

**Hockey Regina Inc**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
**Minutes**  
**Tuesday May 9 2017**

**Attendance:**

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| Larry Wees (Chair)   |               | Todd Taylor     |
| Joanne Merk          | Rick Hagglund |                 |
| Christie Bjolverud   | Brad Hunt     | Mark Burton     |
| Ian Jones            | Geoff Thachuk | Trevor Mitchell |
| Blair Watson (Staff) |               |                 |

**Regrets:**

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| Kevin Baron | Ross Johns | Rachielle Thackeray |
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**1. Call to order**

Larry called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

**2. Minutes**

*MOTION: To approve April 18 minutes. Moved Geoff, Seconded Rick. CARRIED*

**3. Board Positions**

- Larry had discussions with the Board on the positions they wished to have
- *MOTION: To appoint the Board positions as follows: Vice President/ & Director Finance, Geoff; Vice President & Director Midget/AAA, Brad; Director Evaluations + Coach Development, Christie; Director Tournaments and Female Development, Joanne; Director Officials/Suspensions, Ian; Director Player Development, Mark; Director Female, Kevin; Director Bantam, Rick; Director Pee Wee, Todd; Director Atom, Rachielle; Director Novice, Ross; Director Initiation, Trevor. Moved Brad, Seconded Mark CARRIED*

**4. Office Relocation Committee**

- Blair was been in discussion with Stantec, pertaining to them being the architecture firm for the office build at Co-operators
- The committee has look over the agreement and it is fine.
- The committee feels that since Stantec was the firm that worked on the Co-operators Centre ius is prudent that they also be the one HRI as well

*MOTION: To finalize the agreement with Stantec, subject to working out a lease agreement with the Co-operators Centre. Moved Todd, Seconded Mark. CARRIED*

**5. AA Coach selection**

- A deadline of May 31 to have the AA coaches in place
- Blair will work with the Directors and coach mentors in setting up a date to go over the applicants.
- Discussion on criteria, etc for selecting the coaches

*MOTION: To have a coach questionnaire as part of the selection process. Moved Brad, Seconded Trevor CARRIED*

**6. Tournament website**

- Joanne and Mark to work on this

**7. Evaluations and Team Selection (Appendix A+B)**

- Blair handed out a summary of the current process for the evaluations and team selection
- Discussion around Novice goalies/skaters, went over the process that PSMHA is adopting for the coming season (Appendix C)
- A decision will need to be made in the near future if making changes to the processes.

**8. Next Meeting**

May 23

7:00PM @ HRI

## Evaluations Overview

### Overall

- Use independent evaluators and coaches for all age groups
- Independents run all skill sessions

### Initiation

Initiation does not have evaluations.

### Novice

- Coaches evaluate their own zone only.
- 2 skill sessions and 1 scrimmage, then assign players to teams
- **Decision item: Do we evaluate all players as skaters??**

### Atom

- Players can register for A or B or C

#### A-A

- The evaluation process for A-A will be a two stage process. The first stage will consist of the following:
  - One (1) skill session
  - One (1) controlled scrimmages
  - One (1) goalie skill session
- Note any player that played A-A in HRI the previous year will automatically go directly to the second stage of the evaluations
- At the conclusion of the first stage, go down to apprx. the top 160 skaters and 24 goalies (plus injured, etc). These players get two more scrimmages at Atom A.
  - For the skaters the scores from the first two sessions **will not** carry forward.
  - For the goalies the scores from the goalie session will carry forward to the second stage
- After the last two Atom A scrimmages the teams are picked

#### A-B

- Coaches evaluate their own zones only.
- All players get the following:
  - One (1) skill session
  - One (1) controlled scrimmages
  - One (1) goalie skill session
- After the A-B scrimmage the teams are picked.

