



# CENTRAL ALBERTA HOCKEY LEAGUE

AGM Meeting Minutes - April 17, 2023

Online via Google Meet

President: Terry Siverson  
VP of Operations: Duane Moulton  
Past President: Doug Durbano  
Vice President: Ryan Robertson  
Vice President: Trevor McFarlane  
Secretary: Melanie Jackson

Treasurer: Shannon Chilvers  
Vice-President U18: Allison Arsenaault  
Vice President U15: Doug McKinnon  
Vice President U13: Derek Sager  
Vice President U11: Shelly Javorsky  
Governor in Chief: Tracey Walker

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:04pm

ABSENT ASSOCIATIONS: Bassano, Bowden, Cardston, Crowsnest Pass, Duchess, Hanna, Indus, Irvine, Nanton, Oyen, Redcliff, Siksika.

## Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

**Motion #2022-18** to approve minutes made by Rimbey, seconded by Cremona. No objections, none abstained. Motion carried unanimously.

## Hockey Alberta Report

**Matt Diebert (absent) and Roy Bowlby (absent) - Hockey Alberta Minor Leagues Committee**  
- report read by Terry Siverson

- Further AB One updates at the next Minor Leagues Committee meeting this week.
- AB One items will go into effect for next season. We will be starting up our review committee within the league to go over the changes in AB One to match our regulations.
- 2023/24 Provincial dates will be presented this week and then we can work on our league calendar.
- If you would like to reach out to Matt or Roy, they are located on the Volunteer Contacts on Hockey Alberta's website.

## Treasurer's Report: Shannon Chilvers (absent)

- Report to be sent out at another time.

## Discipline Report: Brian Monkman (absent), Natasha Haluck and Jacqui Cook

- Website is updated with carryovers. If directors have questions, please send us an email.
- 74 carryover suspensions and 2 indefinite that are waiting for Hockey Alberta ruling.
- 902 total suspensions. Player suspensions down and coach suspensions up from previous seasons.
- Thanks to Hockey Alberta discipline, governors, directors, and CAHL volunteers.

## Governor Reports

### Governor in Chief - Tracey Walker

- Thanks to all the VP's, governors, and lead governors. Thank you gifts going out to everyone.

### U18 Lead Governor - Darcy Dyck

- Thanks to the governors I worked with this season.
- Based on last year, we may need to look at the tier ½ split a little better.
- Feedback on interleague is that we need to have some more even games.
- Feel that maybe consolation rounds shouldn't happen in U18 due to all the suspensions.

### U16 Lead Governor Jayson Nelson (absent) - report read by VP U18 Allison Arsenault

- Went well this season. 1 carryover suspension.
- Will be running next season again if needed. It would be great if some more associations would be involved.

### U15 Lead Governor - Chuck Hunter

- Finished off by winning Provincials in a few divisions.
- Few stumbles on Interleague play but we will work on it for next season.
- Would like to see less rule 11 suspensions for next season.

### U13 Lead Governor - Ginette Motta

- U13 went well this season. 119 teams
- Consolation rounds were well received in this division.
- All carryover suspensions are posted.
- Great group of governors this season. Hoping they all come back next season.

### U11 Lead Governor- Calvin Rooke

- Thanks to all the CAHL leadership and directors.
- Championship series went well other than there were a few far games.

## U11 HADP Lead Governor - Cole Alwyin

- Had a few issues moving to RAMP from Goalline but have it figured out now.
- 2 carryover suspensions.

## U9 VP - Amanda Hatto

- U9 went well. 97 teams this season.
- No carryover suspensions this season.

## Old Business

### Feedback on U9

- Terry has reached out to Hockey Alberta about the concerns members had about officials and the Intro to Hockey Program. Waiting to hear back.

### U11 HADP

- Members should be receiving a letter and press release soon that we will be continuing with the HADP program and how associations can apply.

### U16 Division

- If members are interested, we will run it within the league. Let us know when you can.

### U15/U18 Non-body checking

- Meeting about expanding non-body checking Provincials for NBC 1/2/3.
- We have been approached by a few groups about opening up more opportunities for NBC.

