In attendance: Roger Lorenson, James Rennie, Shelley Dreger, Cynthia McLachlan, Christina Martens, Jose DelaCruz, Becky Buchaski, Greg Lepage, Lisa Henschel, Dawn Trent, Lana Grapentine, Chuck O’Neill, Cindy McGrath, Melissa Emmerzael

1. CALL TO ORDER: Roger called this meeting to order at 7:02pm
2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes September 27, 2016. Christina motioned to accept minutes with a few minor amendments. Greg seconded – Carried.
3. ADDITION/APPROVAL AGENDA: Additions: Goalie school, Legion, tournament meeting, fundraising. Cynthia motioned to accept the agenda with the additions, Lisaeconded - Carried
4. REPORTS:

a) **PRESIDENT** – Roger Lorensen

 - Roger has been in contact with a goalie school based out of Beaumont. They have good reviews from other associations as well as players from our association who have used it in the past. ([www.goalieacademy.ca](http://www.goalieacademy.ca))

 - Cynthia motions MMHA will book 2 sessions a month per age group for 4 months (ie: Peewee goalies will attend sessions twice a month for 4 months, atom and novice as well). James seconded. All in favour. Carried.

 - The plan is for coordinator/coaches/parents to book the sessions and interested goalies are responsible to attend the two sessions and if they can’t attend they will find another interested goalie to attend in their place. Parents/goalies need to be accountable to attend as MMHA will be paying the fee for their development and therefore they need to be make sure they are attending.

 - There is a goalie coach clinic in New Sarepta on November 3.

 - MMHA has historically purchased a wreath for Remembrance Day through the Legion. Roger will have the jerseys at the ceremony on November 11, and managers are to let their teams know and encourage players to attend. Please have players at Griffith Scott school by 9:00 wearing dressy clothes in order to support our team laying the wreath. The ceremony starts at 10:30am.

 - Cynthia motions for MMHA to purchase a wreath for the Remembrance Day ceremony in Millet. Becky seconded. All in favour. Carried.