#### A-C

- Coaches evaluate their own zones only.
- All players get one (1) skill session, and one (1) scrimmage.
- **Decision item: Players that did not make A-B do not skate at A-C they will be placed on a team. ??**

## **Pee Wee**

- Players can register for AA, A/B, C

### **PW-AA**

- The evaluation process for PW-AA will be a two stage process. The first stage will consist of the following:
  - One (1) skill session
  - One (1) controlled scrimmage
  - One (1) goalie skill session
- Note any players that played PW-AA in HRI the previous year will automatically go directly to the second stage of the evaluations
- At the conclusion of the first stage, go down to apprx. the top 110 skaters and 16 goalies (plus injured, etc). These players get two more scrimmages at PW-AA. Included in these players are the players that went directly to the second stage.
  - For skaters the scores from the first two sessions **will not** carry forward.
  - For the goalies the scores from the goalie session will carry forward to the second stage
- After the second stage the teams are picked

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  - One (1) skill session
  - One (1) controlled scrimmage
  - One (1) goalie skill session
- At the conclusion of the first stage, go down to apprx. the top 140 skaters and 20 goalies (plus injured, etc). These players get two more scrimmages at PW-A.
  - For skaters the scores from the first two sessions **will not** carry forward.
  - For the goalies the scores from the goalie session will carry forward to the second stage
- After the second stage the teams are picked

### **PW-B**

- All players get two (2) scrimmages. The scores from PW-A will not carry forward.
- After the PW-B scrimmages the teams are picked.

### **PW-C**

- All players get one (1) skill session and one (1) scrimmages.
- Players that did not make PW-B do not skate at PW-C they will be placed on a team.
- After the PW-C scrimmages the teams are picked



## **Bantam**

- Players can register for AA, A or B

### **B-AA**

- The evaluation process for B-AA will be a two stage process. The first stage will consist of the following:
  - Two (3) controlled scrimmages
  - One (1) goalie skill session
- At the conclusion of the first stage, each B-AA coach will select eighteen (18) skaters and up to three (3) goalies
- In stage two of the evaluations, each team will practice (apprx 3 times) and play two (2) exhibition games
- After the second stage the coaches will finalize their roster

### **B-A**

- The evaluation process for B-A will consist of the following:
  - Three (3) controlled scrimmages
  - One (1) goalie skill session
- The scores from B-AA will not carry forward.
- After the B-A scrimmages the teams are picked.

### **B-B**

- All players get two (2) scrimmages.
- After the B-B scrimmages the teams are picked

## **Midget**

- Players can register for AA, A or B

### **M-AA**

- The evaluation process for M-AA will be a two stage process. The first stage will consist of the following:
  - Four (4) controlled scrimmages
  - One (1) goalie skill session
- At the conclusion of the first stage, each M-AA coach will select twenty-two (22) skaters and up to three (3) goalies
- In stage two of the evaluations, each team will practice (apprx 3 times) and play two (2) exhibition games
- After the second stage the coaches will finalize their roster

### **M-A**

- The evaluation process for M-A will consist of the following:
  - Three (3) controlled scrimmages
- The scores from M-AA will not carry forward.
- After the M-A scrimmages the teams.

### **M-B**

- All players get two (2) scrimmages.
- After the M-B scrimmages the teams are picked

## **Female**

- Coaches and independents are the ones doing the evaluations for all divisions.

## **Novice**

- Evaluated within one zone of co-ed. No separate Female evaluations.
- 2 skill sessions and 1 scrimmage, then assign players to teams

## **Atom**

- For placement purposes the players registered for Atom and Pee Wee will be evaluated in conjunction with the Co-ed Atom B evaluations. **(Decision: Do we wish to continue this?)**
- For Female only evaluations, all players get the following:
  - One (1) skill session
  - Two (2) controlled scrimmages
- After the scrimmages the teams are picked.

## **Pee Wee**

- For placement purposes the players registered Pee Wee will be evaluated in conjunction with the Co-ed Pee Wee A evaluations. **(Decision: Do we wish to continue this?)**
- For Female only evaluations, all players get the following:
  - One (1) skill session
  - Two (2) controlled scrimmages
- After the scrimmages the teams are picked.

