



**Canmore Minor Hockey Association
Executive Meeting
Monday April 20, 2015 7:00 pm
The Iron Goat**

Attending President: Al Scurfield
Vice-President: Robin Bushulak
CMHA Secretary: Sharol Maclaren
Treasurer: Michella Rapaich (Late)
CAHL Director: Ken Browne
Girls League Coordinator: Harold Gahr
Ice Coordinator: Stephanie Hogg
Coaching/Skills Coordinator: Derrick Koch
CMHA Governor: Pat Deegan (Late)
Recreational League Director: Hendrick van Wyk
House League Director: Brenda Ostman
Registrar: Carrie McLaughlin

Regrets

Called to Order: 7:06 pm

7:07 Review of Minutes

- Report on Action Items
- Review of minutes

MOTION: *To approve January 26th Minutes* **Moved:** Carrie seconded: Stephanie; **carried**

ACTION Sharol to post minutes on website

7:13 President's Report

- Thanks to all the Board members for a great year
- Would like to see CMHA continue with skill based programming
- Would like the ne incoming board to look at adopting a fair play policy.



7:16 Registrars Report

- Will have registrations open from June 1 – 30/ 2015 on-line.
- Having only one payment would make registrations and fee collections much easier.
- **MOTION:** *Payment policy will be changed to full payment at the time of registration online* **Moved:** Robin seconded: Carrie; **carried**
 - Muriel at the rink suggested we have information for her to hand out regarding CMHA Program information

ACTION: Carrie to put together a registration information package and provide to Recreation Center for inquiries

7:23 Ice Coordinator Report

- Have submitted Ice requests to town of Canmore for upcoming season
- A youth user group meeting is being held May 7 @ 3 pm to hash out some of the needs prior to the Town of Canmore Ice users meeting on May 19, 2015 Robin, Al and Stephanie to attend
- Stephanie to coordinate a meeting with Margret from the town of Banff prior to their ice users meeting.

7:28 CAHL Director Report

- Last CAHL meeting had a presentation from Goal Line Web site providers. Ken was very impressed and would like CMHA to adopt. Goal Line is offering MHA's a start up special

ACTION: Carrie to look at information provided and present to the new incoming board.

- CAHL has created a new executive position of Discipline Coordinator, it is a non-voting position. This will relieve the Governors' of handling suspensions.
- All Applications to join CAHL that were presented were accepted.

7:50 Girls Report

- Harold attended the Girls League AGM. There are small changes being made to the league.
- Still working on having a Girls skate and invite interested Girls from other programming to join.

7:52 Treasurers Report

- Has found no motions regarding the Eagles loans in minutes.
- **MOTION:** *As of Dec 31, 2012 carrying forward to pay the Eagles \$2500 per season for Evaluations reducing their loan of \$25000* **Moved:** Derrick seconded: Pat; **Opposed:** Ken **carried**
- **MOTION:** *To Waive the interest on the Canmore Eagles loan this year* **Moved:** Pat seconded: Derrick; **carried**



8:07 House

- There has been a written request from the membership to the board to offer Bantam House in the 2015/16 season
- Hendrick recommends Rec and House merge together into the house program. Claiming there is a need for structure and the Rec program did not provide desirable competition.
- Brenda to find out if there will be hitting in Bantam and Midget House, as there is talk of some association withdrawing hitting from their house programs
- Brenda's Year end House report Attached

8:30 Rec League Directors Report

- Rec had an eventful year, good participation, Ice conditions were not conducive to the outdoor ice times
- Referee situation from last year was resolved
- Biggest Challenge is the League itself.
- There was a great effort to work with the Newly formed Pond Program, not always successful
- Hendrick would like the new board to look at eliminating the Rec program, pending the outcome of the House program eliminating checking.

8:40 Coaching Coordinator Report

- Coaching Surveys are going out this week
- Looking forward to evaluations, more help is need to the Coaching coordinator in coordinating evaluations. It was too much for one person Discussion that the Board positions of Governors does not have any job description at this time, assisting Coach Coordinator could be in their job description Evaluation, would like to see Bantam and Midget evaluations include exhibition games before the final cut.

