

BLACKFALDS MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING Blackfalds Multiplex Ag Room Meeting Minutes Tuesday, December 10, 2024 7:00 PM

ATTENDEES:

Brad Harnack

Elton St. John Shalynn Morgan

Aimee Donauer

Corey Stormoen Jessica Gallant

Suzie Lobert

Cheryl Berenik

REGRETS:

Stephane Morin Nancy Morin

Shannon Humphrey

Jamie Sliger

Anthony Brake

Dallas Traill

Kyle Drouin

Tyne Fauth

Special Guests:

Chair: Kyle Drouin

Minutes: Suzie Lobert

1 CALL TO ORDER: 7:10 p.m.

2 APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES: Aimee Donauer & Kyle Drouin

3 APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Tyne Fauth, Brad Harnack

4 EXECUTIVE REPORTS:

4.1 President

4.1.1 Hockey Alberta AGM

 Hockey Canada Registration rates will be increased by \$11 per player for next season; need to keep this in mind for next season registration fees.

4.1.2 TBA Games

• If it's a home game - must be played at home in either Blackfalds or Clive.

4.1.3 Junior Coaches

- Junior coaches should not be included on coaches chat; they are not to be included in any discussions regarding players or parents of the team.
- To be added to junior coaches procedure / bylaws

4.1.4 U15/U18 Tournament

- Tournament committee wanted to run with 3 refs for the tournament except in finals where there would be 4. Association met and it was decided to do a 3 man system for tier 3 games (U18-2 and U15-2) and 4 man for tier 2 games (U18-1 and U15-1). The tournament will be starting with a deficit of \$800 to start the tournament. Discussion on how this was communicated between the tournament committee and board.
- Cheryl to send full ref schedule to Kyle



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4.2 Vice President

- 4.2.1 Cody Dennis Items Approved have they been ordered?
 - Dallas to order items as per email sent by Aimee; reviewed / confirmed list.
 - Cody Dennis game will be March 15

4.2.2 Fundraising Idea from U13 Parent

- Coffee Fundraiser could be done as a team fundraiser or as an association.
- Aimee to email out information to the board for review discussion at January meeting.

4.2.3 3rd Jersey & Policy

- Reviewed recommended policy reword usage to include 5 games and as many exhibition or tournament games as wanted. Jersey storage (hangers, garment bags, etc.) will be provided by the team; jersey parents would be responsible for the jerseys until end of season when they will be distributed to the players.
- Corey motions to adopt third jerseys and adopt policy that Aimee has proposed. Seconded by Jessica. Motion Passed.

4.3 Past President

4.3.1 CAW - female hockey is going well. Another grant approved for female hockey day - February 2.

4.4 Secretary / Web Admin

4.4.1

4.5 Treasurer Liaison

4.5.1 Shared Profit and Loss statement

4.6 Registrar

- 4.6.1 Continuing roster updates affiliates, U18 goalie
- 4.6.2 Complaints about timebox etiquette
 - Live Barn can NOT be unplugged
 - All volunteers in the time box (clock, book, penalty doors, announcements)
 must be unbiased. Time Box volunteers are considered off-ice officials.
 Bulldogs paraphernalia is also not allowed (jersey's, hoodies, etc.)
- 4.6.3 Hockey Alberta Changes to registration boundaries: attending meeting Dec 18th
 - Tyne will bring back an update and discussion on how BMHA will handle this for the 2025-2026 season.

4.7 Ice Scheduler

4.7.1



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4.8 Coach Liaison / Player Development

4.8.1 Intro to U11

- Other associations do an intro to U11; 6 or so sessions with full ice games
- Could we do this in March; possibly August in conjunction with the Bulldogs Camp week. Pending ice availability.
- Kyle to work with Michelle and talk if this would be an option.

4.8.2 Malone Hockey

- Potential company to do evaluations, on ice sessions, etc.
- Corey shared information; will send out to board; further discussion at January meeting.

