

**Battle River Minor Hockey Association
Executive and Operational Meeting
Killam Multi Purpose Room @ 7 p.m.
October 26, 2022**

Present: Cory Gagnon, Marcy Lazarick, Greg Helperl, Jill Wallace, Aleisha Brodie, Micheal Northey, Amy Jackson, Charlene Sutter, Ken Martin, Jenine Ruzicka, Shannon Sears, James Steil, Sheldon Oliver, Tom Bahm, Candace MacKinnon

Cory 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 T. Bahm to accept the minutes from September 6, 2022, Executive Minutes from September 21, 2022 and Executive Minutes from October 17, 2022 as presented **Carried**

Agenda

Moved by M. Lazarick to accept the Agenda as presented. **Carried**

President Report:

- New Player Development person is Sheldon Oliver – Thank you for stepping up
- Referee in Chief Tate Sutter – Thank you for stepping up
- Referee Assignor – Kelvin Tuftin
- A suspension was lifted off a past player so he could ref
- we had some U13 kids come from Forestburg to increase our numbers
- Bashaw Goalie came and is now playing on our U182 team
- Pictures are done for the year
- Memory mates have to be purchased upfront so we can get pictures done as there is no guarantee that anyone will by pictures and this is a guarantee that she will make some money for coming to take pictures for our teams
- 2 new suspensions for U181 – one, one game suspension and one, four game suspension

MOVED by J. Wallace to accept the President Report for October 17, 2022 as given. **Carried**

Financial Report:

- A copy of The Profit Loss Report and Balance Sheet up to October 25, 2022 is hereto attached and form a part of these minutes
- We will be adding some information to the job description for the Treasurer in the Bylaws at the next AGM about AGLC Reporting and due dates (due by mid December) and the Annual Society Return and due dates (due October 31) so we have a permanent record of when each has to be done.
- We were rewarded a grant when we went to work the Oilers 50/50, we were rewarded \$17,500 and those proceeds will be used for Female Programs - \$4,725, Coach Development - \$7560 and Low Income \$5000 with the remainder of the money going towards player or coach development.
- Everything is getting finished up at the bank, all U7 and U9 teams will receive \$750 in their account and all the U11 to U18 teams will receive \$1000 in their accounts. At the end of the year the bank account has to have at the very least the same amount that they started with.

MOVED by M. Northey to approved the Financial Report as given.

Carried

We had to add two bank accounts to Vision Credit Union for BRK, we are changing account from U13B to U7B and creating a U9B Account.

MOVED by J. Steil to accept the change of account U13B to U7B and create the account for U9B at the Vision Credit Union.

Carried

Operating Committee Reports

U7 – Aleisha Brodie – Would like to start the beginning of October next year, Tournament will be on December 3, 2022 at Sedgewick Arena. Crazy start to the year but it is settling down now, majority of the team is first year players

U9 – Michael Northey – Crazy start to the year, had trouble getting a second Manager but one is in place now, 2 U9 teams this year one with 12 and one with 11.

U11 – Amy Jackson – 4 tiering games so far with 2 more to go, have a really good manager this year

U13 – James Steil -4 tiering games so far, believe that they will be playing Tier 5, Had a bottle drive fundraiser, going to a Stettler Tournament in November where they will be playing Tier 4 and 5/6 teams

U15 – Ken Martin – Up and running, The Tier 2 team is doing well while the Tier 3 team is not doing as well. Tier 2 team will be going to a tournament on January 4-6, 2023. Need clarification on some of the guideline regarding some decisions made about player placement and will talk to the Executive after this meeting

U18 – Marcy Lazarick – Tier 2 team is doing well but have 2 suspended players and are leading in penalty minutes, Tier 3 team is not doing as well, they are getting a new player and an injured player will be coming back, Tier 3 team is 2nd in penalty minutes

U11/13 Female – Jenine Ruzicka – Sunday the team will be playing their first league game, U11 girls will be in Irma and U13 will be in Glendon against Fort Mac., getting the last of the information into the league

U15/18 Female – Not much to talk about, some U18 girls were vapping in the public washrooms at the Arena, they will be reminded of our vapping policy

Equipment Manger – Jordy Cox – New Jerseys are in and getting sent away for stitching, Thank you to our sponsors Rick Snethun and Amped. When sewing letters on if everyone could use a loose stitch it would work better as the tight stitch is starting to wreck the jerseys. We have 8 small nets that can no longer be used by BRK as they do not fit in any of the age group size requirements

MOVED by A. Jackson to try to sell the 8 little nets that BRK owns.

