



BLACKFALDS MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION AGM MEETING

Minutes

Community Hall, Womacks Road

May 24, 2023 | 7:00 PM

ATTENDEES (Executive & Directors TBA):

Brad Harnack	Dion Nicolas	Kathleen Buckman
Michelle Brown	Tyne Fauth	Tyler Boruck
Megan Guynup	Kyle Drouin	Nancy Morin
Kurtis Kenway	Amanda Hatto	Katie Bradley
Cheryl Berenik	Aimee Donauer	Shannon Humphrey

REGRETS:

Darryl Taylor

Special Guests:

Chair: Brad Harnack, President

Minutes: Michelle Brown, Secretary

Slide 1: pass

Slide 2: Welcome

All members attending the meeting and its entirety will be entered in the 3 following draws:

- 1) \$200 off Registration - Name Drawn Andrea Rosta
- 2) \$100 off Registration - Name Drawn Ashley Laturus
- 3) Team Entry fee to the BMHA 2022 Golf Tournament - Name Drawn Darren Kushner

Slide 3: AGM Housekeeping Items

Slide 4 - 7: Acknowledgement and commitment of ongoing partnerships with: Cody Dennis Memorial Fund, CrossIce Development, Blackfalds Bulldogs Junior A Hockey Club

Slide 8: Female Hockey Program

Female Hockey Registration is open for the 2023/24 season! Lacombe Minor Hockey, Blackfalds Minor Hockey and Ponoka Minor Hockey have signed an agreement to form female teams in U11, U13, U15 and U18 divisions. Register at www.ponokaminorhockey.ca. For more information contact Robbin Nikiforuk rnikiforuk@telus.net

NEW Any BMHA female player wishing to be released to another female program must be approved by all three associations as per the agreement voted in by BMHA, LMHA, and PMHA.

Slide 9: Volunteer Expectations

Blackfalds Minor Hockey Association can only be successful when all of us do our part. Registrants agree to donate their time to volunteer when completing the BMHA registration form. Please do your part to ensure the success of your child's hockey experience

Slide 10: BMHA By-Laws/Rules and Regulations

BMHA By-Laws/ Rules and Regulations will be reviewed prior to the start of the 2023-24 season. Current reviews that have been completed will also be finalized.

Blackfalds Minor Hockey's current position of competitive/non-competitive stance has been challenged by the membership in the past season. A committee will be formed prior to the start of the season to determine the direction that best suits BMHA membership and players with the assistance of Hockey Alberta.

Slide 11: Blackfalds Minor Hockey Global Fundraising

50/50 Draws will continue for \$10,000.00 per draw for the 2023-2024 Season. The number of draws will be dependent on the length of our season.

- ✓ Required ticket sales will be based on the number of registered players
- ✓ 50/50 draws are expected to assist with operational costs and funding development programs to support your child's hockey experience.
- ✓ ***New*** BMHA registration fees will determine membership participation.

Slide 12: Financial Review

Two BMHA members in good standing are required to review the year end financial statement.

- ◊ Registration fees are set to increase due to an expected Alberta Hockey and Hockey Canada membership fee increase.
- ◊ BMHA ice costs will increase this season however this will not be reflected on this year's registration

Slide 19: Division Directors

We would like to thank the following Division Directors for all their hard work and efforts this past season; Stephane Morin (Pups, U7) , Cheryl Berenik (U9) , Susie Lobert (U11), Becky Russell (U13), Cindy Acton (U15-U18).

Contact BMHA Vice President (vp.blackfaldsbulldogs@gmail.com) if interested in becoming a Division Director for the upcoming hockey season. Inquiries will be accepted until **August 1, 2023**.

Please review the director's roles and responsibilities document on our website.

Slide 20: Referee Development

BMHA encourages our young athletes and members in developing referees within our association. Anyone interested in having their child or themselves ref this upcoming season, please contact our ref assignor at refassignor.blackfaldsbulldogs@gmail.com
Reminder: without refs we can't play the game we all love.

