



**BLACKFALDS MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING**

**Minutes**

**AG ROOM**

**August 9, 2022 | 7:00 PM**

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**ATTENDEES:**

Brad Harnack  
Katie Bradley  
Kyle Drouin  
Kathleen Buckman

Dion Nicolas  
Tyne Fauth  
Nancy Morin

Michelle Brown  
Megan Guynup  
Amanda Hatto

**REGRETS:**

Kurtis Kenway  
Haley Kirsch

Darryl Taylor

Tyler Boruck

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Special Guests:

Chair: Brad Harnack

Minutes: Michelle Brown

CALL TO ORDER: 7:04pm

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES: Katie Bradley and Brad Harnack

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Dion Nicolas and Nancy Morin

**EXECUTIVE REPORTS:**

**4.1 President**

**4.1.1 U9**

- Concerns presented regarding to evaluations being held over the long weekend
- All designated ice has been submitted to the town
- The timelines needed to be bumped to accommodate all stakeholders involved with ice scheduling
- CAHL U9 tiering has been bumped to early October – sadly with lack of ice opportunity and with more stakeholders this change needed to happen
- Only one ice surface until 3rd week of September

**4.1.2 BMHA Oilers Night**

- Met with Oiler representative
- 2 groups going – one for younger and older (age appropriate)
- U13-U18 will be Jan 5th Edtn vs NY



- Pups – U11 Jan 7th Edtn vs Colorado
- Pkg options will be presented to teams once confirmed
- Various pricing available – all will be presented to teams

#### 4.1.3 Player Transfer request LMHA

- LMHA has emailed indicating that a former BMHA player has requested to return to BMHA
- side bar – Sylvan Lake players from last year would also like to return to BMHA. They have been informed they need to be released first.
- U11 has 6 kids trying out for development CAS program

#### 4.1.4 2022 Incident

- Received an email from parent of child who was [REDACTED]
- Parent is not happy with how it was handled
- Unfortunately, grievance process is past due
- Additionally, BMHA cannot pursue unless a grievance is submitted
- A response email has been drafted to address the concerns that reflect the need for grievance

#### 4.1.5. Joel Johnson

- Joel not happy with the timeline of response
- Brad responded with board decision stays and no action in adding an assistant Coach Liaison

#### 4.1.6 Goaltending

- Email concern about the amount of goalies
- Suggestion has been to offer free registration to any willing goalie
- Leduc and Drum MHA offers free registration
- Concern about setting precedent with free registration
- Suggestion about purchase additional sets of goalie gear to provide access to interested goalies to equipment
- Discussion on how to address peaking interest in younger age groups
- Suggestion on investing in more goalie development training
- Suggestion about surveying membership about barriers to exploring goalie development
- “Come Try Goalie” ideas
- Explore partnership with AJHL goalies
- **ACTION:** Michelle to re-approach Logan K to potentially lead a goalie development session for BMHA bi-monthly



#### 4.2 Vice President

- Director Status - Losing a Losing Battle

#### Pups

U7 – Stephan Morin

U9 – Cheryl Bereniak

U11 -

U13 – Kari Predenchuk maybe?

U15 -

U18

- Incentive for Directors ?

- Not at this time.

- Another round of direct applications

- **ACTION:** Michelle B to do one more social campaign seeking U11, U13 and U15/18

#### 4.3 Past President

#### 4.4 Secretary / Web Admin

4.4.1 IRJC has invited BMHA to attend the Meet the Teacher Night on Thursday, September 8 from 4-7pm: Do we have capacity to attend?

