



Meeting Minutes - Wednesday October 19, 2023

Attendees: Jeff Fleischer, Darryl Nielsen, Shaina Snyder, Cobi Grisack, Jaclyn Lantz, Brent Feenstra, Devin Bowen, Teina Bowen, Derek Clayton, Karen Brittain, Brian Brittain, Natasha MacDonald, Kimberly Knittig, Robbi Spady

A. Jeff called to order at 7:01PM

B. Determination of Quorum - met

C. Darryl moved agenda be accepted as written

D. Tasha moved 09212022 draft minutes be accepted as written

E. Reports of the Executive Directors

a. President

i. everything going smoothly

b. Vice President

i. Coaches meeting Oct 12

- everyone seems to be on track and has everything they need
- some discussion regarding coach training
- still working on the on-line program - we may not be able to join with CMHA as their ice hockey systems.com subscription was already paid

c. Treasurer

i. Balance \$253,358.07

ii. Refunds all taken care of - was some confusion but all done now

- Will need to create some policies surrounding some specific areas (like refunds) as currently they default to CMHA and there are some gaps and areas not addressed
- Something to note - we typically have more refunds due to the AA tryouts, so CMHA may not encounter same situation with their refunds
- Discussion- does Hockey Alberta have any requirements regarding the number of conditioning practices prior to evaluations? This is something to look into as it may contribute to whatever new policy gets put in place.

d. Registrar

i. Coaches meeting went well

- Most in attendance (missing 2 coaches, 3 managers)

ii. U18- still has one injured player. Looking like mid November return.

iii. Pro-life Hockey cards have been handed out, just waiting for signed forms to be returned

iv. Nov 15 deadline for all volunteer qualifications/requirements (2 yrs for criminal record check)

v. Verified that board members were not required to obtain criminal record checks. We have no policy

on this nor does, CMHA. CMHA rep away - Robby suggested because board is not really in direct contact with players and dressing rooms they are fine. Again, a policy we may need to look into or add as we create RMAA policies and procedures

vi. U13C has requested for 6 coaches to be carded for rotation due to shift work etc.

vii. Junior coaches - request for a 14yr old. Discussion declined authorization as policy states 2 years removed.

viii. Will register some affiliates for call ups

e. Secretary - no report

f. Crossfield MHA - no report

g. Carstairs MHA (presented by Robby)

i. Thank you for the ice shuffle to accommodate the female program

ii. Some parent concerns with evaluations policy (i.e. upload drills to website, shredding of documents, coach choices in bubble games expressed in passing). Discussion ensued, suggestion made for questions or concerns to be directed to RMAA chairperson to address / explain / solve. Should issue require further board discussion, it will be added to agenda.

h. Didsbury MHA

i. Did end up getting a little more ice

Motion: Jaclyn moved to accept reports of the executive committees be accepted as presented. Carried.

F. Reports of other Committee Positions

a. Coach Coordinator

i. Carstairs clinic for coaches - Oct 24

b. Ice Coordinator

i. Tiering ice 36 ice times - 4 not being used

ii. Tournament black out dates deadline to CAHL Oct 29

c. Referee Coordinator - No Report

d. Equipment Coordinator

i. Jersey Order Options

- PM Promotions \$1841.48 pro \$1642.64 classic possibly 15% discount - 8 week turn around
- Lygas \$1669.14 pro, \$1372.14 classic - 6 weeks turn around
- Currently use pro but only difference is white t-shirt underlay at collar and rounded rear hem
- Lygas sublimation on file for life where as PM Promotions must choose desired "gray" colours each time we order (chance for mix up on shades).

ii. U18C team jerseys are in really bad shape (haven't had a third team at this level for a long time, so these jerseys were pulled out of old storage). Some discussion regarding possibility of ordering another set, but looking ahead, hard to say if 3rd Midget team will always be there. Could we get by with repair/exchange on a few of these jerseys instead and continue with rotational replacement.

