis, City Hockey Director, to use incentives (such as extend early bird registration to September 15th) to boost U18 registrant numbers -if necessary. This extension would allow for dual athletes (football) to finish their season and join league 2 weeks late. Currently registration sits 6 under necessary members to run this division. The board granted this request for the City Director to use what means necessary to ensure they hit the target numbers to run U18 City.

11. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:54pm

- *Motion* – Derek Harvey-Zenk
- *2nd* Erin Greggains

Next Meeting Wednesday September 8, 2021