- Michelle to confirm BMHA will attend – will create shifts

- Table cloth, registration info, jerseys, GOALIE recruitment

4.4.2 Require all new Director info: name, phone, email, to create/update email and contact info for website

**ACTION:** Michelle remove Director email access

- will create announcement reflecting Directors once compiled

4.4.3 Require Evaluation process packages to update website

- **ACTION** – Kyle to submit to Michelle once completed for website

#### 4.5 Treasurer Liaison

- No financials this month. New accountant having difficulty in transitioning SAGE info to Quickbooks

- Will provide info as soon as we receive updated info from new Accountant

- Received cheque from Casino for approximately \$18K

- Should have all bingo cheques by now



#### 4.6 Registrar

##### 4.6.1 Update on registration numbers

246 registrants total

Pups 6

U7 40

U9 46

U11 is at 63 players

U13 36

U15 39

U18 16

##### 4.6.2 Discuss changes to registration form for next year

- missing player position

- and ask last association played for

- One player that originally was transferred in from Leduc is not moving to Blackfalds anymore

- Two requests for overage consideration – denied

#### 4.7 Ice Scheduler

- Schedule was completed

- Will be revising schedule to accommodate additional U11 teams

#### 4.8 Coach Liaison / Player Development

##### 4.8.1 Prospective Coaches

- Took the registration info and made lists from there of possible coaches.
- 10 Head Coach. One more possible option.
- 40ish potential assistant coaches.
- Total of XX applications received.

##### 4.8.2 Potential head coaches by division that we have:

- U7 - 1
- U9 - 1
- U11 - 3
- U13 - 2
- U15 - 2
- U18 - 1

##### 4.8.3 Coach Interviews

- Coach interviews are booked for the 10th, 15th, and 16th.



#### 4.8.4 Evaluations

- Working Free skate and evaluation skate plans. Should be ready next week.  
U15 – B&W games will be contact – need to communicate to this age division

#### 4.9 Fundraiser / Pics / Fit Night

- First 50/50 out at Managers Mtg – Draw for Oct, Dec, Feb, Cody Game
- Need to still finalize picture date
- Table cloths order – approx. \$459
- Table runner - \$156
- Golf Tourne
  - 84 golfers registered
  - t off at 1pm
  - All prizing collected
  - swag bags are done
  - 2 food holes
  - 2 drink holes – Field & Forge, Troubled T
  - Steak dinner after
  - Silent Auction Items
  - Games on site
  - Planning and facilitating was difficult for this years tournament
  - Feedback would like to see this tournament on the weekend with more a focus on membership invites

#### 4.10 Tournament Coordinator

##### 4.10.1 Cody Dennis game

- Working with Dennis family to pick a date – April 1st – tentatively

#### 4.11 Equipment Manager

##### 4.11.1 Purchases

Ordered a second set of U15 Jerseys. 44 Jerseys Cost \$3,476.00

Ordered 200 Socks to be able to sell to members. Will sell them for \$35.00ea.

4.11.2 Goalie Gear: Gear was sorted into the 4-U9 and 4-U11 teams and Shannon Humphry is fixing some of the damaged parts and straps. Not all sets are complete, some more gear will need to be purchased to complete the sets. Estimating \$1,700.00-\$2,000.00 to complete these sets.

**ACTION:** Social media post requesting donated junior goalie gear



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4.11.3 U11 Jerseys: AtoMc can not provide us with the 4th set of Jerseys, we will have to use one of our old BMHA jersey sets. We will need to decide what team will have to wear a different set of jerseys. As well AtoMc sends socks with jersey sets, so there is a potential that we do not have enough socks to give to all U11 players. We will have to wait and see the final registration numbers before we know.

- **ACTION:** Kurtis to get quote on ordering an additional set for U11 atomic jerseys through McDonalds

4.11.4 Misc Gear: We need to order pucks and ice packs est. \$200

4.11.5 Centre Ice logo - \$2300 was quote

- waiting to hear back on a reduced rate
- Request a quote for half the size

4.12 Ref Assignor / Referee In Chief

4.13 Directors

1. CAHL Director Report

- See attached CAHL summary
- Sept 15th is the orientation meeting for all new board mtgs

2. Manager Liaison Director

- Halfway through completing a manual for the managers
- **ACTION:** Michelle B to see about additional email accounts

3. Diversity and Inclusion Director

- Brad to connect with Shannon H on candidacy

4. Initiation / Pups Director

5. Novice Director

6. Atom Director

7. Pee Wee Director

8. Bantam / Midget Director

5 NEW BUSINESS

6 OUTSTANDING BUSINESS

7 ACTION ITEMS NEXT MEETING

8 ADJOURNMENT ... 9:35pm



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Brad Harnack – President

Executive Member (position, name, signature)