4.9 Fundraiser / Pics / Fit Night

- 4.9.1 End of season banquet? Tabled for January
- 4.9.2 Pictures are all handed out
 - Comments overall were positive; the team picture did look awkward with having them all standing and some poses.
- 4.9.3 Second round of 50/50 is being pulled Dec 17th

4.10 Tournament Coordinator

4.10.1 U11 tournament

- Overall went well.
- Struggles with not being able to post on walls
- Pucks continue to go missing from tournaments.
- Dallas motions to have each tournament committee budget \$150 for tournament incidentals starting for the 2025,2026 season; Second by Tyne; Motion passed.

4.10.2 Raffle Box

- Didn't do as well as anticipated with 50-50 through raffle box
- Would like to look at purchasing a machine

4.10.3 Upcoming U15/18 tournament

- Happening this weekend (Dec 13-15)
- 4.10.4 Changes to tournament room and signage
 - Shared changes to tournament room; added shelves; dividers.

4.11 Equipment Manager

4.11.1

4.12 Ref Assignor / Referee In Chief

- 4.12.1 Snacks for Referees have received some negative feedback from teams and some teams refusing to do so. Will discontinue this.
- 4.12.2 Ref practice went very well with a young group that enjoyed the drills and tutorial on communication and positioning.
- 4.12.3 2 local refs started the Hockey Alberta mentorship program via the U13 AA



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tournament in red deer.

4.12.4 Signage update?

- 4.12.5 Other associations; discussion on if BMHA would do any of these:
 - refs receive \$100 reimbursement for course fees once completing 5 games (local refs only).
 - No snacks provided unless it's a tournament.
 - Some associations give officials a \$15 concession voucher if they are doing
 2 or more games in a tournament per day.
 - Ref assignors in other associations are getting paid, one association currently is paid \$500 and the association is looking to up it to \$700 as this is almost a full time job.
 - One association now is currently getting \$700/mth and only has 5 teams.
 - One association invited the officials to come to picture night at no extra cost from the photographer BUT if they wanted pictures they had to buy them.
 - Some associations have an "awards night or banquet" at the end of the season and are having coaches vote on who was the most improved official, most liked, etc.
 - Would like to start a google doc to have coaches fill out for feedback on
 officials, does not have to be done every time but if an official stands out
 or needs more mentoring we would like to know. I can't be at every game
 to watch them so feedback is crucial.

4.13 Directors

- 4.13.1 **CAHL Director Report**
- 4.13.2 Manager Liaison Director
- 4.13.3 Diversity and Inclusion Director
- 4.13.4 Goalie Director
- 4.13.5 Initiation / Pups Director
- 4.13.6 Novice Director
- 4.13.7 Atom Director
- 4.13.8 Pee Wee Director
- 4.13.9 Bantam / Midget Director

5 NEW BUSINESS

6 OUTSTANDING BUSINESS

6.1 Actions from Previous Meetings

- Website clean-up Tyne and Suzie to start working on cleaning up online content and saved files / information. - In Progress
- Tyne to update code of conduct with consequences and bring back to board for review & approval - Sent for Review
- Tyne to review the process for injury reporting and handling medical



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conditions within the bylaws and bring back to board for review and recommended changes.- **Sent for Review**

- Nancy to gather information Chase the Ace fundraiser and Shrimp Fundraiser
- Shannon to send Female Try Hockey Day information to the Secretary to advertise on FB.
- Shannon to Create Google Form for feedback on what we are doing well
- Shannon to resubmit requests for signage without BMHA logo
- Aimee & Corey to reach out to coaches and managers reminding players and parents reinforce social media policy.
- Suzie to reach out to preferred vendors to get updated links for merchandise posted on the web
- Tyne to amend Junior Coach policy
- Kyle to send Suzie refund updates; Suzie to update policy
- Suzie to add footer to all online documents with date and revision date and a space for President and VP to sign off on
- Corey to send Suzie the details of the January coaches session for advertising on Facebook. - Complete
- Dallas to work with Corey to send out communication to the coaches regarding returning of equipment.

7 ACTIONS ITEMS NEXT MEETING

- Dallas to order Codey Dennis sponsored items as per email sent by Aimee
- Aimee to email out information on coffee fundraiser to the board for review
- Tyne to bring update on boundary changes
- Kyle to reach out to Michelle Brown regarding potential intro to U11 camp
- Corey to send out information on Malone hockey to board;

8 ADJOURNMENT: 9:22 p.m.

Kyle Drouin – President

Executive Member (position, name, signature)

Vice President