

GENERAL MEETING

JANUARY 21, 2017 AT 10:00

FORESTBURG ARENA

Attended: Stephen Holt, Ryan Koeli, Arlene Busat, Ellen Bonde, Bashaw, Battle River, Hughenden, Maskwacis, Ponoka, Thunderstars and Viking

Absent: 3 C's, Chase Rosland, Julie Feragen, Shea Karcha and Amanda Hatto

1. Meeting called to order at 10:15 by Stephen Holt
2. Additions: None
3. Meeting minutes reviewed. Ponoka approved, Hughenden seconded. Carried
4. Treasurer's report: Ellen moved report be approved as presented. Battle River seconded. Carried.
5. President's report: elections up for the AGM are VP Midget/Bantam and secretary
 - There have been zero suspensions due to the penalty rule this year
 - The Hockey Alberta League Committee is looking at standardizing all tiers across the province
 - Hockey Alberta is proposing to take over all the leagues in the 2018-19 season, creating Alberta One League
 - Hockey Alberta wants to remove all body contact in all levels below AA
 - The structure of minor hockey will be reevaluated, reassessed and implemented by Hockey Alberta
 - Hockey Alberta AGM is the last weekend of September and we encourage all associations to attend
6. VP reports:
 - Midget/Bantam: Ryan reports decreased number of emails on the operations of the season
 - Spending a great deal of time coordinating with NAI, 1660 and SP
 - Pee Wee/Atom: Chase reported decreased number of emails
 - Governors are dealing with a lot of the issues
7. Governors Report:
 - Midgets: Lots of game changes
 - 5 coach suspensions
 - Bantams: 7 suspensions within the NCMHA teams
 - Pee Wee: No report
 - Atom: No report

8. New Business:

- Playoff format presented
- Ryan reviewed interlock playoff format
- Approved by all associations involved
- No outstanding fines
- NAI-Interlock: it was a learning year. Identified by all that scheduling was a huge concern and the need for better administration. There will be a meeting next week between the three associations to discuss the strengths and weaknesses. Concern of why the North East league dropped out and it was felt the reason was because of poor communication.
- All felt interlock was good but discussion held about how much energy do we continue to put in if Hockey Alberta is taking over in a year
- Hockey Alberta is aware of all the interlock that has occurred between NAI and the CAHL
- Discussion held how to proceed for next year. Associations were encouraged to speak Hockey Alberta about their concerns about the leagues
- Discussed associations making alternative arrangements for next season
- Discussed inviting Hockey Alberta representative to a meeting to discuss concerns and get answers as to what options the associations have. Meeting to be arranged for Monday February 27 at 7 pm at Forestburg Arena.

9. Adjournment: 12:10. Next meeting April 8, 2017 at 10:30.