

AGMEAST CENTRAL ALBERTA FEMALE HOCKEY LEAGUE

Fall MEETING September 8, 2021

AGENDA – Called to Order @ 7:02 pm

1. **Presentation of Member Delegates:**

1.1. **Present:**

- 1.1.1. President – Justin Cornet – Cold Lake Minor Hockey
- 1.1.2. Vice President – Brad Hutchinson – Lac La Biche Minor Hockey
- 1.1.3. Past President – Mike Krips – Vermilion Minor Hockey
- 1.1.4. Treasurer – Nicole Sobchyshyn – Wainwright Minor Hockey
- 1.1.5. Secretary – Carrie Krips– Vermilion Minor Hockey
- 1.1.6. U11 Governor – Mike Krips – Vermilion Minor Hockey
- 1.1.7. U13 Governor – Jenine Ruzicka – Wainwright Minor Hockey
- 1.1.8. U15 Governor – Jody McKsimming – Fort McMurray Minor Hockey - *Absent*
- 1.1.9. U18 Governor – Jill Wallace – Battle River

2. **Roll Call of Member Delegates:**

2.1. **Present:**

- 2.1.1. Cold Lake – Jay Hall
- 2.1.2. Bonnyville – Jay Hall
- 2.1.3. St. Paul – Deana Machney
- 2.1.4. Lac La Biche – Brad Hutchinson
- 2.1.5. Lloydminster – Scott Forbes
- 2.1.6. Vermilion – Shaun Cadrain / Melissa Loades
- 2.1.7. Irma – Carrie Larson
- 2.1.8. Battle River – Charles Bullee
- 2.1.9. Provost – *Member in good standing - no attendance required at this time.*
- 2.1.10. Kitscoty – Nancy Miciak
- 2.1.11. Wainwright – Orlando Radies / Shawn Murphy
- 2.1.12. Dewberry – Crystal
- 2.1.13. Onion Lake – Roxanne Littlewolf
- 2.1.14. Fort McMurray – Christy Trotchay

3. **Approval of Agenda:**

- 3.1. Any additional items to be added
N/A

3.1.1. Motion to accept by: Nicole Sobchyshyn

3.1.2. Seconded by: Shaun Cadrain

3.1.3. Passed or Rejected: Passed

4. **Introduction of Special Guests:**

- 4.1. Potential Guests at the meeting

N/A

5. Reading of Minutes:

5.1. Meeting minutes from the April Meeting were reviewed by Justin.

5.1.1. Motion to accept by: Christy Trotchay

5.1.2. Seconded by: Brad Hutchinson

6. Business Arising from the Minutes:

6.1. Outstanding fines from 2017 / 2018 / 2019 / 2020 / 2021 Season

- Justin advised the audit was discussed last meeting. All outstanding fines have been paid.
- All Star Game – There will be no ASG this year.
Special Events Day – Jody and Christy from Fort McMurray willing to organize the special events day / committee to have incorporated into next season. Committee to be set up this year and present ideas for Spring meeting. Justin to discuss with Jody and Christy. Jenine Ruzicka advised she also would like to be a part of the committee.
- Discussion carried over from Spring meeting on increasing the team size to 12 from 10. Discussed HA rules and HA draft policy. Need to set minimum viable team size. Agreed to set a minimum of 12. Lengthy discussion.
Justin looked at other leagues – they are going with 12.

6.1.1.1. Motion to increase affiliate numbers from 10 to 12 by: Shaun Cadrain

6.1.1.2. Seconded to increase affiliate numbers by: Christy Trotchay

7. Presidents' Report:

Justin advised hoping to have a full season this year, so far so good. HA is leaving it up to AHS to determine. They aren't going to bring in anything that AHS don't force them to. We do have some changes to the playoff structure this year that we will discuss later in the meeting.

8. Playoff Report:

Nothing to report.

8.1. Congratulations to:

8.2. Atom –

8.3. PeeWee –

8.4. Bantam –

8.5. Midget –

8.6. Teams each community plans on registering this season in the ECAFHL

	U11	U13	U15	U18
Cold Lake	1	1	1	1
St. Paul		1		1
Lac La Biche				
Lloydminster	4	3	1 ?2	1 ?2
Vermilion	1	?1	?1	1
Irma	1	1		
Battle River	1	1	1	1
Provost	1			
Kitscoty			1	
Wainwright				
Onion Lake			1	
Dewberry				1
Fort McMurray	1	1	1	1
TOTAL	10	8 ?9	6 ?8	7 ?8

9. Treasurers' Report:

9.1. Nicole presented Treasure's report.

9.2. Discussion, comments, concerns about the treasure report

- Nicole advised the team fees have been reduced to \$150. Next year will be back up to \$250. There is money in the term deposit for banners or other extra expenses.
- Justin advised that game books will be ordered, but asked that if anyone has game books from last year, to pass on to Managers to use this season. Please bring books to scheduling meeting.

