



# CENTRAL ALBERTA HOCKEY LEAGUE

## MEETING MINUTES

February 3, 2014

Strathmore Civic Centre, Strathmore, AB

President: Doug Durbano (unable to attend)

Vice-President: Dennis Beaudion

Vice-President: Brian Monkman

Governor-in-Chief: Jamie Steer

Past-President: James Parks

Secretary: Terry Siverson

Vice-President: Tim Arnold (unable to attend)

Treasurer: Shannon Chilvers

Web Administrator: Jodi Christensen

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:40 PM.

ABSENT ASSOCIATIONS: Redcliff and Olds

Doug was visiting family out of the province and James will be managing the meeting tonight in his place.

There were two corrections for the January 6<sup>th</sup> Minutes. One was a number that was not correct in the Treasurers Report and one was regarding NT1 and the Numbers of the Teams going into play offs due to the removal of a Team.

Motion to approve the amended minutes from January 6, 2014 by Nanton, seconded by Indus. Carried.

### **Hockey Alberta Report: Danny Povaschuk - Zone 6**

- Unfortunately Danny was unable to get back from a Business Trip in time to attend the meeting. All Provincial Sites have been granted and by all indications Provincials are moving along fine, near the last rounds and everything going smoothly. Please let Danny know if you have any questions.

There was no report from Hockey Alberta Zone 5 at this meeting.

## Referee Report: Dave Coles -

- Write ups from some of the Ref's are not very well done and make it hard to assess the proper penalties to the offenders. Please encourage an improvement of this via your associations or the Ref Zones.
- Game Report was discussed and it was decided it would be emailed out to all again and encouraged to keep available in case game report books are not available. It will also be posted on the website.
- Not much of issues coming in but there seems to be an increase with abuse of officials this season so far and does not show signs of getting better. Please talk to your coaches and parents.
- Kneehill questioned:
  - If an Official can give a Coach or Team Official or player any penalties for not shaking hands? - No they cannot. There should not be a penalty assessed.
  - If an Official can give a Coach or Team Official any penalties for the behavior of the fans if they cannot figure out where it is coming from? - No they cannot, they could ask for help from the team officials to quiet it down though.
  - If the CAHL gets a complaint that a visiting association is out of control would the CAHL do anything about it with the Coach or Team? - No not with the coach, but the CAHL would upon receipt of the complaint go back to the offending Association and follow up. We would ensure that they know about it and have them identify what they are going to do about it. If they are reluctant the CAHL likely would lean a little harder for a solution. The CAHL can affect the situation up to removing the team for the season and can make the game go ahead with no Fans or anyone allowed in the stands.

In the past Officials have cleared areas or sections of the stands as a result of this behavior. They can also not allow the game to proceed until the situation has calmed down.
- Oyen had a question about having Ref's from Saskatchewan covering games for them. They had a request for the officials to be allowed to do a modified Ref system that they have approved in Saskatchewan (Two Ref's one Linesman). As this is not approved in Alberta or our Zones are not authorized to do this. This is the same as the four man systems in Alberta.
- Brooks had a question that affects the SCAHL and the CAHL - There was a team playing in Cranbrook, BC and there was an incident where a match penalty was assessed. The situation was given less games than if it had happened in Alberta. It was discussed that the two provinces have different rules so expect differences.
- High Country had some questions regarding signing off on the game sheet. The question was returned to have more follow up done to make sure it was not just the coaches forgot to sign below the rosters verifying them. Just so everyone is aware, team officials sign to verify the rosters before the game the On Ice Officials sign afterwards.
- Some discussions around this sign off task regarding of a family member being an on ice official at a game. The opposing team must be notified in advance that this is an issue, not just told "Oh by the way" when they arrive. This will start to

become more obvious with the reduced numbers of officials available. It also must be on the front of the game sheet.

- The rule was reviewed for all present regarding what happens if the Ref's are not there or only has one. The rule clearly states that the teams can each select a player to be a linesman or if no officials are they both will become referees for the game in question. VP Brian Monkman read the rule (5.2k on page 81 of the Referee rule book) for everyone's review. \*\*\*\* The rule does not say captains, it says players.

#### **Treasurer's Report: Shannon Chilvers -as of September 9, 2013**

Current Account Balance:	\$ 23,441.15
Total Expenses to date:	\$ 26,944.50
Total Revenue to date:	\$ 31,569.00
Term Account (T-Bill):	\$ 33,544.28

#### **Additional Notes of interest:**

- The January 6<sup>th</sup> Treasurers Report had an error in the Expenses to date due to a duplication of an entry. It read \$ 29,484.44 but should have read 20, 494.44. Amended in the minutes at the beginning of the meeting.
- All Association's will be receiving their player fee Invoices in the next few days, they were delayed and they are due on or before February 14<sup>th</sup>.
- If any scorebooks or game report books are needed let her know and she will get them to you.
- There are outstanding invoices that need to be taken care of and reminders will be sent. All need to be cleared by February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

Any fees or outstanding invoices that are not paid by the end of the regular season will have action taken against them.