Motion: Shaina moved we order regular replacement jerseys and retiring player jerseys in classic style from Lygas now and moving forward. Carried.

iii. Purchase pucks, puck bag, hangars and tide pens for teams. There is preauthorized allowance of \$3700 allocated for equipment in budget

iv. Socks - see item G.2. Old Business below.

e. Player Development

i. Evaluations are complete

- Overall things went well
- Good thing that we hired out
- A few things to address and plan for next year that could help things run more smoothly - should have been in roped off area, no parents access, evaluator was in lobby having coffee while evaluations going on, no sharing scores

v. One family has requested RMAA to share the score for their player- suggestion the score line be

exported from team genius (total per day). They did request within the 24 hour period.

- FYI within 48 hours, records are archived (computer) or destroyed (paper)
- Four complaints that have been discussed

Motion: Jeff moved RMAA release the individual evaluation score for the family requesting. Carried.

vi. Extra Clinics - Brian checked with Scott Binner regarding clinics for individual teams and he has expressed interest. Discussion ensued regarding concerns of conflict of interest. It is one thing to have a hitting clinic or power skating session but small skill clinics would be questionable if using same organization for evaluations in the future although, they are professional organizations and should be unbiased. Teams have access to the money and have in the past been responsible for organizing their own plan.

- Coaches training coaches might be an alternative.
- Suggestion for Brian to compile a list of contacts for teams to access and reach out to for various development options.

f. Discipline Coordinator

i. assisted in the release of one player

g. Referee in Chief

i. Oct 22 - ref clinic in Carstairs

ii. Waiting for one ref to register

h. Communications Coordinator

i. Vacant position please reach out if interested - Jaclyn might have a university student needing some work experience hours she will check and see if she would be interested

i. Special Events Coordinator

i. See below G. Unfinished Business - raffle box

j. CAHL Governor

i. 2 weekends of tiering left

ii. concerns with teams in tier 3 because it is so large

iii. Jeff will be in touch with all coaches and managers so there is a defence prepared if teams feel they are not in correct placement

k. Safety

i. No injuries

ii. Purchased some supplies for replacement in first aid kits

iii. Looking to put a lock on the first aid supplies area so there is some control of inventory

iv. Two meeting options for team safety people to meet

v. Waiting on three people to complete their safety courses

Motion: Shaina moved to accept committee reports as presented. Carried.

G. Unfinished Business

a. Raffle Box

i. AGLC Permit & Raffle licence obtained, almost all set up.

ii. Organizing draw date for 7PM Nov 24 Didsbury arena

iii. Looking for suggestions on incentive for members to sell - pool party/pizza party. Discussion ensued - suggestion for team to earn more development money

iv. Will be listing teams for purchasers to choose which they want to support, also we will know which team sells most tickets

v. Can sell up to \$20,000 tickets, must pre-choose the packages. Suggest she choose \$10,\$20,\$50.

vi. Info on raffle licence must match the info on raffle box

Motion: Jeff moved the winning team be awarded 10% of their sales towards team building or player development to a max of \$500. Carried.

b. Socks

- i. A few hiccups because we had no xl size socks, a lot of time spent with various individuals and teams
- ii. Suggest Instruction manual on how to measure socks for our new peewees
- iii. 120 units were available (39 are xs - these may last a while as they are quite tiny). Sold 79 pr at \$40 per pr so far. Majority remaining now is medium (61pr)
- iv. New quotes
 - Lygas \$24.57 comparable printed logo socks \$18.23 for plain colour
 - PM Promotions \$29.98 (may be able to provide 15% discount), \$22.50 for plain colour
 - \$4000 sock inventory
- vii. Suggest considering adding socks into registration fee, click on button that takes them directly to Lygas to order size and quantity. This removes RMAA from carrying \$4000 worth of sock inventory and people can order one-offs as well from Lygas.

Motion: Shaina moved we continue using the logo socks sourced through Lygas and have them added to registration next season. Carried.

H. New Business - no new business

I. Jeff adjourned meeting at 8:45 - Next Meeting Nov 16/22