



Meeting Minutes - September 21, 2022

Attendees: Cobi Grisack, Jeff Fleisher, Darryl Nielsen, Shaina Snyder, Elysa Loree, Jaclyn Lantz, Kim Knittig, Erica Wollen, Cam Tolley, Natasha Macdonald, Dean Nielsen, Chance Leil, Bobbie Stewart, Jen Postma, Robbi Spady, Luke Watts

A. Jeff called meeting to order at 7:01 PM

B. Determination of quorum (4 Executive + 5 Committee) - achieved

C. Chance moved draft minutes for 08172022 meeting be accepted as written

D. Shaina moved agenda be accepted as written

D. Reports of the Executive Directors

1. President

- Evaluations - in full swing, U15 games start tonight, U13 games start friday and U18 skills start Sunday. Still waiting on olds for info on which players will make U15 AA, U18 AA - should have info on Sunday

2. Vice President

- Coaching Development - Would like to possibly see some coaching development options open to RMAA coaches
 - Ice hockey systems is one on-line program that is a good resource. Cost is \$400 per year to have access to the entire suite and offers some great information.

Discussion ensued:

Darryl used this last year and really like what it had to offer. Carstairs paid for their coaches to have access as well. Perhaps we could join up with Carstairs and combine numbers to get the program at lower cost or at least share costs.

Dean moved we add up to \$600 to budget for the Ice hockey system and research options regarding the sharing the cost of the program with Carstairs.

3. Treasurer

- \$242,040.92
- Insurance - had to look into insurance for contents for Town Of Didsbury as they require all organizations to carry "tenant/contents insurance". Town of Carstairs is also requiring same. Westland Insurance (via Toden Group) quoted \$711 for \$1000 deductible.
 - \$2,000,000 liability/ \$40,000 contents (jersey replacement would be \$35,000)/ \$25,000 transportation/ sewer back up (deductible increases to \$10,000 policy).
 - Town would like certificate of insurance required by end of September.

Discussion ensued. Is there the possibility of combining the insurance with Carstairs Minor Hockey? Should we obtain another quote for comparison?

Cam moved we add \$800 addition for insurance be added to budget, obtain a 2nd quote, find out if policy can be combined with Carstairs with increase in contents coverage and get policy taken care of. Carried.

- Per last meeting, checked into GIC options
 - 1yr , 18 mo, 24 mo non-redeemable 2.5%, redeemable 2.0%
 - we have \$80,000 to move into higher interest savings of some kind

Shaina moved to invest in ATB two \$40,000 (\$80,000 total) from our general account into two 1 year non-reemable GIC's from our general account. Carried.

- Ref fees have increased this year by \$2 per game
- Team bank accounts - There is one inactive (4yrs) U13 account with about \$100 in it - we can reactivate or close acct. We also need an additional U18 account since we have three U18 teams this year but unfortunately cannot just change the inactive U13 to U18.

Shaina moved we re-activate the U13 account and leave in case it is needed in future as well as create a new account for the U18C team. Carried.

4. Registrar

- U15 -injured players plus a couple others in Olds system for AA tryouts - regular season starts Friday so should know fairly soon.
- U15 (7 goalies)
- may be short goalies in U18 so could possibly have one goalie move up from U15
- U13 (5 goalies/49 players) so we do have a few spots open now. There was a request from a parent/player in Cremona interested in joining our league. Would have to get signed release from Cremona as they do have U15 team, however the player really should be joining the Cremona league. Shaina will reach out to family and find out more details, and pass on any information on the process and requirements.
- Team declarations due to CAHL Oct 1 and team contacts due to CAHL by Oct 7 - Jeff & Shaina to look after

5. Secretary - nothing to report

6. Crossfield MHA - nothing to report

7. Carstairs MHA

- concerns raised by some parents for \$120 fee for evaluations and stickers? We charged \$125 for conditioning which was optional. Discussion ensued. Perhaps the concern was really the withhold of \$100 for AA/AAA tryouts (this was to cover the cost of ice and jerseys). Since the cost of jerseys went up so much, decision was made last meeting to use stickers instead, so should we reduce the hold back now? Will need to change the wording on moving forward. cost could be reduced.

Darryl moved to refund players that didn't participate in evaluations ice all but \$50 admin fee. Carried.

8. Didsbury MHA - nothing to report

Darryl moved all executive reports be accepted as presented. Carried.

E. Reports of other Committee Positions

1. Past Chair Report - no report

2. Coach Coordinator

- Working on it. May need an additional U18 coach. May approach Mr. Knitting to coach as would be a good fit.
- Could be short a U15C coach as well according to who has applied so far. Will see how teams are made and if there is a parent that would be a good fit to approach.
- Question on date of U15 bubble games - they are set for Sept 29 & 30.
- Suggested sending out the information regarding how the bubble games work to coaches and families so everyone has the information one more time on how these work.

3. Ice Coordinator

- Will connect with Events/Fundraising with lists for picture day
4. Referee Coordinator
- Evaluations games all covered, how does the invoicing work on the computer program? Elyssa will help. Evaluations games \$146 total per game - U13/U15 \$55, \$60 for U18
 - Ref clinic in Crossfield Oct 29 (usually 20 spots) - will reimburse new refs for cost of clinic after they have refed five games. Suggest connecting with tri-town boards before reimbursing as all boards have the same policy to make sure none are duplicated.
 - Not a lot of senior refs, but ok with others. If it comes down to it, two man system is ok.
 - Suggest another hit on facebook looking for refs and advertising clinic

5. Equipment Coordinator - report provided

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1EKhu8y_hHUifX-YJ25zl45KHh72bKMQ9/view?usp=sharing

Condensed report for minutes :

- Do we want a new set of jerseys? If so, for what team and what colour/design as there are different ones in the storage room. Quote obtained from Karen at PM Promotions - this is who has done our jerseys in the past \$73.60 Youth, \$77.80 adult & Goalie + GST *Turnaround time 8-12 weeks

- There is a full set of Peewee jersey new in box but colours are off - is there any history?

