In attendance: Roger Lorenson, Josh Van de Kraats, Theo Dykstra, Greg LePage, James Rennie, Tanya Klapstein, Kelly Hofstra, Lisa Henschel, Jennifer Overeem, Melissa Emmerael

1. CALL TO ORDER: Roger called this meeting to order at 7:07pm
2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes October 10, 2017. Theo motioned to accept minutes with minor changes made by Tanya. Kelly seconded. All in favour – approved.
3. ADDITION/APPROVAL AGENDA: Additions:Tournament questions, import players/$50 registration fee. Theo motioned to accept the agenda with the additions, Kelly seconded – all in favour - approved
4. REPORTS:

a) **PRESIDENT** – Roger Lorensen

 - Wes Johnston and Brad Heemeryck from the Bantam team (Wetaskiwin) were wondering about having a Bantam game during Hockey Day in Millet. There was already talk about having a firefighter / alumni game so Kelly will looking that.

 - Remembrance Day – There were about 10 kids attending and helped with the wreaths. The players were jerseys and their presence was appreciated.

 - Novice tiering – Novice 1 has been moved to tier 3 and Novice 2 has been moved to tier 4. Discussion related to whether coaches are ok with these moves and all coaches are on board.

 - Roger has finished the letter to Lana and will send it to the board to read and then will send it to Lana ASAP but before Wednesday November 15.

 **b):VICE-PRESIDENT** – Josh VandeKraats

* Nothing to report.
1. **TREASURER** –Theo Dykstra (see attached report)
* Account Balances: General $47440.84, Bingo $58022.10, Casino $13313.99, Raffle (2016) $150.58, Raffle $8979.94 Total $127907.45
* Etransfers have been working well. The form for submitting an e-transfer can be found at http;//bit.ly/mmhapay and the email address to send payments to is payments@milletminorhockey.com. We have processed 12 payments this way.
* Ice payment – James and Theo will look at the ice times at the end of the month in regards to payment to the town of Millet for ice rental.
* Tournament – If cheques need to be written, send Theo details and he can send out the cheque to the necessary address/team.
* Motion to accept the treasurers report: Lisa motioned, Greg seconded. Carried.
1. **REGISTRAR** – Tanya Klapstein
* Atom 1, Atom 2 and Peewee teams are possibly entering Provincials. Coordinators need to speak with the coaches and coaches will need to offer the option and information related to provincials to the parents to make a decision. After parents have had a discussion with the coaches/coordinators, then coordinators can let the registrar know if they are entering Provincials.
* Tanya has had communication with several families who have amounts owing for hockey fees but they should all be cleared by November 20.
* Coaching certifications for Atom 2 and initiation coaches will be completed by November 15.
* Discussion for import players as well as $50 fee to be brought up in new business.
1. **ICE COORDINATOR** – James Rennie
* James is having issues with MMH website when the calendar is changed it isn’t updating automatically. He will call RAMP to hopefully get it sorted out.
* Concerns regarding rink staff have been emailed to CAO Town of Millet. There have been a lot of negative comments and complaints about our association to multiple members of our association. There have been complaints about ice time mixups as well as kids around the rink. Many times these complaints have been happening vocally in front of other community members and guests to our rink from other communities. This is harmful to our association especially when negative remarks are made in front of new MMHA members. There has also been mention of a rink staff being asked to videotape kids which made that employee uncomfortable. We have been told to email issues in the future.
* Mike Jones is the new director and there was a new administration hired as well.
* Calendars handed out.
1. **REFEREE IN CHIEF** –Greg LePage
* There will be a ref clinic November 19 for MMHA refs.
* Greg has done multiple supervisions for games as the season has been getting started.
* Peewee game cancellation – reminder to let the RIC know of game changes so he can cancel the refs.

