

February DMHA Board Meeting
Feb 7, 2016
Delburne Arena

In attendance: Danielle, Amanda, Alison, Rita, Becky, Jeff R, Steph, Crystal, Vanessa, Kyle, Cheryl M, Duncan, Mel, Leslie, Gwen, Debbie

Gwen called the meeting to order at 7:06pm.

Gwen asked for additions to the agenda. Alison added timeclock to new business. Alison moved the agenda approved with the addition. 2nd by Becky. Carried.

Gwen asked those in attendance to look at the last meetings minutes. No errors or omissions. None were presented. Debbie moved minutes to be adopted as presented. 2nd by Rita.

Treasurer's Report by Leslie. The chequing account currently has \$14, 084. 13. Most of the debits were ref fees and kitchen fees. January ice rent was \$4337.63. The casino account has a balance of \$14, 460.92. Leslie adopted her report as presented. 2nd by Rita.

President's Report by Gwen. There have been a few Provincial questions and suspensions that she is dealing with. The CAHL meeting has yet to be rescheduled and she will speak more to that in New Business.

Ag Society report was spoken to by ALison. They are trying to come up with more ideas to fundraise and they are starting to plan the rodeo. The fundraising meeting is tomorrow at 7pm, and the Ag meeting is Feb. 15.

Arena manager's report was not presented.

Merchandise report was not reported.

Referee report had no update.

Media report was spoken to by Mel. Everything is good. Gwen asked about the website company change that Mel brought up a while ago, Mel has not looked further into this, but will soon. Keep emailing Mel for what to put up online.

Team Reports

Dynamite: They are good.

Novice: Team did not play this past weekend, and had a bad loss the weekend before, but are excited about moving on.

Atom: Team is good. Hoping to make playoffs.

Peewee: All good. They are getting healthier, players are healing. On 2nd round of Provincials.

Bantam: All good. In 2nd round of Provincials now. In league, it looks like they are going to playoffs.

Old Business

a.) Side note, thank you to all that came to the work bee. The room looks a lot better now.

b.) Atom and Bantam tournaments: Atoms and Bantams did not host a home tournament due to lack of teams. It is stated in the DMHA bylaws that each team is to host a tournament to help fundraise for the association. Nothing is on paper, yet, as to what to do if a Delburne team can not find teams to attend their tournament. A clarifying discussion occurred. Points were brought up that due to dates, timing and newly joining CAHL, many circumstances affected the reasons behind the Atom and Bantam's not having a tournament. Gwen voiced her opinion that had both teams not put forth due diligence and try to find ways to put on a tournament, that consequences would have occurred. However, both the Atom and Bantam teams did put out good effort (putting tournaments on Hockey Alberta, following the board suggestions, going and expanding the parameters of calling for teams). So, because of these stated reasons, it was deemed acceptable for these teams to not host a tournament without repercussions this year.

New Business

a.) Time clock: On the weekend, the time clock is acting up. When you push start, the board beeps as if it is starting but the clock doesn't start, and the same happens when you try to stop the clock. Gwen will discuss this with Brian to sort out a method of sorting this out. The Ag Society does own the clock. Those in attendance are asked to spread the word to their teams that the score board is having issues.

b.) Provincials: Provincial Committee has had a manager meeting with the committee to update team jobs. Hockey Alberta has outlined very strict guidelines that the committees must follow. Every team was assigned a job to manage, but everyone from every team needs to work together to help run a successful Provincials tournament. Bantams have a very good chance that they will be gone that weekend to their own provincials, so they are completing their jobs now, prior to provincials. Packages were handed out which included sponsorship letters, cover letters, raffle table donation sheet, Gold, Silver, Bronze sponsorship letters. We need someone to help make a brochure for the Provincials. Hockey Alberta gives you guidelines to follow. Steph brought up the idea to possibly ask Sunset printing and Elnora and see if they can make a template and print the brochures as a sponsorship. Becky suggested that we post the Provincials information on the website and fb. Tax receipts are provided upon request for GOLD, SILVER, BRONZE sponsorship. Jackie asked teams to give her names of who they are asking for sponsorship so we don't double ask. A discussion occurred regarding this. Canalta and Holiday Inns are booked for Provincials as well. An announcer is needed for games as well if someone is interested. The idea of the Provincials Committee opening a separate account was brought up. A discussion occurred regarding the pros and cons of opening a 2nd account or keeping them together. A new account will be opened, Duncan, Jackie, Nichol will have signing authority. The name will be specific to the Provincials. Any funds left over, need to be reabsorbed into the DMHA account. DMHA will front the Provincial Committee \$500 as a float. The account will need to be closed by April 15 2017. Jeff made a motion that the Provincial committee will open a separate account and will close the account following the Provincials, by May 15, 2017. The DMHA will front the committee \$500 to get the account up and running. 2nd by Steph. Carried. Proceeds from Provincials were spoken to. DMHA has \$30, 000 set aside for Dressing Rooms. DMHA may give the Ag Society more money for Arena improvements, no decision about percentage will be provided until after the Provincials.

c.) Concussion Course: DMHA held a concussion course. Just under 40 people attended from Delburne. There were good points presented and the presentation triggered very good questions and discussion. Becky created a template regarding concussion information and

handed them out to each team. The link will also be shared with Mel and then she will post it online. Feedback from the presentation was very positive. Baselining is also available for players to have. Cost varies for this, around \$10-20/player.

d.) Bylaw committee: At our last meeting, Gwen asked each team to have 2 bylaw committee members volunteer to help tweak our current bylaws and have them adopted during the AGM.

Dynamite: Jon and Tony

Novice: Cheryl M and Duncan

Atom: Scott/Vanessa and Kyle

Peewee: Jeff S and Lynne

Bantam: Becky and Steph

Debbie will email Becky the current bylaws. Becky will be the Bylaw chair.

Gwen will like the bylaws by March meeting for board approval.

e.) AGM: For this meeting, one member from each household needs to be in attendance or they need to pay \$50. Last year, the AGM was April 5 at the Drop In. This year, the AGM will be April 4 at the Drop in at 7pm.

f.) Hockey Banquet: A discussion occurred regarding pros and cons of the banquet. Bantams would vote to not have one. An idea of the association giving each team money to do their own wind up was presented. An explanation of what the banquet entails occurred. An idea of not having a supper, but having a shiny evening for everyone and then have a potluck at the arena. The idea of splitting the skaters was presented so that everyone is not out on the ice at once. Gwen will talk to Brian and Lee Ann about ice availability. The dirt will be going in in very early April.

g.) Meat Fundraiser: The forms are out, please give Leslie the forms when you have them. The deadline to have them in is Feb. 15.

h.) CAHL league decision: DMHA will stay in CAHL. Gwen will do a presentation to CAHL to stay in.

Next meeting will be March 7, at 7pm.

Gwen adjourned the meeting at 8:22 pm