## **Bantam and Midget**

- Players can register for AA or A

### **AA**

- The evaluation process for AA will be a two stage process. The first stage will consist of the following:
  - Two (3) controlled scrimmages
- At the conclusion of the first stage, the AA coach will select eighteen (18) skaters and up to three (3) goalies
- In stage two of the evaluations, the AA team will practice (apprx 2 times) and play two (2) exhibition games
- After the second stage the coaches will finalize their roster

### **A**

- The evaluation process for A will consist of the following:
  - Two (2) controlled scrimmages
- After the A scrimmages the teams are picked.

## **Team Selection Overview**

### **Initiation**

HRI forms teams based on address/school/requests.

### **Novice**

- HRI forms teams based on evaluation scores
- Coaches able to make trades

### **Atom**

#### **A-A: (8 teams – 14 skaters/team)**

- Top 136 skaters, 24 goalies and injured/absent eligible to be selected
- Coach can select any eligible player at any time
- Coaches player selected in round ranked
- Top 88 skaters must be selected (8 teams @ 11 players)

#### **A-B: (5 teams/zone – 14 skaters/team)**

- Top 85 skaters, 15 goalies and injured/absent eligible to be selected
- Coach can select any eligible player at any time
- Coaches player selected in round ranked
- Top 55 skaters must be selected (5 teams @ 11 players)

#### **A-C**

- Players are grouped into flights
- Two flights are on the table at the start of every round.
- Coaches player selected in round ranked
- Injured/absent players are selected at the end

### **Pee Wee**

#### **PW-AA: (5 teams – 15 skaters/team)**

- Top 100 skaters, 15 goalies and injured/absent eligible to be selected
- Coach can select any eligible player at any time
- A pre-evaluation meeting is held whereby the coaches slot where their player would be drafted.
- Top 60 skaters must be selected (5 teams @ 12 players)

#### **PW-A/B: (6 teams – 15 skaters/team)**

- Top 108 skaters, 18 goalies and injured/absent eligible to be selected
- Coach can select any eligible player at any time
- Coaches player selected in round ranked
- Top 72 skaters must be selected (6 teams @ 12 players)

#### **PW-C**

- Players are grouped into flights
- Two flights are on the table at the start of every round.
- Coaches player selected in round ranked
- Injured/absent players are selected at the end

## **Bantam**

### **B-AA (3 teams – 15 skaters/team)**

- Top 69 skaters, 10 goalies and injured/absent eligible to be selected
- **New for 2016:** Coach is eligible to protect any skater/goalie that played on that BAA team the year prior. The protected players are the coaches first picks. **(Decision: Do we wish to continue this??)**
- Coach can select any eligible player at any time
- Top 23 skaters must be selected. **(Decision: Increase/decrease number of guaranteed?)**

### **B-A (6 teams – 15 skaters/team)**

- Top 108 skaters, 18 goalies and injured/absent eligible to be selected
- Coach can select any eligible player at any time
- Coaches player selected in round ranked
- Top 48 skaters must be selected **(Decision: Increase/decrease number of guaranteed?)**

### **B-B**

- Players are grouped into flights
- Two flights are on the table at the start of every round.
- Coaches player selected in round ranked
- Injured/absent players are selected at the end

## **Midget**

### **M-AA (3 teams – 17 skaters/team)**

- Top 81 skaters, 10 goalies and injured/absent eligible to be selected
- Coach is eligible to protect any skater/goalie that played on that MAA team the year prior. The protected players are the coaches first picks.
- Coach can select any eligible player at any time
- Top 24 skaters must be selected **(Decision: Increase/decrease number of guaranteed?)**

### **M-A (4 teams – 17 skaters/team)**

- Top 100 skaters, 12 goalies and injured/absent eligible to be selected
- Coach can select any eligible player at any time
- Coaches player selected in round ranked
- Top 35 skaters must be selected **(Decision: Increase/decrease number of guaranteed?)**

### **M-B**

- Players are grouped into flights
- Two flights are on the table at the start of every round.
- Coaches player selected in round ranked
- Injured/absent players are selected at the end



## Female

### Novice

- HRI forms teams based on evaluation scores
- Coaches able to make trades

### Atom

#### B (1 team – 14 skaters)

- Top 17 skaters, 4 goalies and injured/absent eligible to be selected
- Top 8 skaters must be selected (**Decision: Increase/decrease number of guaranteed?**)