CARRIED

MOVED J. Wallace to have the BRK sponsorship put on the jerseys at an amount of \$1000.00

2nd by A. Brodie

CARRIED

Fundraising – Candace MacKinnon – Have the licence ready for Fundraising, will be handing out the tickets December 1, 2022.

Referee in Chief – Tate Sutter - We have 2 Level 2 and 9 Level 1s, There was some confusion as to what the difference between mileage and travel time is, Tate explained that mileage is whatever km any ref

travels at 41 cents/km while Travel is paid out for anything over 50 km as it is a kind of payment for refs taking a huge time out of their day during travel and maybe only being able to ref one game. Lots of clinics happening for potential refs to take.

Refree Assignor- Kelvin Tuftin – the topic of using the newer refs for u9 came up again as it would be a great training opportunity. All refs must be booked through Kelvin Tuftin for the u9 games.

MOVED by R. Krys to start using refs for U9 at a cost of \$20/game.

CARRIED

Website Manager – Michael Northey – Nothing too new, getting the hang of RAMP and putting information on the website, he has not been putting much on Social Media at this point.

Governor Female –Jenine Ruzicka - League meeting in Vermilion

Player Development – Sheldon Oliver– Adam Creasy and Cole Bullee have made a schedule to hit all ages of BRK during practice times, Adam is being paid \$50/hr and the Board is thinking that we should pay Cole \$25.

MOVED by J. Wallace to pay Cole Bullee \$25/hr to do coaching clinics with all BRK Goalies.

Chance has also lined up times to come and do player development within practice times, he will be having Reanna helping the female hockey teams and chance will help the males, they are open to ideas of what coaches would like to work on and they will come up with drills to help them.

CAHL Governor Male – Vince Edwards – No Report

League Rep Female – Charles Bullee – No Report

Discipline Director – Tom Bahm – Nothing to report at this time, was a small complaint to deal with earlier in the year from the previous year, but has been dealt with

Ice Allocator – Charlene Sutter – Charlene has created a live document that all managers can use to put their practice and game hours on. This new document will count down the number of hours you have available so all managers can know where they are at, at all times. Char would like to stress that even if you are wanting to practice at another arena to go through her, so that BRK will get billed and not the team itself, Char likes the CAHL ice scheduling, at this time it is not 50/50 for ice times in both arenas but this will get fixed throughout the year

Old Business

a) **Commitment Hour and Fundraising Checks** – The Board is reinstating both checks this year. Each family must provide a \$300 check for Commitment hours as well as a \$400 check for fundraising. If you have families that have already completed their commitment hours, they do not have to pay the \$300.

New Business

a) **Pilot Program** – A copy of the pilot program for a U7 hockey program request is hereto attached and form a part of these minutes. Discussion ensued about the program but there were a lot of questions that could not be answered, and they would like to defer this until the January 2023 meeting.

b) **Affiliation of Teams** - The CAHL process of affiliation is different than the NAI League, you must fill a form out and the CAHL will let you know if you can affiliate or not and it is only on a per game basis, so

there is more of a process then there was before and takes a few days to hear back if it is approved or not.

Affiliation rules state that players can affiliate up in similar age groups. (Again, with the CAHL's permission) but if you are moving up to the next age group it will only be the 2nd year players. (And again, only with the CAHL's permission.)

The female teams will still process Affiliations as normal for their league.

Managers should confirm with Rick ASAP that affiliations are in place on the HA registration site.

c) **Minor Hockey Weekend** – We have too many teams to handle in one facility this year so we will have to use both Killam and Sedgewick arenas. We will get more into exactly what we are doing in each arena at a later date when the Minor Hockey Weekend Committee is formed. The Minor Hockey weekend will be on January 27, 28 and 29, 2023.

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Next Meeting: November 22/22 @ 7 p.m. in Sedgewick Arena

Adjourned by C. Gagnon @ 8:46 p.m.

President

Secretary