

**CALGARY NORTHSTARS HOCKEY ASSOCIATION  
BOARD MEETING  
Monday August 12, 2019  
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A board meeting of the Calgary Northstars Hockey Association was called to order at 6:06 p.m. @ NESS.

**Board Members Present:**

Amedeo Cortese	Ron Green	Don Bueller	
Amber Abou-Daher	Judd Casper	Mark Hlady	
Gavin Mills	Melissa O'Neal	Sarah Palinkas	
Melissa Petryna	Dennise Roach	Damian Steiert	Chris Wilkins
Amy Nightingale	Curtis Osiowy		

Absent – Bobbi Rayton; Lorraine Tetz; Linda Aldridge; Yuliya Gorbach; Terry Louis

**Amedeo Cortese (meeting chair):**

**Motion for meeting to be called to order** at 6:06 by Amedeo and seconded by Amy. **Motion Carried.**

**Secretary – Bobbi Rayton (Delivered by Dennise Roach):**

**MOTION to approve June 2019** by Judd and seconded by Gavin. **Motion Carried.**

**MOTION to approve June 2019 Minutes for CNHA website** by Judd and seconded by Gavin. **Motion Carried**

**Bingo Report – Lorraine Tetz: –**

Absent –nothing to report

**AT Report – Melissa Petryna:** (Dennise not in attendance for this report)

2 New therapists: Laura MAA Blazers and Christina BAA

**Actionable:** Requested the confirmed coaches list – Amy to send to Melissa

Tryouts all scheduled

Pre-season meeting

**Actionable:** Stock kits –Yuliya to complete

**Actionable:** Schedule required as soon as available with game schedules for AT's - Melissa O'Neal to send asap  
Discussion for clearance to play

this must be provided by Dr. or AT for all injuries (-NOT parents)

off season surgeries must be discussed and clearance provided by AT

**Actionable:** Inquiry about warm-ups - Coordinators to follow up with coaches

**Administrator Report – Sarah Palinkas:**

Conditioning camps for most weeks have sold out.

5-8 players have tried to register in NS but are not within boundaries - HC is looking into this;

Cut off day for tryouts is Aug. 24<sup>th</sup>

Breakdown at the time of reporting 160 bantam (up from last year); 83 midget, 10 goalies (down from last year); 13 Jrs. (way down from 2 teams last year)

**Actionable:** HC has requested a report of each player cut to allow associations know who is coming back - Sarah to complete

**Actionable:** Would like to move website over to TeamSnap must determine when RAMP term is up to make transition - Sarah to investigate

### **Presidents Report – Amedeo Cortese:**

Thank you to Curtis and Melissa for the camp success

Attended a few HC meetings and they are requesting the use of HEADSTARTPRO (handout) provides internal and external distractions; increase self confidence and self-esteem; improve team cohesion and communication.

There are in person training and online training available – will continue to monitor and the push to try from HC

**Actionable:** One family is asking to leave NS due to perceived treatment – unfortunately this does not meet the HC criteria, and this is now in the hands of HC - Amedeo will follow up on this

### **VP Operations Midget – Ron Green:**

Thank you to Bobbi, Amy, Don, and Sarah for all the work done over the past weeks;

**Actionable:** Recommend a HOCKEY COMMITTEE for OPERATIONS.

Consist of 5-7 people including the executive operations.

Committee would report back to the board to ensure that one person is not making all the changes and any changes require board approval.

**MOTION to create Hockey Operations Committee** by Ron and seconded by Don. **Motion Carried**

**Actionable:** Ron to follow up with names of the committee

**Actionable:** Requested changes to the policies

These will be taken to the Hockey Committee, reviewed and brought back to the board for final discussion;

Once Hockey Committee for Operations is formed, they will be responsible for this.

Current - I will offer only positive encouragement and assistance to my players.

Recommended - I will offer only constructive encouragement and assistance to my players

Current - I will refrain from using profane language at all times

Recommended - There is zero tolerance for targeted abusive language of any kind and regular or extreme use of profanity is unnecessary.

Current - Provide, a minimum, one coach for pre and post games dressing room supervision for the players

Recommended/suggested - The association will set a time frame for teams or teams to suggest time frames when players must arrive and leave after a game. ie Must depart within 40 minutes or 30 minutes post coaches address. ie Arrive no more than 60(?) minutes prior to a game (Bantam) Maybe 90 for Midget AAA – Maybe something about school nights. During this time a minimum of one coach must be present. Coaches do not need to be in the dressing room at all times, but they should make frequent visits to the room and be within 100 feet of the dressing room at all times players are present.

**MOTION to change the 15-year-old policy guidelines wording by Ron and seconded by Judd**– want to state that the 20 best players (team) will be put forward.