#### C

- Players are grouped into flights
- Two flights are on the table at the start of every round.
- Coaches player selected in round ranked
- Injured/absent players are selected at the end

## Pee Wee

#### AA (1 team – 15 skaters)

- Top 20 skaters, 4 goalies and injured/absent eligible to be selected
- Top 8 skaters must be selected (**Decision: Increase/decrease number of guaranteed?**)

#### A (1 team – 15 skaters)

- Top 20 skaters, 4 goalies and injured/absent eligible to be selected
- Top 8 skaters must be selected (**Decision: Increase/decrease number of guaranteed?**)

#### B

- Players are grouped into flights
- Two flights are on the table at the start of every round.
- Coaches player selected in round ranked
- Injured/absent players are selected at the end

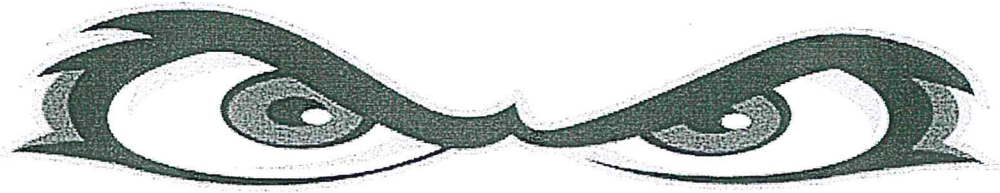
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## **UPCOMING CHANGES WITHIN PSMHA 2017/2018 SEASON**

### **NOVICE GOALTENDING**

One of the major strategies of PSMHA over the next year is to concentrate on goaltending and goalie development at the young age groups. This includes ensuring our goaltenders receive proper skating instruction as well as goal skill development. As such, for the upcoming season, and going forward, all Novice age players will register as skaters ONLY (no goalie registration). The only exception to this will be the returning goalies from last season in fairness to potential equipment already purchased.

What will this mean for Novice team? This will mean that you will not necessarily have a full time goalie with the intent to encourage many to try the position. This initiative is in line with the thoughts of Hockey Canada and the Saskatchewan Hockey Association and will promote stronger skating skills before progressing to more specific goalie skills.

### **Reasons for the Change**

The PSMHA Executive feel this change is important for the following reasons:

1. This will ensure the kids within our association have an opportunity to develop both skating and goal tending skills. Skating is the fundamental skill of any player and the foundation for a goal tender as well. PSMHA wants to ensure we have strong fundamentals.
2. It allows more kids the opportunity to try the position
3. It allows the kids some fun trying different skills and positions in a practice situation before being exposed to games.
4. It will hopefully keep kids in the position longer as full time goalies at a young age often feel "trapped" in the position. This will still allow kids the opportunity to play goal and play out.

## **How will this work?**

Following this year in which returning goalies will be allowed to register in the position, the maximum a child in Novice will be able to play goal is 50%. Coaches will be required to promote as many kids trying the position as want to and if none volunteer then rotate everyone. Coaches will develop a schedule for rotation for both games and practices. PSMHA will supply each team with the necessary goal equipment such that parents are not forced into buying it at such an early age.

## **FAQ on the proposed change:**

1. What if my team doesn't have a full time goalie?

That's the idea!! We are trying to encourage many kids to try the position to sustain a larger goalie pool and to ensure all goalies develop to the best of their ability. Over the years PSMHA has faced goalie shortages and we believe this change will help to allow more to try the position and hopefully remain long term.

2. Doesn't our team need a full time goalie to have a better chance to win?

The purpose of PSMHA is to promote, govern and enhance hockey for the good of the players; to foster a community spirit among members, supporters and teams; to increase the interest in the game of hockey; and to promote team participation, sportsmanship and equal opportunity to all registered participants relative to the game of ice hockey.

Hockey Canada's mission statement is to lead, develop and promote positive hockey experiences.

Winning is not part of either PSMHA or Hockey Canada's mission.