Slide 21: Respect in Sport (reminder)

Respect In Sport will have to be renewed if it has not been completed in the last 4 years.

- Members will not be able to register their child/children should their Respect in Sport be expired.
- This includes RIS Parent and RIS Coach.
- Hockey Canada does send an email to the last known address, if your RIS has expired.
- **Please check your status as your young athlete will not be allowed on the ice until your Respect In Sport is up to date.**

Slide 22: BMHA Concussion Policy

BMHA Concussion Policy follows the Hockey Canada Concussion Policy.

The Policy is posted on the BMHA website under the BMHA Information tab in Policies, Procedures, Forms. The document includes information on concussion recognition, causes and recommendations as well as return to playing steps. There is a printable wallet card available as well.

Slide 23: Tryouts and Releases

- If your child is trying out to play outside of BMHA you have the option of not registering with BMHA.
- You will require approval and proper documentation from BMHA to do so. NTO forms will continue to be not required for U13 – U18 again this season.
- **Fundraising pricing will not be available after 11:59 pm on June 7 ,2023**

Slide 24: 4th Annual BMHA Golf Tournament

Our fourth annual golf tournament is scheduled to be held at the **Alberta Springs Golf Resort** on August 11, 2023, at 2:00 pm

- BMHA is proud to announce that Stream Flo will be the title sponsorship for this year's tournament. Black Stack Mechanical will be a Platinum Sponsor, and Harvard Broadcasting has shown interest in continuing their support.
- Entry Fee will be \$600.00 per team (4 Players per team)
- Entry fee includes Steak Sandwich supper after the conclusion of the tournament.
- To register your team please use the following link: <https://forms.gle/QNJxvvtNRM6bTDPu7>

- ◊ If you wish to sponsor a hole or donate a prize, please contact Aimee Donauer at bmhagolf@gmail.com

Slide 25: Questions/Comments

Slide 26: Nominations and Elections

Executive members are nominated and elected on to the BMHA Board by the BMHA Membership. Elections will be performed by ballot not by a show of hands.

The position of President must be filled by a current member of the BMHA Executive.

Fifteen (15) members in good standing shall constitute a quorum at any general or special meeting.

AGLC states: Executive positions may not be held by related members with the same surname, or the same residential address and/or the same residential phone number.

Slide 27: President Role

Round 1: Kyle Drouin

Round 2: Kyle Drouin

Round 3: Kyle Drouin

Slide 28: Vice President

Round 1: Dion Nicolas

Round 2: Dion Nicolas

Round 3: Dion Nicolas

Slide 29: Secretary

Round 1: Suzie Lobert

Round 2: Suzie Lobert

Round 3: Suzie Lobert

Slide 30: Treasurer

Round 1: —

Round 2: Jessica Gallant

Round 3: Jessica Gallant

Slide 31: Equipment Manager

Round 1: —

Round 2: —

Round 3: Dallas Trail

Slide 32: Coach Liaison

Round 1: —

Round 2: —

Round 3: Elton St. John

Slide 33: Ice Scheduler

Round 1: —

Round 2: —

Round 3: Tristinia Branconnier

Slide 34: Registrar

Round 1: Tyne Fauth

Round 2: Tyne Fauth

Round 3: Tyne Fauth

Slide 35: Referee Assignor

Round 1: Cheryl Berenik

Round 2: Cheryl Berenik

Round 3: Cheryl Berenik

Slide 36: Fundraiser Coordinator

Round 1: Nancy Morin

Round 2: Nancy Morin

Round 3: Nancy Morin

Slide 37: Tournament Coordinator

Round 1: —

Round 2: —

Round 3: Shalynn Morgan

Slide 38: Appointed Roles by BMHA Executive

Slide 39: CAHL Director - Vacant

We would like to take this time to thank Kathleen Buckman for taking on this role for the past years and wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

This appointed role is required to attend all related CAHL meetings and be the go-between for all communication between BMHA and CAHL, including team grievances and requests.