1. **BINGO COORDINATOR** – vacant
* There was an issue with Bingo when a member was chairing a bingo. There were two members who had confirmed they would be working the bingo, and one member showed up late and the other did not show up at all. Discussion regarding importance of having adequate number or workers at bingo or else we are fined and it is member responsibility to find someone for their shift if they aren’t able to attend unless there are extenuating circumstances.
* Theo motioned: Upon failure to attend a bingo that a member or someone working for a member, the volunteer cheque will immediately be cashed unless there are extenuating circumstances at the discretion of the board. All in favour. Motion carried.
1. **EQUIPMENT** – Sheldon Hanson
* No report.
* There was discussion about getting stick racks for the dressing rooms. Greg mentioned he had prices out racks he saw in a different arena. IT would cost $650 for racks in 4 dressing rooms. Theo motioned for MMHA to pursue a cdonversation with the town and potentially purchase stick racks for each of the 4 dressing rooms with a maximum amount of $1000.00 Josh seconded. All in favour. Carried. Greg will look into this and get back to us.
* Teams would like to get snap ice packs for the first aid kits. We can purchase a box and put them in the coach first aid kids as they are used and needed with extras staying in the equipment manager cage.
1. **PUBLIC RELATIONS** – Kelly Hofstra
* **Oil Kings** - Booked for February 19th 4pm. We need to determine through coordinators who requires complimentary tickets because of the mixup last year. Also when do we want people signed up by.
* **Picture Evening**: Monday December 4. Coordinators please ensure parents know the following information

5:00 SDI Set up / 6:00 Initiation / 6:30 Novice 1 / 6:50 Novice 2 / 7:10 Atom 1 / 7:30 Atom 2 / 7:50 Peewee

