**MILLET MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION – Meeting Minutes of August 21, 2017**

In attendance: Kelly Hofstra, Lisa Henschel, Tanya Klapstein, Greg Lepage, James Rennie, Cindy McGrath, Josh Van de Kraats, Theo Dykstra, Sheldon Hanson,Roger Lorenson, Melissa Emmerzael

Members at Large: Cynthia McLachlan, Ron Buchaski, Becky Buchaksi

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Roger called the meeting to order at 8:20pm (this is a continuation of the special meeting that was held with the Novice/Atom parents).
2. **TEAM STATUS:**

* This meeting is to discuss the status of the Bantam and Midget teams going forward.
* Josh has been leading the discussions with various boards throughout the summer.
* There were good discussions with Wetaskiwin about a merge for Wetaskiwin / Millet. The president was confident the Wetaskiwin board would be in favour. They spoke earlier in the summer with Wetaskiwin but the vibe was more negative but it has changed in the last few conversations.
* The parents in attendance (Buchaski’s and Cynthia) asked when a decision will be made so they can make sure their kids are not missing out with tryouts / conditioning camps etc. The goal is to have a decision within the next few days and this is why there was a meeting specifically to make an informed decision.
* Dryland training in Wetaskiwin is open to anyone interested so there shouldn’t be an issue with any players who are wanting to attend.
* BANTAM:
  + Calmar merge – of all parents that Josh spoke with, no families were wanting to merge with Calmar.
  + Wetaskiwin merge – 3 families were against a merge with Wetaskiwin
* ACTION PLAN:
* Roger will speak with Hockey AB because of new information where it sounds like we aren’t actually able to merge with Wetaskiwin because we would be forming more than “a” team. If we ARE NOT able to merge based on Hockey Alberta information, then Roger will let Josh know and Josh will let the parents know the decision.
* Josh will speak with Wetaskiwin to let them know our decision based on Hockey Alberta’s decision based on merge discussions.
* We are interested in keeping Millet players on the ice in Millet as much as possible.
* Josh will contact the families/players of the Bantam team with either decision based on talks with Hockey Alberta (either merge with Wetaskiwin or else declare no team.)
* Greg motioned: We will declare no team for Bantam for 2017/2018 year. Tanya seconded. Carried.
  + Discussion – interest in giving players best options to play, wanting to keep players in Millet if possible was brought up. Rules from Hockey Alberta – what if we actually are able to merge more than one team – it would be the preferable option to merge.
* MOTION AMMENDED: We will declare no team for Bantam for the 2017/2018 year based on the discussion with Hockey Alberta in the next 24 hours related to clarification on mergers with more than 1 team. If it is OK coming from Hockey Alberta, then we will merge with Wetaskiwin. If it is NOT Ok, then we will declare no team. Tanya seconded. 9 in favour, motion carried.
* MIDGETS:
  + 9 are registered.
  + Greg motioned we follow the same plan as the Bantam motion. Cindy seconded. All in favour, motion carried.
  + Josh will also contact the parents of the midget players to let them know the decision once we have clarification from Hockey Alberta.
* ATOM/NOVICE:
  + Roger will talk to Hockey Alberta about tiering. Sheldon will talk with Josh Giacobbo to get some ideas on outside evaluators. Week 1 practices, week 2 evaluations for a brief schedule idea. Greg will help out Sheldon with setting up and organizing evaluations.
  + Tanya will write an email to send to novice/atom parents giving them information on our decision and what to expect going forward.
* COACHING APPLICATIONS:
  + There have been numerous coaching applications received. We should be able to fill all positions.
  + There will need to be a committee set up to decide coaches where there has been more than 1 head coach application submitted. The committee will include the VP, all level coordinators and another board member. Josh will get that set up and interviews conducted.
* BINGO:
  + Tanya got all the documents from the bingo hall and made up a spreadsheet to try and determine all the bingos worked from the last season. It is difficult to determine who exactly has or has not completed their duties as some people were given from April 2017 – August 2017 to complete their requirements for the 2016/2017 season when they were supposed to have them completed by March 31/2017, and others were already working in that time frame for the 2017/2018 season. Thus, we will honour what people tell us they worked in 2016/17 season along with the spreadsheet with information gathered from the bingo hall.
  + Bingo hall runs their season from May 1-April 30. MMHA runs their calendar from April 1-March 30.
  + All bingos need to be worked their bingos by the end of March with no exceptions or else bingo cheques are cashed.
* AGLC NOTICES:
  + We received information that a few dates were not submitted to AGLC for raffles and 50/50. They were for Jan13/14 (Hockey Day in Millet) and Jan 20-22 (Peewee tourney). Through discussions with Dawn, Cynthia and Becky and looking for documents in the cage, we will try to get those forms sent back in to make sure our AGLC standing is good going forward. Melissa will contact them and Theo and Roger will also help out getting the forms submitted.

1. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING:** Monday, September 11, 2017 \*LATER CHANGED TO SEPT.12, 2017\*
2. **ADJOURNMENT:** Roger adjourned the meeting at 10:29pm