

Foothills Minor Hockey Association Board of Directors Meeting 9 May 2018, 2018; 7:00 pm Ramada Meeting room

Present: Jennifer Woods, Sarah Radmanovich, Kellie Beal, Toby Redfern, Chris Alexander, Pavel Savin, Brad Parker, Adam Rommens, Brianne Fredell,

Absent: Terri Bass, Kevin MacIntyre, Miles Kiemele, Jacki Swanson, Tyler Hutton, James Bakken,

Jennifer Woods called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm. No additions were made to the agenda.

**Angela and Devon** – Rockies Hockey League. Based out of Cochrane, but stand alone league. Became a formal league in 2016 – Okotoks, Airdrie, Canmore, Banff, Cochrane. Has been one full year. Chestermere is joining. We are within the boundaries.

Governed by a board of directors, every association provides a rep. Divisions had 1-3 tiers – are projecting 16 teams at Midget next year. Non-hit for Bantam & Midget. Hockey Alberta calls it "Mainstream Hockey"

Meaningful competition is a priority. Expectation that associations build balanced teams. Teams were comparable to tier <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> for upper tiers, and 5/6 for bottoms.

Suspensions follow HA Min Guidelines.

Games/season – looking to get 18. Start week after Thanksgiving. 4 weeks to determine fit. Rosters not locked in right away – can move players for parity. 2 blackout weekends for tournaments. Tournament style playoffs in March. May change for upcoming season.

Website for tracking, stats, etc.

Joining – ice Atom/Peewee/Bantam 90 minutes, Midget 120 min. Drop clock and no flood (except Midget)

League fees are \$175/team – may change at AGM. Association Bond – was \$250, may increase.

Need a governor, and board rep. Intention is to hold board meetings in Calgary. Governor and board rep would be required to attend about 4 meetings/year.

Last year in High River, the rec program had 80 players.

**Novice** – looking to have 4-5 small teams. With High Country, Vulcan, Claresholm, and possibly Nanton, we would have 12-15 teams. We won't need to reach out to Okotoks. Had a very good meeting with those associations. Justin from Hockey Alberta will present the Novice information to our parents at the Novice meeting in June. If we have the biggest buy in, the Novice Director should probably do the scheduling.

Smaller barriers are better, according to HA, for development.

We will have to vote on this at the June meeting.

Motion to Accept April minutes Kellie, Brad second, all in favor.

**AGM** - RSVP's are low, nominations are low so far. We have 1 more week. We need to work on getting people out and good people nominated. Nominations due next Thursday. We need to convene to vote on Volunteer of the year, and nominations need to be reviewed before they are allowed to stand.

**Treasurer's report** – changes made to clarify presentation for the AGM. Ice committee will meet next week with the town and other user groups.

Meeting adjourned at 9:14 pm.