Athabasca and District Minor Hockey Association 2024 Annual General Meeting Tuesday, April 30, 2024 7:00 p.m. Athabasca Regional Multiplex



1.0 Call to Order by President Evan Wagner at 7:03 PM

2.0 Approval of Agenda

2023-1 Motion to approve the agenda as presented by Frazer Andrews **Motion carried.**

3.0 Approval of Previous Minutes

2023-2 Motion to approve the minutes of the ADMHA 2023 AGM by Donny Duncan **Motino carried.**

4.0 ADMHA President's Report

- 4.1 172 registered, 168 players completed the season, 130 hockey families.
- 4.2 42-U18, 40-U15: oversized rostered due to injuries, work, other commitments.
- 4.3 U13-29, U11-24, U9-13, U7-20
- 4.4 Teams were tiered well, many teams finished near the top, finished second.
- 4.5 Bar Down Education for evaluations, booked again for upcoming season. ADMHA will refine process, with some small improvements over last year. Any changes to evaluation policy will be published at least one week before stat of evaluations.
- 4.6 Development: Curtis Creaser for player and coach development and checking clinic. Would like to bring in alternative sources.
- 4.7 3 fundraisers: hockey pools, 2 raffle box and Calahoo meat sales. Were successful.
- 4.8 Casino scheduled for September; all volunteer positions are filled.
- 4.9 NEAHL league: took all but a few former NAI teams.
 - 4.9.1 Tried to keep travel reasonable, based on tiering and geographical locations.
 - 4.9.2 Concerns around scheduling, especially in preseason; concerns with playoff format.
 - 4.9.3 Keep with divisional structure, 4 teams per division, 20 games total.
 - 4.9.4 Tiering: Associations are expected to follow HA's Alberta One hockey model. Challenges are that teams (U18) cannot be forced to play NBC if they want to play body checking.
 - 4.9.5 Will continue to use combined tiers to keep travel reasonable. Will retier at Christmas
 - 4.9.6 Playoffs: will have consistent playoff formats across the divisions,4.9.6.1 U11/U13 will have tournament style elimination4.9.6.2 U15/U18 best of 3 series, with modified best of 3 for all but final
 - 4.9.7 League is committed to improving pre-season scheduling, better coordination among tiers within age groups to be released at around the same time (aim for Monday afternoon)

- 4.9.8 Not interested in hiring a central scheduler, will continue with Managers scheduling games themselves. Will work towards better coordination with division governors.
- 4.10 Increased registration fees by 5% from U11 to U18. Multiplex is increasing ice fees by 3%, HA increasing insurance fees.
 - 4.10.1 First increase in fees since 2017
 - 4.10.2 Kept them the same at U9 and U7 to encourage higher registration numbers

5.0 ADMHA Treasurer's Report

- 5.1. Profit/Loss: Savings account is dwindling very quickly, the revenue from the casino is dwindling year over year, at a loss for the 2023/02024 season
- 5.2. 6.7% increase in ice fees from 2022/2023 into 2023/24 season
- 5.3. Referee costs are staying consistent
- 5.4. Spent \$2600 more in development. Considering power skating, must consider higher costs.
- 5.5. \$3800 discounted in new player discounts

6.0 General Questions

- **6.1** Evaluation process could use some work, the higher number being automatically assigned to the lower team is a disservice to that player as far as development and factoring in the higher level of hockey and the toll on the body.
- -Answer: New board can revise policy and will take suggestion under advisement
- **6.2** Questioning Bar Down and their process. Could consider an unbiased panel (not a member of the board or a parent of a registered hockey parent) to review the evaluation results.
- -Answer: In house evaluations were not successful when previously attempted, due to harassment in the community. ADMHA's stance has been to not put people into that position. Board may consider revising the results of the evaluators for the odd placements

7.0 Elections

7.1. Vice-President

Donny Duncan nominates Adam Bickerstaff, has accepted the nomination to Evan. Second: Tammy. Evan closes nominations.

Adam Bickerstaff is elected by acclamation

7.2. Operations Director

Donny Duncan nominates Joel Kiselyk, Joel has accepted Nomination, seconded by Ben Burton. Evan closes nomination

Joel Kiselyk is elected by acclamation

7.3. Treasurer

Tammy nominates Keagan Maki. Keagan will accept provided that she intends to step down after 1 year. Second by Jessica. Evan closes nominations.

Keagan Maki is elected by acclamation.

7.4. Member at Large

Jerry Letendre has expressed interest in continuing, barring any new nominations. Evan will notify Jerry that will continue with the position.

8.0 Key Volunteer Roles

8.1. Registrar

No nominations, Shelly will continue the role. Looking for someone to shadow the role.

8.2. Ice Scheduler Coordinator

Tammy will continue for one year, but this is the last year. Need someone to shadow Melissa Chaput has volunteered to shadow Tammy as ice scheduler

8.3. Volunteer Coordinator

Jessica Wallace has volunteered for position

8.4. Equipment Coordinator

Laurie will continue as equipment coordinator

8.5. Referee in Chief

Crystal Holdis will continue, looking for someone to shadow.

8.6. (amendment to agenda) Member Financial Audit (2 people) (2022/23 season and the 2023/24 season)

Dawn Safar and Cindy Nichol have volunteered

9.0 Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Tammy Grenier. Meeting adjourned at 8:06 PM