

Cranbrook Minor Hockey Association



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Cranbrook Minor Hockey Board Meeting Agenda February 6th 2024 6:00 pm Regular Board Meeting

Attendance – Bobby Jo Hekob, Bobby Botterill, Todd Leffler, Aaron Byng-Hall, Danny Ortynski, Rorie Hoyt, Mike Harris, Desiree Roberts, Kim Eagles, Courtney Magro, Dustin London, Graham Waugh, Nicky Heiz, Corey Kanzig

Regrets – Randi Morrison, Giacomo Scavo, Richard Nelson, Gordie Few,

1) Call to order - 6:07m

2) Adds/Amendments

- 1) Update on suspension of two board members
- 2) Regional update
- 3) Registrar position

3) Approval of January 9th minutes

- 1ST Danny Ortynski
- 2nd Bobby Botterill

4) Old Business

a. First Shift

-Nicky asked if we wanted to apply for First Shift next year, yes we do but will want to run after Christmas only.

-Motion to apply for First Shift for next year
Voted and carried, motion approved.

-Kid from this years First Shift really wants to join hockey but allowing this may open us up to too many more requests and its hard to add kids to teams at this point in the season.

**Motion to allow this child to join once First Shift is over
3 in favor (Corey Kanzig, Danny Ortynski, Bobby Botterill)
Rest against,
*Motion denied.***

5) New Business

a. Update on Board Member Suspensions

- Two CMHA board members who serve as a coach and manager on a U11 rep team were suspended by EK / BC Hockey until March 31st 2024. CMHA executives meet last night. We had a very long discussion at the executive meeting about the implications of this incident and it was felt that they needed to be held to a higher standard as they are board members representing CMHA. It was voted (5-3) that both board members would be removed from the board with 3-year ban from the board. Both could apply to coach and manage again after the March 31st suspension date from EK/BC Hockey

-The details of the incident were discussed with the board members and are as follows;

- Previous to this year U11 was allowed to carry an AP list. Since they do not have that this year, they are required to follow the EK Hockey Guidelines when borrowing players (have to be at 12 or less skaters and need to fill out a player relief form etc.) They submitted an incorrect roster for a game on January 5th 2024. They borrowed a player from U11 house but did not do the paperwork on him to have him added to the roster. At game time, they arrived a player who was not in attendance and did they did not have their borrowed player on the roster at all.

-It was explained to the executive by Todd and Aaron that by doing this, it voided the Hockey Canada Insurance for everyone on the ice including the officials and coaches etc.

- It was noted by someone with CMHA in the stands that something was off with one of the kids jerseys so they sent an email to the team manager the day after asking about their roster and players on the ice as – the manager did not reply

-Ek Hockey was informed.

-Todd sent a text a two days after the incident to the coach and he initially lied saying that it was their regular roster only on the ice and one of the kids forgot his jersey so was wearing a different one. This information was relayed to EK. The coach followed up with Todd a few days later saying he lied and they did have a player from U11 house on the ice.

- It was felt by some at the executive meeting that by signing and submitting an incorrect roster they knowingly put the kids at risk by voiding the insurance. There was a long discussion about whether they would know that this would void in the insurance.

-A few members in the room for tonight's board meeting noted that they did not know that the roster had anything to do with the on ice insurance coverage.

-Some in attendance at tonight's regular board meeting expressed concern about the consequences not fitting the violation and felt that a lifetime ban was too harsh especially considering that both volunteers were in good standing prior to this issue and have gone above and beyond in their roles for years. They also did not steal money, hurt a child or consume alcohol on the bench etc.

-Some in attendance felt that CMHA should support their members in these situations. Todd explained that we all know mistakes happen and the board would have supported and help them correct it if at the time they had acknowledge it instead of trying to hide it.

-Neither board member in question were present for either meeting or able to provide a statement on their behalf

-Going forward we will now need a new U9 Division head assigned, Mike Harris agreed.

-Will need to change banking information and get log in information for emails and spreadheads form previous division head. Desiree and Aaron will work on this

b. Regional Team Update

-Some parents have requested CMHA consider a U16 team.

-Might be hard to find tournaments

-Depends on our numbers and numbers for surrounding associations.

-Todd will discuss options at the EK meeting,

c. Registrar Position

-Nicky is moving so will be resigning, will stay on until the end of May

-Will need to start advertising.

-May need to increase the wage to attract the right candidate.

-Maybe divide and have two jobs

5) Reports:

- i) **Registrar Report**- Reminder of Dec 1st registration cut off for coming year. Ice will be in until March 15th for CMHA
- ii) **U7 Danny Orzynski**- Minor and Major teams playing games at Bucks intermission, well received, kids love it!
Motion to allow 2-3 female players join U7 prorated fee
- iii) **U9 Mike Harris** – Tournament planning, Mike will connect with managers and see how to help
- iv) **U11 Dustin London**-Wondering about cost and final details for banner? Not available yet
- v) **U13 Courtney Magro** - Rec head coach removed assistant coach, need to let the board know when these decisions are made.
-One U13 rec team has opted out of banner as they have a tournament the same weekend. No fine this time but going forward teams will not be allowed to opt out after the deadline.
- vi) **U15/18 Gordie Frew**- Nothing
- vii) **Equipment/Facilities Giacomo Scavo** - Nothing
- viii) **Photos Kim Eagles and Courtney Magro** – One player U11B missing photos, gave manager contact for AAA Photography
- ix) **Website/Facebook Kim Eagles**- Nothing
- x) **PR Chris Hill** - Nothing
- xi) **Risk Management/Safety Corey Kanzig** - Nothing
- xii) **Clinics Richard Nelson** - Nothing
- xiii) **Female Bobby Jo Hekob, Randi Morrison** - March 17th is a Female Jamboree Bc Hockey is footing the bill
- xiv) **SCHAL/EK- Mike Harris and Todd Leffler**- U15 Tier 4 received a donation from EK hockey of \$2000 towards provincials
- xv) **Goalie Development** -Nothing
- xvi) **Ref Assignor Graham Waugh/Corey Kanzig** – Refs for provincials getting sorted out. Going to send a few to officiating camp again
- xvii) **Coach Coordinator Richard Nelson** - Nothing
- xviii) **Fundraising/Sponsorship/Hotels Bobby Botterill, Rorie Hoyt, Mike Harris, Danny Orzynski** – Signed jerseys are not ready yet
- xix) **Indigenous Culture Safety Training Randi Morrison**- Nothing

6) Next Meeting March 15th 2024

7) Meeting adjourned 8:06 pm

1st Bobby Botterill

2nd Mike Harris