This role reviews requests and questions for their relevance, and forwards to the appropriate CAHL board member for review, then forwards the response to the BMHA members in question.

This person also is requested to provide input at all BMHA board meetings, and assistance with BMHA activities as required.

If you are interested in the role of CAHL Director, please email president.blackfaldsbulldogs@gmail.com

Slide 40: Ref in Chief - Tyler Boruck / Elton St. John

This appointed role will assist the current Ref Assignor in their roles and duties as outlined by the association. This role also includes mentoring the associations referees as well as assist with any grievances and/or concerns that may occur within the season.

If you are interested in the role of Ref in Chief, please email president.blackfaldsbulldogs@gmail.com

Slide 41: Manager Liaison - Aimee Donauer

In efforts to help facilitate our managers for each team, BMHA executive deemed it necessary to have an appointed liaison to assist all the managers in the coordination of their selected team. The Manager Liaison will conduct an annual meeting with all managers prior to the season start updating them on rules and regulations for both BMHA and CAHL. Assist with any questions or concerns that may arise throughout the season.

Aimee Donauer has accepted the continuance of her role as Manager Liaison for the 2023-24 season. We would like to thank Aimee for all her efforts and accomplishments this past season and look forward to having her continue into the new season.

Slide 41: BMHA Liaison with the Blackfalds BULLdogs Junior A Hockey Club - Michelle Brown

The person appointed to this role is the liaison for our most major sponsor – between the AJHL Bulldogs and our minor hockey league. This is to ensure that requests are not overwhelming to our sponsor, nor duplicated by individual teams. They are required to attend and participate in both BMHA and AJHL board meetings, and to work as a liaison between the two boards, as well as provide advice, assistance and support to BMHA as required.

Michelle Brown has held this role for previous years and again we would like to thank her for all her efforts in this role as she will continue to fulfill the position for the next season.

Slide 42: Inclusion Director - Shannon Humphrey

This appointed role would help advise and guide the BMHA Executive and our membership in regards to information and initiatives related to growing the game of hockey from an inclusive “hockey is for everyone” perspective. The successful appointee would be advising and guiding our organization with information related to anti-bullying, anti-racism, the LGBTQ+ community, and other opportunities to ensure that the BMHA is meeting the expectations of Hockey Alberta and Hockey Canada re inclusion and diversity. This role will be key to helping us continue creating and growing an organization that accepts and celebrates every kid who plays for BMHA and every volunteer who supports our local minor hockey association.

Shannon Humphrey has accepted to return to this role for the 2023-24 season, we would like to thank Shannon for her work and efforts this past season and we look forward to working with her again in the upcoming season.

Slide 43: BMHA Accountant - Lesley McGill


BMHA would like to thank Lesley McGill for taking care of our finances this past year. Leslie will be continuing with her role as the BMHA accountant for the 2023 – 2024 season. Leslie will work alongside the BMHA Treasurer.

Slide 44: Message from New Past President

With having to make the difficult decision to move on, I have had a great experience within this association as a parent, coach, vice president, and president. I would like to thank all the past and current members of BMHA Executive that I have had the pleasure of working with. I would also like to thank the association for allowing me to hold a role within our community that comes with great responsibility for our youths involvement in a program that teaches so much. I believe that the experience minor hockey provides our youth will help them grow into more successful young adults and may hopefully help make positive decisions that will guide their future through life.

As any role that we accept in our adult lives, I have taken valuable experience and knowledge over the past years that I hope to share with future players, members, coaches, and executive. I look forward to being your past president and continuing to assist in guiding our executive, BMHA members, and your children through a great experience in the BMHA hockey program, as did my family with our children and their peers within this association.

Thank you, I look forward to seeing you all see at the rink next season.

Kyle Drouin
PRESIDENT


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VICE PRESIDENT