9.2.1. Motion to accept treasure report by: Nicole Sobchyshyn

9.2.2. Seconder for the treasure report by: Scott Forbes

10. Reports of Councils and Committees:

10.1. No reports

11. Nominations:

N/A

12. Unfinished Business:

No unfinished business left to resolve.

13. New Business:

13.1. **New Associations to the ECAFHL**

Fort McMurray probationary season will be this season due to the shortened season last year.

13.2. Website updates & email notifications

13.2.1. Website is up and running, registrations are working. Team fees are \$150. Nicole asked that the local minor hockey associations' contacts form be filled out. No way to put on as a required document so asked for all teams to please remember to do it. Can send pictures, tournaments, etc to Nicole if you want added to website. May be growing pains, but its year one. Discussion had about RAMP website and how it works.

13.3. Hockey Alberta

13.3.1. HA League Restructure – Instead of MHA's owning the leagues, they would be run under HA umbrella.

13.3.2. Open discussion, questions, grumblings

Minor Hockey associations own the leagues, but HA wants to restructure so they own the leagues. All Alberta will run under the same policies and procedures.

Covid Guidelines - AHS is going to mandate and HA will follow those guidelines. Local minor hockey associations will post their own guidelines. See how it goes, may have to have another meeting.

There have been discussions about Alberta One Program - one central website and all the different leagues under that website.

Discussion.

No motion required – information item.

13.4. Playoff Structure

13.4.1. U11 – Tournament Style

No provincials for U11 – one weekend, end of year tournament for banner. Will need an Association to step up and host. Can charge a fee for ice time and refs, etc.

Any association interested in hosting to talk to Justin.

13.4.1.1. Motion to have a U11 style tournament for Playoffs by: Christy Trotchay

13.4.1.2. Secunder for U11 playoffs format by: Mike Krips

13.4.2. U13, U15, U18 – double elimination style / tournament over multiple weekends – Proposed new format of league champs representing at Provincials – to be incorporated next season.

Provincial dates are as follows:

U13 & U18 – March 25 weekend

U15 – April 1 weekend

League must be completed minimum 10 days prior to provincials. League champs will represent at Provincials. Discussion on how to format the league finals. North/South division one weekend, then cross over the following weekend. Top 2 teams come together to play for banner. Or do bracket style. ECAFHL may have to kick in some money to help with this. Nicole advised we do have funds if need be. Suggestion made to just try the new format for U13 this year and see how it goes.

Justin to send out proposed formats to managers to be discussed at scheduling meeting.

13.5. Scheduling Meeting

13.5.1. October 6, 2021 @ 6:30 pm at the Pomeroy in Vermilion

REP from EACH division has to be there.

16-18 games – Justin asked teams to please bring enough ice times.

October 30 will be the first league game. The 2 weekends prior to that can be exhibition games.

13.6. Any other new business

- Scott Forbes from Lloydminster inquired if the league would be open to having a potential U13 tiered team move up to U15 division. They have 3 teams, and would hold try outs. Approximately 15 skates, \$125 to try out and they would take the top 15 players based on hockey skills. Discussion.

13.6.1.1. Motion for Lloydminster Minor Hockey to potentially have a tiered U13 female team to play in U15 by: Scott Forbes

13.6.1.2. Secunder for Lloydminster U13 team to play U15 by: Shaun Cadrain

- Nicole advised the mail box costs \$180/year. Just junk mail and doesn't really get used. Willing to use her personal PO Box number if need be.

13.6.1.3. Motion to get rid of the ECAFHL mail box and everything be sent to Nicole's PO Box by: Jenine Ruzicka

13.6.1.4. Secunder for change in PO Box number by: Scott Forbes

14. Elections (AGM):

Justin advised all Govenors are willing to stay on. Christy or Jodi can take a governor position if needed. Brad is willing to stay on as vice president, but if anyone wants to step up, they can.

15. Adjournment:

15.1. Spring AGM date and time:
April – Justin to send email

15.2. Adjournment:

15.2.1. Motioned by: Scott Forbes

15.2.2. Seconded by: Shaun Cadrain