## AGM voting

### Notice of Motions voting

#### NOM # 1 - Additional league suspensions

Agree - 45 Object - 2 Abstained - 2 **Passed**

#### NOM # 2 - CAHL Policy and Game Regulations update (numerous parts)

Agree - 47 Object - 0 Abstained - 2 **Passed**

#### NOM #3 - Penalties for Non-Submission of Governors

Agree - 37 Object - 11 Abstained - 1 **Rejected**

#### NOM #4 - Rule number changes

Agree - 47 Object - 0 Abstained - 4 **Passed**

#### NOM #5 - Rule wording change

Agree - 48 Object - 0 Abstained - 1 **Passed**

#### NOM #6 - Playoff Placement with unbalanced schedules

Agree - 46 Object - 0 Abstained - 3 **Passed**

## Nominations Committee

- Committee members were League Secretary Melanie Jackson, Governor in Chief Tracey Luking, Carstairs CAHL Director Josh Epp, Ponoka CAHL Peter Hillier, and Medicine Hat CAHL Director Jordan Kienzle.
- Nominations were open from March 15th to April 5<sup>th</sup>. Nomination report was sent out April 10<sup>th</sup>.
- Terry Siverson was the only nominee for President position and has accepted his nomination. He has been accepted to the position by acclimation.
- Ryan Robertson was the only nomination for the Vice President position and has accepted his nomination. He has been accepted to the position by acclimation.
- Shannon Chilvers was the only nomination for the Treasurer position and has accepted her nomination. She has been accepted to the position by acclimation.
- Allison Aresenault, Doug MacKinnon and Amanda Hatto were the nominees for Division Vice President positions and have accepted their nomination. They have all been accepted to the position by acclimation.

## Applications to join the CAHL for the 2023/24 Season

- Have not received very many votes to this point, so we will keep the voting period open until the end of the day.
- Question from Airdrie - if we were to accept these northern teams applying, would we be opening up a north division in CAHL? And not have interleague? Hockey Alberta manages interleague not us. If we were to split things up, we would have more travel east and west.
- Question from Lethbridge - was there not enough votes or not enough “no” votes? Some members expressed that they were tired of voting and were not going to vote at all.
- **Motion #2022-19** by Lethbridge to cease voting for the probationary new members. Seconded by Canmore. Discussion to follow.
  - Question from Medicine Hat - With all these teams trying to come in every year, would it make sense to just create a “line” for the north division and offer the associations an opportunity to join? Terry will take this feedback to the minor leagues committee to discuss.
  - Comment from Lethbridge - agree with Medicine Hat about creating a line and opportunity for associations to join. Then end adding anymore teams to the league after that.
  - Question from Lacombe - if the probationary associations have not received enough votes, they will not be able to join the league? Yes, that is correct. How many votes are required? 39 votes.
  - Question from Blackfalds - Can we see who has not voted? It is not generally our practice to do that.
  - Comment from Standard - I am concerned that there is so many directors that has not voted which means that their vote it a no vote.
  - Question from Derek Sager (CAHL executive) - If they are not voted in, do these associations have somewhere else to go? 2 of the members have applied to the NEAHL league as well and the others have only applied to our league but still have a league to play in.

**16 objections, 1 abstained, 13 accepted. Motion has been defeated. Voting will remain open until the end of the day.**

Review of voting of probationary members to become full voting members for the 2023/24 season.

Battle River Knights Minor Hockey	Agree - 40	Object - 1	Abstained - 5	Passed
Camrose Minor Hockey	Agree - 41	Object - 2	Abstained - 3	Passed
Maskwacis Minor Hockey	Agree - 40	Object - 3	Abstained - 3	Passed
Millet Minor Hockey	Agree - 41	Object - 1	Abstained - 4	Passed
Warburg/Calmar/Thorsby MHA's	Agree - 42	Object - 1	Abstained - 3	Passed
Thunderstars Minor Hockey	Agree - 41	Object - 1	Abstained - 4	Passed
Banff Minor Hockey	Agree - 43	Object - 1	Abstained - 2	Passed
Wetaskiwin Minor Hockey	Agree - 42	Object - 1	Abstained - 1	Passed
Bashaw Minor Hockey	Agree - 41	Object - 1	Abstained - 4	Passed

## **New Business**

### **Alberta One Committee**

- Will be reaching out over the next week about the tasks we will need to go through. Once completed we will send out for a full review to our members.

### **Open Questions and Discussion**

Comment from Airdrie - I think we need to decide if we are doing 2 games or 3 games for playoffs not giving the option. Or has tournament style been discussed? Tournament style has been discussed but members will need to provide all that ice. Number of games for playoffs will be discussed with the AB One review.

Question from Airdrie - Are we going to cap how many teams are in U15 tier 3? Hockey Alberta does not allow us to do that.

Question from Lethbridge - Can we possibly get rid of some of the U15 and U18 consolation games to reduce some of the suspensions that occur at these levels? This will be discussed at the minor leagues meeting. Terry has requested to Hockey Alberta that teams would be able to opt out of these rounds if they choose by March 1<sup>st</sup>. We will wait for their feedback.

Question from Medicine Hat - Will U13 tier 1 continue for next season? It will continue for next season.

Question from Airdrie - Can we be firm on our dates by May 15<sup>th</sup>? Yes, we will have them confirmed before then.

Question from Airdrie - Will we be moving to RAMP next season? They have been working on it but I have not received any update where they are at with CAHL. I don't think we will be changing at this point and will stick with Goalline.

**Motion #2022-20** to adjourn meeting at 8:01pm by Spruce View. Seconded by Thorsby.

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