New board to look at having Governors' help with evaluations, and include exhibition games in the Bantam and Midget Evaluations

8:52 AGM Planning

- CMHA AGM to provide appy's at the meeting and Cash bar, draw prizes to entice membership to attend.
- Michella to provide Treasurers' report copies, ballots and pencils.
- Sharol to have Agenda and last years minutes (30 Copies)
- Board to arrive by 6:30
- All positions are up exception of President and Secretary



9:10 CMHA Tournament

- Discussion of CMHA hosted tournament, suggestion to the new board, meet with tournament directors with feedback and expectations

9:25 New Business

- Discussion of the board halting complaints. Unless the complaint is in writing, it should not be brought to the board.
- Alberta Cup coming up the weekend of May 1-3 2015. CMHA has purchase wrist bands for membership, will be distributed at the AGM

10:12 Next Meeting

- TBA after the AGM with a change over meeting shortly after.

Adjournment 10:13

MOVED Sharol, **seconded** Stephanie, **carried**

Action Items

- Sharol to post minutes on website
- Michella and Sharol to provide Agendas, Minutes, Financials, pencils and Ballots for the AGM.
- : Carrie to put together a registration information package and provide to Recreation Center for inquiries
- Carrie to look at information on Goal Line provided and present to the new incoming board.



Canmore House Hockey League

Year-end Report – 2014/15

Summary:

This past hockey season, there were approximately 67 participants in Canmore's House league. We had 1 Novice team with 17 kids, 1 Atom team with 16 players and 2 PeeWee Teams with 13 players each. The season started the weekend of October 18/19th and the regular season ended February 14/15th, 2015 Each team was scheduled to play 18 games, this year it was a bit of a mix up as some teams played 16 some 15 and some 17 games. We really need to make sure the games are consistent and maybe we offer to help with the scheduling. Playoffs started Feb 21/22 for 3 weekends; we played a round robin playoff and were guaranteed 2 games the winners played 3.

Novice: 1 team again this year with 17 kids. Melissa coached with help from Trent (a volunteer). They had a fairly successful year (see comments) we upped the number on the team from last year because of poor attendance. 17 was the right number and they never had to forfeit

Atom: 1 Atom team and they also had 17 players...they had a very successful year with great attendance and great success. They went from losing every game but a big margin to winning a couple of games and closing that margin. Robin, Jen and Marianne did a great job and are keen to repeat next year. (See comments)

PeeWee: 2 teams this year with 13 players on each.... should never have done that. Both teams had trouble getting everyone out to play and because of this we actually forfeited a few games by "borrowing" players from the other team. Each team needs a minimum of 15 players to be successful. I also had a bad time with volunteers with this age group. Managers and coaches, though both did sort of step up at the end. (See comments) We also had issues with fair play and "no contact" and the definition of what that was. We had a lot of "coaches discretion" and that needs to be addressed before the season starts.

Successes:



- The parents and coaches for House do support the program but need to be reminded of the commitment they have made.
- While it would be nice to have had a little more competition all the parents agreed they liked the set game schedule and set practice schedule. We are working on more towns joining us Golden this year and maybe Okotoks next year.
- Most teams attended a tournament away and had a great time and great success.
- For those parents that chose the House League it is a great success and hopefully will continue to grow.
- The addition of full goalie gear for all levels for those kids that want to try it out.
- The growth in the amount of kids playing

Challenges:

1. ***We had some issues this year with Cochrane. A meeting needs to be had with them to decide if we still fit into the House League rules. The PeeWee teams seem to be more competitive and we chose not to play Airdrie for that reason.***
2. Attendance in all levels particularly with Kid sport recipients.
3. Registration was very frustrating this year, kids registered and we had to track them down to see if they were playing or not. Then chase them for money and then chase them to come to practice etc. Also with the confusion with Rec out numbers changed right up until the last minute. This made dividing the PeeWee teams very frustrating.
4. This year the PeeWee teams practiced back to back. It made one practice to late for some of the younger kids. The teams alternated the times but really they should practice earlier in the evening.
5. The finals this year went very well this year with a round robin. Each level has a trophy to hand out to the winner of that level. This year Banff won Novice, Golden won Atom and Cochrane B won PeeWee.
6. To continue with Cochrane at the PeeWee level we may have to look at more ice for or players to remain competitive. Also discussions about a mercy rule, fair play and maybe do a round robin at the beginning of the season to divide teams equally.



Recommendations:

- Ensure that a confirmed schedule is distributed at the beginning of the season that includes all games and finals.
- Ensure that rules for the League for playoffs etc. are distributed and confirmed at the beginning of the season.
- Canmore might want to look at the pledge for players, coaches and parents and tweak it a bit.
- Have a liaison work with Cochrane to ensure a smooth transition and schedule as well as support them
- All jerseys and goalie gear was returned.
- Thanks to Stephanie who did an amazing job scheduling though I think we were the easy ones, Derek for support and training and Craig for equipment. I think we have a great team and look forward to the 2015/2016 season.