**PROPOSAL FOR LEAGUE AND PLAYOFFS**

At our OMAHA meetings, we have discussed thoughts regarding leagues and playoffs. As part of the discussion, there has been ideas as to what can we do for those teams that are knocked out of playoffs early.

The OMAHA Board would like to put forth the following proposal for the 2017-2018 season in regards to league format as well as a new playoff format.

We ask that you review this format with your Board and provide your feedback by July 28th.

A. School is out Dec. 22nd and returns Jan. 08th. The weekend of Dec. 22, 23, 24 and Dec. 29, 30, 31 can be used for league games if Associations so chose to do so.

B. Atom Development Championship weekend will take place Mar. 09 – 11.

C. OMAHA District Championship weekend to take place Mar. 17 – 19.

**Option**

1. **Carded - New Format**

a. Scheduling meeting - Sept. 29 – Oct. 01

b. League play to start Oct. 13 with all games to be completed by Feb. 18th for any leagues that are more than 8 teams in the league. Any league with 8 teams or less are to be completed by Feb. 25th.

c. **Playoffs for all teams would run as follows:**

 i. Any league with more than 8 teams (split off into Divisions)

 would have the weekend of Feb. 23, 24, 25 to complete a playoff tournament, with

 the top 2 teams playing off in the best of 3 games on the weekend of Mar. 02 – 04.

 All teams participating would pay a fee to cover ice and officials for the playoff

 weekend of Feb. 23 – 25.

 ii. Any league with 8 teams or less would have the playoff weekend of Mar. 02 – 04 to

 run a playoff series with the winner moving on to the BC Hockey Championships.

 As above, all teams would pay a fee to cover ice and officials for the weekend of

 Mar. 02 – 04.

1. **Recreation - New Format**

a. Scheduling meeting - Atom Development - Oct. 13th

 - Thompson Cariboo - Sept. 29 – Oct. 01

 - South Central - Oct. 13 - 14

 b. League play to start Oct. 20th with league play for Atom Development s to be

 completed by Mar. 04. Recreation league play to be completed by Feb. 25th.

 c. **Playoffs for all teams would run as follows;**

 i. Any league with more than 8 teams would have the playoff weekend of

 Mar. 02 - 04 to complete, with the top 2 teams playing off in the best of 3 games

 on the weekend of Mar. 09 – 11. All teams participating would pay a fee to cover

 ice and officials for the playoff weekend of Mar. 02-04.

 ii. Any league with 8 teams or less would have the weekend of Mar. 09 – 11 to run a

 playoff series the winner moving on to the OMAHA District Championships

 As above, all teams would pay a fee to cover ice and officials for the weekend of

 Mar. 09 – 11.