 **b):VICE-PRESIDENT** – Jeff Huolt

* Nothing to report.
1. **TREASURER** –Lisa Henschel
* Lisa brought in a detailed copy of our profit and loss statement up to date for anyone to view.
* C O'Neill invoices still need to be taken from general account
* Lisa was wondering if she is able to use money from the bingo account to pay referees and ice. The answer is yes.
* Only 2 people responded to the apparel list that Lisa chose and emailed. Chuck is willing to come do a fitting if we decide to go with hoodies and track suits as well. Upon further discussion about the apparel, we will compile a list of items available for order and that information will be sent out to coordinators/managers to be passed onto the families. We will hold a time for people to try on and order items if they wish (November 4 @ 6-8 pm) and that will also be the deadline for orders and payment. Chuck will be there for that evening to help with people trying on items. Greg will work on making up an order form and will get that to the board members. We will also have the extra bags and stick bags as well as old apparel that will be available to purchase and take home once paid on Nov.4.
* Lisa will send out invoices for companies with ice logos.
* Raffle cheque - $9729.90, Bingo $47645.88, casino $36.07, general $45684.09, old raffle $150.58. Total chequing / savings $103246.54
* Motion to accept the treasurers report: Becky motioned, Shelley seconded. All in favour. Carried.
1. **REGISTRAR** – Becky Buchaski
* There are three families still left to pay. 1 family is on a payment plan and the other two have been made aware their fees must be paid or a payment plan in place by November 1 or their children will not be playing hockey until such time as the situation has been addressed.
* There is a manager/coordinator / coach / assistant coach meeting on Sunday, October 30 at 7:00 & 8:00pm.
* The website has good and bad news – the bad news is 1660 has switched over to a new formatted site and we have not meaning we aren’t able to go live as of yet. Managers/coordinators will communicate to parents that they will need to either sign up for rampbook personally to be updated on games, and practices will need to be manually checked through the ice schedule or manager emails. Once time permits, Becky will continue working on getting our website updated and will let us know when it can be synced with 1660.
* Tournaments have been submitted to Hockey Alberta.
1. **ICE COORDINATOR** – James Rennie
* Nothing to report.
1. **REFEREE IN CHIEF** –Greg LePage
* There are currently 22 people signed up for the Millet Clinic. More than half of these are from other associations, and are going to be charged an extra $30 to attend our clinic. Greg will have more specific numbers Friday before the clinic.
* Greg has sent a message to all of the coaches in MMHA about the coaching clinics coming up. Hopefully we have a bit more than the last minutes reported now. A suggestion that the entire staff on the peewee team take the checking skills course for sure. Also encourage all coaches from all levels to attend a checking clinic as there is a lot of great information in these courses, not just checking. There is one on October 29 10-2.
* There is a Coach level 1 course on November 5, and we should be encouraging ALL coaches to be taking this course.
* Greg is having trouble getting our local refs to actually sign up, all want to sign up, but he has stopped chasing them to sign up now. Lots have signed up, but there are a few that haven’t.
* Greg would like to suggest that our refs receive some kind of Christmas gift from the association. We are their employer. So nothing really big, but maybe something. This is something we have done in the past with different gifts. Becky motions that MMHA provide our refs with duffle bags and a pizza party for Christmas. Lisa seconded. All in favour. Carried.
* Preseason games have been going good with officials so far. With only a handful of local officials, there may be a need to bring some in from other associations, but only as a last resort.
* Greg presented a few ideas to the board that could possibly get our numbers up for the coming years. Ideas of putting some of our funds towards registration, bring a friend to events such as Santa Skate, incentives for community kids to come and watch games etc. We will think of more ideas and ways to get our association more visible in the community with the hope of numbers increasing in the future. This discussion will continue at the next meeting.
* Greg would like to thank Cynthia and all who helped her for the Welcome Party, It was a great success, with lots of participation!
1. **BINGO COORDINATOR** – Dawn Trent
* The October 22 bingo only had 2 people from MMHA signed up. Because of this, Dawn had to give it away and found a willing association (Wetaskiwin Gymnastics) to take over the bingo and we paid for their food. We need to come up with ways to have our bingos filled because we can’t always be giving away bingos. Discussion on how to help this situation including having team fundraiser bingos as well as teams fulfilling their obligations with team bingos. At the manager/coordinator meeting on Sunday, October 30, all the teams will pick a bingo to fill with people from their teams in order to fulfill their obligations. If teams want to run a fundraising bingo they can do an additional bingo but we want the bingo obligations filled first.
* The casino will be in Red Deer at Jackpot Casino.on December 14/15. Shifts that need to be filled: 4 people 11-7, 4 people 6:45 – 3am, 5 counters 11pm – 3am. Joyce will act as the GM for our casino and she will work both days. Shifts will be filled ASAP, with the board getting the email and then the rest of the association.
* Peace Hills is having a bingo anniversary. Becky motioned for MMHA to support Peace Hills Bingo by giving $150 cash donation for their anniversary bingo in November and will be given through Dawn Trent. Cynthia seconded. All in favour. Carried.
1. **EQUIPMENT** – Jose DelaCruz
* Jose mentioned the cage codes and who should have access to them. Each team coordinator and coach should only have their individual teams code. The president and equipment coordinator should have all the cage combos. No team should be giving out their cage combinations to anyone else. We will also look at getting a lock for the main cage door as there have been people in there that shouldn’t be. Jose will look into changing the cage combinations.
* On November 4, the idea of a small ‘work bee’ could take place to help make decisions about what needs to be staying up in storage or what can be disposed of. This is the same date as the apparel night so anyone who is able to help out with this would be appreciated.
1. **PUBLIC RELATIONS** – Cynthia
* Welcome back – thanks to everyone who helped with setup, cleanup and everything to run this event smoothly. There was a 10% tip given to the driver who delivered the pizza.
* Pictures – the invoice has been sent to the treasurer to pay.
* November 26 – all managers please book a home game if possible as the Legion craft sale and winter festival will be going on at that time. We have been asked to have home games if possible and there will be different activities going on such as a gingerbread house contest. This is another good way to increase MMHA exposure to the community.
* Santa Skate – December 16. We will find someone to be Santa and elves to help give our gifts. Encourage players to bring a friend for this event. More information to follow at the next meeting.
1. **MIDGET** – No coordinator (no team)
* No report.
1. **BANTAM** – No coordinator (no team)
* Cynthia commented that the Millet players seem to be doing well with their respective teams. One player quit after tiering was done. The tiering seemed to take a long time before the teams were finally set.
1. **PEE WEE** – Shelley Dreger
* Peewee has played 4 preseason games and won all 4. The coach has sent in a form to 1660 requesting we are placed in tier 3 instead of tier 4.
* We are in the works to get our raffle up and running.
1. **ATOM** – Christina Martens
* Atom team has played 4 games, they lost one game. Christina brought up whether or not MMHA would pay for the extra towards an away tournament as the tournament they want to go to is more than they charged for the home tournament. MMHA will pay up to the amount that teams charge for their home tournaments. This way proceeds from a home tournament go towards MMHA, but the Millet team is also funded for an away tournament up to the amount they charge teams to attend their home tournament. Anything over and above needs to be fundraised or funded by the team.
1. **NOVICE** – Cindy McGrath
* Cindy brought up the fact that Novice needs more jerseys. A discussion was had about the fact that the new atom jerseys ordered for last year were ordered in the wrong size as they are all adult sizes. There have been lots of switches for different players to try and get all teams with proper sized jerseys. There was a discussion about what sizes need to be ordered, but it was left up to the Novice coordinator as well as the equipment manager to decide and put in an order with Chuck. Cindy motioned to order another set of Novice jerseys in the same size as the other Novice set of jerseys. ? seconded. All but 1 in favour , 1 opposed, carried.
1. **INITIATION** – Lana Grapentine
* The initiation team has 5 coaches right now. The kids are having fun and progressing. Lana is doing the manager and coordinator position right now.
1. **OLD BUSINESS**
2. Bylaws: Roger and Cynthia are continuing to work on them.
3. Information from Dawn about hiring someone to file reports for AGLC. She passed on the information to Lisa and Lisa will look into getting a price
4. Reminder that NO releases are to be authorized unless they have been brought to the registrar first.
5. Oil Kings – date decided was Feb.10 and each team needs to sell approximately 40 tickets. Tickets are $18 each. Team coordinators/manager can start letting people know about this. There are different things each team can be involved in at the actual game, but these will be decided once we know how many tickets we actually sell.
6. Old equipment – the school has declined taking on items as they are moving schools. We will pull the equipment out for the santa skate and Hockey day in Millet and allow people who will use any of the equipment to take what they want and decide what to do with the leftovers later.
7. **NEW BUSINESS:**
8. Apparel – as mentioned above, we will make up a list of items, sizes and prices and get it out to association members with Nov.4 being a date to try on items as well as the deadline for orders/payment.
9. Accessing jerseys – all jersey switches need to go through the equipment manager and kept track on a master list. Jose will be putting master team lists on the outside of all the cages so everything can be accounted for.
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11. **ADDITIONS TO AGENDA**:

 a) Falun outdoor arena fundraiser – outdoor alumni game with Oilers vs. Flames alumni on December 3 @ Falun outdoor rink $20 per ticket.

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1. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING:** Monday, November 21, 2016 @ 7pm

9. **ADJOURNMENT**: Roger adjourned meeting at 9:45pm