

Athabasca & District Minor Hockey Association
Executive Meeting
Tuesday, March 20, 2018
7:00 PM – Multiplex



Attendance: Randy Heck, Jennifer Miller, Kelly Rich, Evan Wagner, Jay Alix, Carrie Duncan, Kevin Danyluk, Tracey Woodburn, Janine White, Matt Leriger, Russ Strathdee, Marnie Cormier, Katherine Tremblay, Erin Francis, Colin Hefferan
Regrets: Sandra Hayward, Rachel Ramey, Jason Zayezierski, Ron Bay, Curtis Creaser

1.0 Call to Order by Randy at 7:06pm

2.0 Approval of Agenda

Motioned by Jen; Seconded - **Motion Carried**

3.0 Approval of Minutes

- From February 22, 2018

Motioned by Jay; Seconded - **Motion Carried**

4.0 Business Arising from the Minutes

4.1. Evaluation dates (Curtis)

- September 17-20, 2018 *Monday-Thursday*, five sessions in the evening starting at 4:00pm (already booked with Multiplex)
- Costs less than the company used for the previous two years

4.2. Updated policies (Tracey)

- tabled

4.3. Conditioning camp (Carrie)

- Two weeks of 4-day “mini-camps” camps proposed in the first weeks of September (Tuesday to Friday)
- Will introduce drills which will be used during Evaluations
- Both *Britney Miller Skating* clinic and a skills clinic run by Curtis Creaser
- Coaching courses level 1 and 2 for Saturday and Sunday to be booked September 8th and 9th.
- Costs: *Britney Miller Skating/power skating* \$1750 x four days
- Costs: *Curtis Creaser Camp/skills* \$500 x four days

MOTION: “To pay all costs for the ADMHA Mini-Camp to run in September 2018, up to \$10,000.”

Motion by Carrie; Seconded – **Motion carried**

4.4. College Hockey (Kelly/Jen)

- More ACHC sub-committee volunteers are needed; if you think of anyone, please pass the names on to the co-chairs
- Brad or Jeff will discuss the ACHC at the AGM

4.5. Canadiens game report (Randy)

- Tabled

4.6. Letter to player’s family (Randy)

- Sent

4.7. Boyle amalgamation update (Randy)

- The NAI League does has requested that Athabasca teams do not play games in Boyle as Boyle is still part of the North East League. Athabasca can practice there but games should be booked in Calling Lake rather than Boyle if necessary.

- Boyle and Athabasca cannot consider amalgamation this season as Boyle has already paid their league fees with the North East League.
- NAI League note: You cannot try out for AA and be evaluated in your hometown.
- Randy will attend the Boyle AGM

5.0 Other/New Business

5.1. Email motions (Tracey)

(2018-03-04) **MOTION 1:** "ADMHA will cover the cost of a Zone 3 Champion banner for the Female Hawks."

Motioned by Rachel; Seconded- **Motion carried**

(2018-03-04) **MOTION 2:** "ADMHA will cover the Bantam Female team provincial tournament entry cost (up to \$1000)."

Motioned by Rachel; Seconded- **Motion carried**

(2018-03-06) **MOTION 3:** "ADMHA will allow the Bantam Female team to fundraise, including a hot dog sale and a bottle drive, to a maximum of \$3,000 to help offset some of the team expenses for the tournament."

Motioned by Rachel; Seconded- **Motion carried**

6.0 AHPA (Athabasca Hockey Parents Association)

6.1. Chairperson – *Kelly Rich*

- Awards Night update
 - Email reminder sent to coaches for award winners' names
 - Directors please have your banners brought to the AGM as they will be displayed at Award's Night
- Opt-out fee
 - ADMHA needs to set a reasonable fee for families to opt-out of volunteering; \$800 per player is too much.

MOTION: "To set the 'volunteer opt-out' fee at \$500 per family."

Motion by Kelly; Seconded – **Motion carried**

6.2. Treasurer – *Janine White (nothing)*

7.0 Treasurer – **Sandra Hayward** (away)

7.1. Financial Reports

- Wording needs to be fixed on the current registration package as it can be interpreted that the \$100 discount can be claimed if you register Online. Change this to make it clear you need to be at the AGM to receive the discount.
- Volunteer shifts are unfair when you compare the Casino vs. the ACHC. It is difficult to balance people working 2-days at a casino and those working only 6 hours at the ACHC. Suggestion – can we somehow give a credit towards next season registration as well as the hours for volunteer?

MOTION: "Families who attend a casino will be reimbursed \$100 from registration per family."

Motion by Kelly; Seconded – **Motion carried**

8.0 League Representative - *Kevin Danyluk*

- Kevin will write a short description about the League Representative and Governor position what it entails to be presented at the AGM

9.0 Hockey Alberta / Registrar – *Marnie Cormier*

- Registration package updates (minor Hockey fees)
 - No current raise in registration fees
 - Suggest that we move registration cut-off date to August 1st instead of the 18th
 - ADMHA can publicize this on the website and run an ad in the Advocate the same as last year (asking for coaches, reminding about the cut-off date).

10.0 Division Directors

10.1. Initiation – *Matt Leriger*

- Initiation Tournament date change
 - Book off the dates now for next December for a set tournament early In December instead of the usual Christmas to New Year's date.
- Athabasca should consider instituting Hockey Alberta's "best practices" which include:
 - Coach to player ration 5:1 is preferable according to Hockey Alberta, this year ADMHA ratio was approximately 10:1
 - Practice time, no earlier than 5:00pm on weeknights; and on weekends, no earlier than 9:00am. Early practice times contribute to poor coach/player ratios. It is difficult to have coaches arrive at 3:50pm.
 - Hockey Albert recommends players be 5-6 years old, not any younger, in the Initiation level.
 - Need to purchase bigger Initiation-sized nets. Erin will research this and discuss storage with the Multiplex. Dimensions are on the Hockey Alberta site
- Discussion: New minimum age will be set. Players must be 5-years-old as of December 31st of current registration year.
- Suggest a first-year parent/ new player orientation to talk about equipment needs and expectations to be organized by the Initiation Director and Coaching Director.

Action Items:

- Erin will research purchasing new Initiation nets and storage possibilities.
- Schedule can be revisited with new Ice Scheduler
- Orientation Session to be planned with new Initiation Director

10.2. Novice – *Katherine Tremblay*

- Success for the three Novice teams, a Consolation banner and a Bronze banner

10.3. Atom – *Evan Wagner*

- Success for the three Atom teams, a Consolation banner, a Bronze banner and 4th place

10.4. Pee Wee – *Colin Hefferan*

- Successes for both teams, a Bronze banner and 4th place

10.5. *Female Hockey – Rachel Ramey (away)*

- Provincials was a great weekend 4th place overall

10.6. Bantam – *Jay Alix*

- Won gold at Provincials, still playing games for the League Bronze banner
- Bantam B consolation round winners

10.7. Midget – *Carrie Duncan*

- Midget A playing for consolation; Midget B lost consolation round robin

11.0 Equipment Manager – Erin Francis

- Emails will be sent out with instructions for year-end jersey care, etc.

12.0 Coaching Director – Curtis Creaser (away)

13.0 Game & Conduct Director – Jason Zayezierski (away)

- Do not sign the Code and Conduct at the AGM, we will do this as packages for the team at the beginning of the year, so take out of the registration package.

14.0 Ice Scheduler – Russ Strathdee

- Ice will be out on Monday

15.0 Referee in Chief – Ron Bay (away)

16.0 Information/Roundtable (none)

17.0 Next Meeting Date AGM, April 9th, 2018

18.0 Adjournment 8:48pm by Randy Heck