

**Battle River Minor Hockey Association
Executive and Operational Meeting
Sedgewick Arena @ 7 p.m.
November 22, 2022**

Present: Marcy Lazarick, Greg Helperl, Jill Wallace, Aleisha Brodie, Charlene Sutter, Ken Martin, Jenine Ruzicka, James Steil, Sheldon Oliver, Tom Bahm, Charles Bullee, Kelvin Tuftin, Vince Edwards, Rick Kryes, Jordy Cox

M. Lazarick called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Past meeting minutes were sent out prior to the meeting for everyone to read

MOVED by J. Wallace to accept the minutes with the change to pay Cole \$50/hour instead of the \$25/hour listed. **Carried**

Agenda

Moved by J. Steil to accept the agenda with the addition to New Business c) Affiliation Reminder. **Carried**

Financial Report:

A copy of the Financials is hereto attached and form part of these minutes.

- We have received about ¾ of the grant money, but we still need to get some pictures of the Coach Development for all age group and for the female age groups as well.

Operating Committee Reports

U7 – Aleisha Brodie – Nothing really new, started playing regular games and not winning very many.

U13 – James Steil -Doing good, won the Stettler Tournament in their Division, won against 3C's and Sylvan, think they got Tiered in the right area.

U15 – Ken Martin – U151 is well settled, U15 had to black out some days. Would like to know if they can access the Camera to tape? Ken will talk to Clark Leslie about that as he installed. Would like to know when the arena is open when there are games, eg an hour or 2 hours before. A team arrived 2 hours before a game and the arena in Killam was not open. The Board will find out and let him know.

U18 – Marcy Lazarick – Have a new suspension, Tiering is good and travel isn't bad

U11/13 Female – Jenine Ruzicka – U11 had to cancel an exhibition game due to sickness. U13 had a win and it really helped with their confidence.

U15/18 Female – Doing good, both team are good competitors and both sitting near top of league

Equipment Manger – Jordy Cox – Small net ads are up, had some interest but have not sold yet. New jersey cresting is coming off, if happens again they will be sent back to all get redone at their cost and

be back within two days, have enough Letter sets but U13 is missing a C and is taking forever to get it, Jordy would like some more practice equipment such as an edge box or shooter tutor but both are not cheap. We are receiving a grant and will be passing it to the Equipment Manager to be able to purchase practice equipment.

Fundraising – Candace MacKinnon – Tickets are ready for pick up and will be distributed the beginning of December

Referee in Chief – Tate Sutter - Once the rest of the seasons games are out, please get them to Kelvin ASAP so we can make sure we can get officials for every game.

Had an incident against an official at one of our games that then went out of the arena and affected this person at their place of employment. Reminder that there are rules that state that people can be banned from the arenas if this occurs, this is a no tolerance situation. The official has now decided to not work that age group anymore. The official does not want to put an official complaint in so an email will be sent out to remind people of the rules. Tate has talked to the League Chair wondering if it is a possibility for U15 and U18 to possibly move some games from weekends to weekdays if the game is within a 100 km radius? This would help with the lack of officials., If anyone has any problems with officials, please feel free to contact either Tate or Kelvin.

Referee Assignor- Kelvin Tuftin – Had a few situations but is running well, had to cancel a game for u18 due to no officials, this should get better once the schedule is out fully, we have a new official, her name is Hope Palmer

Player Development – Sheldon Oliver – Everything is running until Christmas and hopefully will pick up and run after the New Year as well.

League Rep Female – Charles Bullee – Everything is going well

Discipline Director – Tom Bahm – Had one complaint and has been passed back to the Manager

Ice Allocator – Charlene Sutter – CAHL full schedule will be coming out soon, we may see some TBA's but she will work to find a slot for those.

Registrar – Rick Kryz – Still waiting on A lot of Vulnerable Sector Checks, the rule is that everything should be in by the 15th or you won't be allowed to be on the bench. We will be giving everyone to the end of the month to get all vulnerable sector checks in and if not in they won't be allowed on the bench.

New Business

a) **U7 & U9 Half Ice Rules** – There has been some confusion because the Hockey Canada and the Hockey Alberta Rules are not the same for U7 and U9 Hockey. Battle River Knights has to follow the Hockey Alberta Rules that states that all U9 teams must play half ice for the entire season. The Battle River Minor Hockey Association will be following these rules and expect all U7 and U9 teams to adhere to these rules.

b) **Minor Hockey Weekend** – Candace will not be at Minor Hockey weekend so will need someone to handle the raffle table and 50/50 draw. An email will be sent out to all teams stating that they need 1

person from every hockey team to go on the Minor Hockey Weekend Committee. Again this year every team will be expected to put some money towards that weekend, U7 and U9 will jointly pay \$250 and U11-U18 teams must give \$150 each.

c) **Affiliation Reminder** – just a reminder how to affiliate, please go coach to coach first then the coach will go to the Governor then the Governor will talk to the Registrar. You can not affiliate a kid if they are taking a spot of someone who is suspended

Next Meeting: January 10/23 at the Killam Multipurpose Room at 7 p.m.

Adjourned by M. Lazarick @ 8:00 p.m.

President

Secretary