* Santa Skate- Spoke with Debbie Herman about asking Steve Bredlow to play Santa. Players treat – Kelly will determine what to purchase for gift bags.
* **Apparel Evening** - All orders for both Chuck and Don were due tonight. Kelly will be going over orders with Chuck in the next day or so. Toques will not be ordered unless we have a high enough order, as we have to order in quantity of 96. Idea of purchasing as an association was discussed but because there would need to be such a high amount purchased, it was decided not to purchase. Overall there wasn’t a huge amount of orders.
* **Gifts for past board members** – Kelly has not purchased the Brew House gift cards yet, but it will get done asap.
* **Sponsorship from McConnels** – all order forms and logo have been sent in. Proofs will be in to Kelly in the next few days and delivery in 2-3 weeks. There was a total of 81 hoodies and 23 coats.
* **Tournament Items** – The medals have all been purchased for a total of $4.15 each. This price is down from previous years as some tournament coordinators indicated. We will have left over medals based on ordering for unknown numbers. They are generic as far as year and level. The plan is to purchase containers to put these in so they will be used next year. Welcome Pack this year for each tournament will be a skate towel and Gatorade. Total cost will be approximately $4.75 which will be down substantially from last years costs. We will likely have towels left over; and a recommendation to put these away for future use. Nicole Vandekraats is taking care of the heart and hustle and player of the game shirts.
* Motion: Tournament coordinators purchase a coach gift out of their tournament funds in lieu of hamburger and pop coupon. All in favour. Carried. Level coordinators will let tournament coordinators know this information.
* **Hockey Day in Millet** - As per James the schedule of the day is as follows:
* 8:30 – 9:30 Initiation (2 games at one time Tom Thumb/Initiation)
* 9:45 – 11:15 Novice 2
* 11:30 – 1:00 Novice 1
* 1:15 – 3:00 Atom 2
* 3:15 – 5:00 Atom 1
* 5:15 – 7:17 Peewee
* 7:30 – 9:30 Coaches vs Fire Fighters
* James had a great idea to encourage families to come back for the final game by having a puck toss or recognizing each team.Thoughts on giving each MILLET player an assigned numbered puck after their game. We will have a puck toss after the first or second period of the coaches and fire fighters game. The prize would likely be purchased by the association for an amount to be determined, unless we can find a great donation. This may encourage more participation in the evening and I do not think we would be required to have licensing because no money is changing hands. Motion: Kelly motioned for Hockey day in Millet, we will purchase a puck toss door prize with 1st $100 gift card to Coach’s Source for Sports in Wetaskiwin, 2nd $50, 3rd & 4th for $25 each. Jennifer seconded. All in favour – carried. Small discussion if puck toss is fair with older kids having an advantage. Determined it is fun and hard to determine throw on ice so we will go through with puck toss for players.
* We will need to have a basket put together by each team. This can happen two ways. Either each family donates money and the manager (or designated person) can purchase and put together a basket or each family donates an item and the manager (or designated person) can put the basket together. Recommend donation of minimum $10 per player
* We will have assigned themes for each each team as follows:
* Initiation – Movie Night
* Tom Thumb – Boys
* Novice 2 – Family Game Night
* Novice 1 – Girls
* Atom 2 – Take It Outside
* Atom 1 – Hockey
* PeeWee – Gift Card Tree
* Pairing will be a bit difficult this year because we have 7 teams. My thoughts were to keep a bit of an age gap between the paired teams. Pairings will be as follows:
* Initiation - Atom 2
* Tom Thumb – Atom 1
* Novice 1 and 2 - Peewee (21 novice players - 16 peewee players)
* Card for Don from Source for Sports – we will purchase a card to send to Don as he had a health issue recently. Also Kelly will make sure there is an extra photo to be given to Don / Coach’s after we get our photos.
* Have one raffle, 50/50, etc set up that will be the same for every tournament without exception.
1. **MIDGET** – No coordinator
* No report.
1. **BANTAM** – No coordinator
* No report.
1. **PEE WEE** – Lisa Henschel
* There have been request for snap ice packs (see above in Equipment coordinator) or Ziploc bags. There will be snap ice packs purchased and kept in the cage for use as needed.
* Peewee team played in a game against the Battle River 2 team in Sedgewick on October 29 where there were inappropriate actions by the opposing players and referees resulting in our team filing complaints to ensure future player safety. NAInterlock had us scheduled to play that same team the past weekend as the Battle River had asked to be placed in Tier 4 instead of 5. Being that we haven’t had our issues resolved, we went to the governor and asked them to reschedule the game. Our governor agreed that it was too soon to play and decided that they would enter the game as a tie 0-0. Lisa spoke with Josh about this and he agrees it would be the best decision. This should not affect our standings as it would be considered a pre season game.
* Peewee team is entering a tournament in Red Deer Feb.2-4.
1. **ATOM** – Cindy McGrath
* IN regards to their home tournament, November 23 is the cancellation date for their tournament if they don’t have enough attendees.
1. **NOVICE** – Lisa Henschel
* Novice 1 : Daysland one day tournament on Jan.6 and are staying in Camrose.
* Novice 2 : They will possibly be attending the Tournament of Champions in March.
* Lisa is looking into getting a plinko board made up for the association from Big Stone Cabinets and this would be in lieu of any donations to any teams for this season.
1. **INITIATION** – Jennifer Overeem
* The teams are attending a tournament in Blackfalds on February 3. They are looking for donations for their home tournament.
1. **OLD BUSINESS**
2. Bingo Hall $50 – we had motioned to give $50 to the bingo hall, but they need a gift card or cash rather than a cheque.
3. AGLC – still in need to have someone fill out the AGLC reports.
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5. **NEW BUSINESS:**
6. Tournament Questions – If you have a potluck for tournament, please ensure everyone keeps that food in the Hugo Witt room, not out in the lobby. Also Atom is having trouble filling their tournament and asked for clarification on when to cancel/reschedule. See above in the Atom report.
7. AGLC – We need a consistent person to fill out the AGLC reports for all the tournaments. Tanya will send out an email asking if there is someone who can help with this for our association.
8. $50 registration fee – Import players. There was discussion about import players and if there is a protocol for allowing players when we have enough numbers for a team. Also discussion related to import players paying the $50 one time registration fee when they aren’t in our area. ? Motions: The $50 registration fee for first time players will apply only to players within MMHA boundaries. All in favour. Carried.
9. Discussion about setting up a protocol or idea of what to follow in regards to allowing import players while not allowing other players to be released.
10. **ADDITIONS TO AGENDA**:
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12. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING:** Monday, December 11 @ 7:30pm

9. **ADJOURNMENT**: Meeting adjourned 9:55pm