**\*\*15-year-old policy revised to read that Northstars will put the best 20 player forward regardless of criteria\*\*** Ron made the motion Judd seconded – 1 abstain **Motion carried.**

Met with Blair and Amedeo – requested Blair to provide criteria for his team;

Requested season plans from each coach within two weeks of the season beginning

**VP Operations Bantam – Don Bueller:**

**Actionable:** Three coaches have inquired about wages. Agreed it was approved but it has not been completed and may need a rework - Hockey Committee to fulfil once formed

Bantam AA's will not be doing dryland this season;

**Actionable:** Requested that the Bantam tryout teams are posted on the website by Aug. 20th - Amber to post, teams to be provided by Coordinators

**Treasurer's Report – Yuliya Gorbach:** (Submitted by Amedeo)

Everything is on budget

Inquiry as to why a budget is required at first meeting after AGM – this is something very difficult for the board to predict

**Motion to pay coaches for CNHA Checking clinic \$720** by Don seconded by Amy. **Motion Carried**

**Team Coordinator Reports**

**Bantam AA – Chris Wilkins:**

NO report

**Minor Midget AAA – Amy Nightingale:**

Tryout Process currently 83 players and 10 goalies

**Actionable:** require check-in volunteers and scorekeepers - Amy to coordinate

Requested MM to host tournament

Our teams will play for free

A16-team tournament – scheduled ice for Dec. 19-22

A good fundraiser for the teams.

**Midget AA – /Junior B:**

VACANT

Discussed draft process

Discussed lack of Jr's enrolled

**Development Coordinator Bantam – Damian Steiert/ Development Coordinator Midget – Mark Hlady:**

Damian presented for both asked to present all development recommendations and then motion them all at one time (spreadsheet handed out with the breakdown which would be more accurate)

1. Request to add David Marcoux Goaltending as part of the Bantam, MMAAA, MAAA, MAA goaltender on-ice evaluations; add his organization to work together with our goal tender coaches in the evaluation of Bantam, MMAAA for all tryouts; have them evaluate together with MAAA, MAA coaches over the period of 5 exhibition games after Sept. 8 2019.

The addition of David and costs associated mean an increase in registration for goalies.

1. Require \$950 for the 24<sup>th</sup> - MAAA needs another coach on the ice to assist 5 games, 4 goalies for a total \$3,575 under goalie development;

2. Request that each team has a coach goalie certified;
3. Request to move to RISE for dryland training - this is a new facility that will be operational in Sept. near Max Bell - recommend 20 sessions/team - \$18,750 approx.
4. Scott F has requested \$7,000 for his on ice mentoring - recommend \$5,000/year;
5. Alex Mandolitis recommended to come in a mentor - would allow for a new face in the organization
6. Marcel Lacroix recommended to assist with mentoring and power skating - again a new face to the organization

Some of the costs were readjusted on the spreadsheet and a motion was put forth as follows;

**MOTION** to approve the development budget of \$52,000 by Don and seconded by Ron – Motion carried

### **Coordinator Reports**

#### **Policy, Procedure and Discipline – Dennise Roach:**

No report – ongoing review

Requested recommended changes from Ron to be forwarded

#### **Communications – Amber Abou - Dahar:**

Still clearing out old business on the website - ongoing

Discussion re: Newsletter content – agreed to the following; President message; Feature player from each team; tournaments and highlights; buy & sell

#### **Conditioning Camp – Curtis Osiowy:**

All running smooth

A couple of families had to use cheques rather than credit cards

#### **Casino/Banquets and Awards – VACANT:**

VACANT – no report

#### **Ice Coordinator –Melissa O’Neal:**

Discussion around RAMP vs TeamSnap – ACTION ITEM as noted previously;

Bantam goalies have not been notified on the website about fitness testing

MM tournament Sept 6-8

Schedules out within a few weeks

#### **Procurement – Gavin Mills:**

Jerseys are here and any replacements are on the way;

Inquired about team water bottles – resounding NO from all in attendance;

Inquired about puck buckets

**Actionable** - Amy to get 12 buckets for each team

Inquiry regarding the costs of the jersey bags – this would be team responsibility.

#### **Registrar – Terry Louis: (reported by Amedeo)**

Thank you to Sarah

He will be leading the Mac’s Midget tournament

He is open to help in any role

#### **Yearbook –Linda Aldridge: (reported by Amedeo)**

Nothing to report except that she is on top of things

**Community Liaison/Macs Midget Coordinator – Judd Casper:**

Presented a feature game for HOCKEY FIGHTS CANCER

**Actionable:** proceeding to move forward

**Old Business:**

Yearly plans have been taken care of.

Goalie coach – David Marcoux will be running the goalies.

Golf tournament location and/or communication has not been provided;

Development plan – ongoing ACTION ITEM

Casino/banquet position ACTION ITEM

Team pictures have all been booked; yearbook is progress;

Road trip policy

**Actionable:** Hockey Committee

Parent communication Link

**Actionable:** Amber to get this set up

Code of Conduct

**Actionable:** Dennise

Jr B goalie instruction – currently only 13 players

**MOTION to reallocate Jr. B's \$2000 to development** by Amedeo and seconded by Judd. **Motion carried**

**New Business**

**Actionable:** Roles & Responsibilities will be sent out by AMY

**Next meeting will be held on Monday Sept 16 at 6:00 at Maxbell Silver Boardroom**

**Motion to adjourn the meeting** made by Dennise and seconded by Don. Meeting adjourned at 22:00 P.M.