Discussion ensued:

- Yes, we need to order for 2023 replacement rotation but there is no rush as we have enough for the current season.
- There are actually three sets of colours - our existing lot of jersey, the new box of Midget jersey and the new box of Peewee jerseys. Preference is given to the new Midget jerseys - must be a bright white and lighter gray tones. Peewee are too blue.
- Even though the colours are off, we can still use the jerseys and add them to our rotation.
- Whoever we decide to go with for future orders needs to be consistent with colouring. There needs to be a discussion regarding this with company we place order with. Perhaps we bring in the pictures or the actual jerseys for them to see. Do we go with PM or explore other options such as Lygas? Benefit may be that they are more accessible, have an on-line store, have wider range of companies to order from (some higher quality than kobe brand) and are quick to reply. They also already have our logo design - it may need to be reviewed for shades of gray.
- Girls Team (U15) is looking for a set of Carstairs Jerseys to use in Airdrie if we have enough to lend - looks like we should have enough. Perhaps Karen and Robbi can connect on this.
- Socks - Do we want to continue with current logo socks (8-12 week turn around at PM Promotions, and we sell for \$40/pr) or switch to a lower cost and phase out the logo ones due to cost? Should we do a call out for anyone who might have old socks they've grown out of? Quotes obtained from Amazon for various options \$17.95-\$18.95 and \$19.95 (see link above for details)
- Current Inventory - 34 lg, 64 med, 42 sm

Discussion ensued:

- We actually have another two boxes of socks in the storage room buried behind jerseys, so will need an updated inventory. We may have enough to get us through the year. Are families aware they need to purchase socks? Not sure this is on our registration or on our website etc. Perhaps we should look at adding/re-wording or including in registration fees for attaching a store link for Lygas on registration for the future.
- Thinking that any used socks would be in rough shape and as members have purchased, hard to expect them to give them back with no financial benefit to them. Offering \$ for them would be hard to track and tedious to refund.
- Prefer ordering from a supplier rather than amazon in the event they cannot be replaced with identical ones in future years.
- As for switching from logo to plain, perhaps we obtain quotes for plain and logo for comparison. Cobi mentioned in discussion that perhaps they could be obtained for \$30

a pr from Lygas or \$20 for plain but would need to verify materials and full quote/shipping costs etc. for true comparison as her discussion was more in passing.

- Helmet Stickers - 2X2 stickers are too small. Lygas rushed an order of 5X5 helmet stickers Monday - they are much better.
- First Aid Kits - 5 returned, 2 new in package, 3 to be returned- should have enough
- Pucks - appears to be enough pucks, but may need a few bags if no more to be returned.

Cam moved we obtain prices/colours preview from PM Promotions and Lygas and order one set of jerseys in appropriate colours for the replacement rotation 2023-2024 for best price/quality when organized and ready to do so. Carried.

Cam moved we obtain quotes for plain medium gray and custom socks from PM Promotions and Lygas and order accordingly for best price/quality if we do not have enough in the storage room for the year. Carried.

6. Player Development - nothing to report
7. Discipline Coordinator
 - New policy works very well - have had to put it to use in Carstairs already.
8. Referee in Chief
 - Ref course in Crossfield Oct 29
9. Communications Coordinator
 - Raffle Box - pros and cons
 - need max amount - may or may not reach
 - need to specify time frame
 - Raffle box takes a good chunk for fees but it is simple
 - Online only - no ability to sell in person
 - Winner can only be in Alberta
 - QR code possibly in stands?

Cobi moved to create a raffle box for 2 months for \$20,000 and draw October 5 Nov 24th Black Friday Eve. Carried.

- Picture day Oct 20 - time 6:30-9:30pm, team schedule/roster (Shaina will send) required.
 - Robbi was able to obtain discount cards from Pro Hockey Life for 15% off and + 5 free sharpenings. Will have coaches hand out to players on each team
10. Special Events/Fundraising Coordinator
 - need amount, time frame, draw date - per above - Up to \$20,000/ Oct 5-Nov 24 (Black Friday eve draw)
 - Bobbie will connect with Elysa, Jennifer, Kim for any information required for setting up raffle box
 - Still need to raise an additional \$15,000 after raffle box
 - Would like call out for volunteers interested in helping with another fundraising activity - Jen will put on facebook
 - any information for picture day for special events coordinator responsibilities - Tina has mostly organized, will connect with Bobbie
 11. CAHL Governor
 - Kim Knitting and Erica Wollen have stepped up
 - Governor training date TBA
 - Viking requesting to join CAHL for this year

Elysa moved committee reports be accepted as presented. Carried.

12. Safety
 - Natasha will go through first aid kits and report back at next meeting any items that need to be purchased/replaced
 - Once teams created, and volunteers in place, will work on organizing safety meeting date for going over protocols

F. Unfinished Business

- a. Evaluations and Volunteer Sign Up - please check sign up genius for helping as there are still many spots to fill
- b. Sock Order - see equipment
- c. Jerseys Sorted Out -see equipment

G. New Business- none

H. Jeff adjourned meeting Adjournment 8:53PM. Next meeting October 19, 2022 7PM