

**Delburne Minor Hockey Association
General Meeting
October 13, 2022**

In Attendance: Meagan Austin, Stacy Rieder, Crystal Peters, Deb Gertsma, Cathy Robinson, Jackie Smith, De Anne Hutchison, Cheryl Marek, Kyle Marek, Amanda Brockhoff, Tyler Marek, Layne Marek, Dustin Metz, Brett Warner, Jon Andre, Tana Burnett, Courtney Cox, Michelle Page, Kim McKnight, Steve McKnight, Mark Hanh, Leslie Raniseth, Erin McKay, Randi Babb

Called To Order: 7:04 p.m.

Adoption of Agenda: Courtney adopted agenda, 2nd by De Anne

Adoption of previous meeting minutes: Layne adopted minutes, 2nd by Brett

Presidents Report: Erin has been attending parent meetings for the start up of the season, went over player movement for one age group to the next and it has been decided to follow the guidelines. Erin has also talked with the Ag Society about starting the season a little earlier so that start up for the season is less chaotic. The U18 oversized roster has been approved for the season.

Treasurer's Report: Read by Leslie, 2nd by Amanda

CAHL Report: Cathy went over procedures if a player is injured and wants to sit on the bench, they must wear a helmet and neck guard. Viking was not accepted into the CAHL league as per the vote.

AG Society Report: The Ag Society will be having a 50/50 Raffle fundraiser and is requesting that \$10 from every family participating in minor hockey and figure skating to help with the raffle. The draw will happen Snowflake Saturday.

Arena Manager's Report: Cups for water will now be 25 cents, as cups have been found shredded and the same people have been repeatedly asking for cups. Refillable water bottles will still be refilled.

Referee Report: There is a continued Ref shortage, already 6 associations looking for refs this opening weekend. Everyone is welcome to take the refereeing course. There will be another recruiting drive for more refs and maybe hosting another clinic. Gwen did state that having the course hosted on weeknights is a good idea and would like it to be held on weeknights in the future. Went over the rule 11-maltreatment, the league is cracking down on being respectful. If this is called it could lead to a 10 min misconduct. For more information it can be found on Hockey Canada website.

Merchandise Report: Jersey's should arrive anytime but will not be ready for the first couple of weeks. Just found out that a new sponsor for a set of jersey's came forward, so the name will be added when the jerseys arrive. Sock sizing was done and will be ordered as soon as possible. Sizers for apparel will be at practices for the next couple of practices and orders will need to be in by October 22nd. The order form will be emailed out. If name bars are needed, please reach out to Kim and she will have more information if needed.

Media Report: Not much happening but if you would like anything posted let Cheryl know.

Team Reports:

U7/LTP: Everything is looking good.

U9: There is 29 kids that are on 3 teams. The U9 tournament is having a 20-team tournament on November 18 weekend, with 10 teams already confirmed.

U11: Tiering starts this weekend, and the home tournament will be on January 6 to 8, there has been lots of interest.

U13: The team is a small group this year with 10 skaters, having a hard time finding an away tournament for this, but still looking.

U15: There are 14 players with 1 injured. Crystal is working on a procedure book for the timebox and clock. The home tournament is on Dec 16 to 18.

U18: There are 19 players this year with the oversized team being approved.

Old Business:

- a) **Jody Carrington:** Courtney will book a meeting in the next couple of weeks to start on the planning and advertising.
- b) **Jersey's:** Went over in Merchandise report.
- c) **Dryland Training:** There is dryland training done by Shalyn, for the U15 and U18 teams every second Thursday of the month and will go until January.
- d) **Val Norrie:** She is here every Tuesday of October and will go over if there is more interest for later in the year.

New Business:

- a) **RIC:** Gwen and Brian. They went over that this position takes a lot of time and is tough to put down how much time goes into organizing refs and being the go between for all the refs. They are willing to both take on this role this year. They would like to make sure that all the games that need refs to go through Leanne and not put up to the individual teams as it is more organized with only one contact. If there are any issues or questions that the coaches have regarding refs Brian will be the contact. Gwen would like to continue with the mentorship program for the younger refs. Amanda stated she was very appreciative of the program, and it is good to see someone out with the younger refs who is willing to teach and help support them. There was also a lot of positive comments from out-of-town teams last year regarding this program. Jackie made a motion for the RIC honorarium for 2 person RIC to be \$1500 each and if it is one person to be \$2000 per year. Also, for Gwen to receive her ref wage for every game she mentors, 2nd by Randi and all in favor.
- b) **Bylaw/Guideline committee:** Erin proposed to start a Bylaw/Guideline committee to go over guidelines and policies for the association. Some people interested were Tyler, Debbie, Kyle, Brett, Erin. More to follow.
- c) **Snowflake Saturday:** Will be on December 10th. All teams are to play a home game that day. Looking for ideas to bring forward at the next meeting. Ex. Santa, draw table?
- d) **E-transfers:** De Anne brought up that more and more teams are moving to online money transfers for payments. Jackie made a motion so that DMHA to investigate team accounts so that money does not go through individual managers but the DMHA association, 2nd by Cathy and all in favour.

Next Meeting: November 1st

Adjourned: 7:52 p.m.