Motion to approve the Treasurers Report as presented - made by Indus, seconded by Hanna - motion carried

#### **Old Business:**

- CAHL Document Review Committee - Terry presented the report of where we are for this meeting.
  - The Directors are seeing the work that the committee has put into this and the committee's recommendations. Notice of Motions are already being seen tonight for some changes and additions.
  - The primary goal is to clarify and separate the playing rules (our regulations) from the league operation rules (our bylaws).
  - The documents presented tonight in the NOM's to clean up and to get the bylaws portions all into one document with our policies and all the playing rules into our regulations in another document.
  - We signed the papers tonight to form an organization properly setup as a society in our Province known as the CAHL.

The committee has worked hard on this and your support would be appreciated with this year's NOM's.

### **Governor's Reports: Jamie Steer**

- Banners are ready and will be signed out on March 3<sup>rd</sup> at the meeting where only the second weekend of play-offs are done. No series will be finished. There is less chance they are lost and if you can't be there to get it you need to let Jamie know who is picking it up. Because of this the next meeting will be mandatory for all Governors. Jamie will send out an email to all Governors.
- Standings for each tier in each division - Sometimes at the end of the year the standings show an order that is not the final order. The website does not take into consideration that the league has a tie breaker rule. Jamie discussed that all Governors must make sure that all tie breakers are applied and the Governor has sent out the play off seating's before they are official. Governors also are to make sure when ever teams are < 1 point apart it is important that all game sheets are checked to make sure there was not errors in data entry around missing misconducts, etc.
- Jodi discussed that she is starting to see if any games have not been scored or scored twice in each division. Also all games should be verified shortly after they are entered. We have two weekends of Hockey left, these have got to be up to date. Novice is completed and other divisions will be done shortly.
- Also double check that all schedules are balanced still. We cannot go into the last weekend realizing that a division is not aligned and balanced.
- The review of each division by Jamie and Lead Governors was started with the Novice Divisions. The Atom and Bantam divisions were reviewed before the break.

**Coffee Break** - 5 minutes taken to allow for other CAHL Business

### **Governor's Reports continued.....: Jamie Steer**

- The review of the Pee Wee and Midget divisions were completed after the coffee break by Jamie and Lead Governors.

### **New Business:**

- A question came up regarding the rule around one game suspensions due to accumulating 75 penalty minutes followed by one additional game suspension for every 25 additional penalty minutes. Please remember this is for the entire season, **it does not reset for the playoffs.**
- Notice of Motions for 2014 - They must be sent to Terry before February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2014 so we have a few days to process them and get them out to everyone. They can be mailed to Terry at the email addresses below:

[cahlsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:cahlsecretary@gmail.com)

The following Review of Notice of Motions has been completed at this meeting to reduce the amount of time spent on this at the next one.

The following Notice of Motions will be voted on at the April 7<sup>th</sup> AGM.

## **Notice of Motions discussed, motion made and seconded at this meeting**

**NOM # 1 – Bylaw 1 (b) - CAHL Executive** - league boundaries adjusted with the loss of the teams from BC. Motion made by: Indus Seconded by: Okotoks

**NOM # 2 – Reg 2(h) – CAHL Executive** - To implement the unbalanced competition and actions policy. Motion made by: Brooks Seconded by: Drumheller

**NOM # 3 – Bylaw # 10 – CAHL Executive** - To move the Protests section to the Regulations as it has more to do with games than organizational activity.  
Motion made by: Brooks Seconded by: Strathmore

**NOM # 4 – Bylaw # 11 – CAHL Executive** - To move the Suspensions section to the Regulations as it has more to do with games than organizational activity.  
Motion made by: Chestermere Seconded by: Brooks

**NOM # 5 – Bylaw # 12 – CAHL Executive** - To move the Appeals section to the Regulations as it has more to do with games than organizational activity  
Motion made by: Hanna Seconded by: Nanton

**~~NOM # 6 v2 – Reg 9 (u) – CAHL Executive~~** - Withdrawn

**NOM # 7 v3 – Reg 9 (u) – CAHL Executive** - To clarify the no show policy for the first 2 weekends of the regular season. Motion made by: Strathmore Seconded by: Hanna

**NOM # 8 – Reg 9 (b) – CAHL Executive** - To update the Directors attending requirements do that the Governor's aren't doing two jobs and we do not have no Directors present during the discussions. Motion made by: Rockyford Seconded by: High Country

**NOM # 9 – Bylaws sections up to 9 – CAHL Executive** - To move the current bylaws to a new bylaws and policy manual as part of the document review sub committees recommendations. Motion made by: Brooks Seconded by: Medicine Hat

**NOM # 10 – Bylaws and Policy #'s 11 to 15 – CAHL Executive** – To update policy around :

- 11 FOIPP,
- 12 Conflict of interest,
- 13 Resignation of an Executive committee member,
- 14 Removal of an Executive Committee member
- 15 CAHL Logo's control and approval requirements.

Motion made by: Oyen Seconded by: Hanna

- Once your teams officially know who they are playing in playoffs, go ahead and start the scheduling process for the series. The league does not schedule these games it is up to the two teams playing to do that. Please make sure two games are played in the first weekend.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Claresholm, seconded by Brooks.

Meeting adjourned at 9:25 pm.

**Next meeting is March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2014**