

## **EAST CENTRAL ALBERTA FEMALE HOCKEY LEAGUE**

**Spring MEETING April 13, 2023**  
**AGENDA – Called to Order @ 6:33 pm**

**1. Presentation of Member Delegates:**

**1.1. Present:**

- 1.1.1. President – Jill Wallace – Battle River Minor Hockey
- 1.1.2. Vice President – Deena Machney – St. Paul Canadiens
- 1.1.3. Past President – Justin Cornet – Cold Lake 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 – Chad Byrne – Irma Minor Hockey
- 1.1.7. U13 Governor – Jenine Ruzicka – Battle River Minor Hockey
- 1.1.8. U15 Governor – Jody McSkimming – Fort McMurray Minor Hockey
- 1.1.9. U18 Governor – Mike Krips – Vermilion Minor Hockey

**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 – Deena Machney
- 2.1.4. Lac La Biche – Otto Fayad
- 2.1.5. Lloydminster – Scott Forbes / Steve Gehlen
- 2.1.6. Vermilion – Sarah Kastendieck / Brad Wight
- 2.1.7. Irma – Shayna Mackay
- 2.1.8. Battle River – Charles Bullee
- 2.1.9. Provost – (submitted letter - Dormant, in good standing)
- 2.1.10. Kitscoty – Katherine Delisle
- 2.1.11. Wainwright – Brent Walker
- 2.1.12. Dewberry – Crystal Becker
- 2.1.13. Onion Lake – No delegate present
- 2.1.14. Fort McMurray – Jody McSkimming

**3. Approval of Agenda:**

- 3.1. Any additional items to be added
  - 3.1.1. Motion to accept by: Chad Byrne
  - 3.1.2. Seconded by: Jody McSkimming
  - 3.1.3. Passed or Rejected – Passed

**4. Introduction of Special Guests:**

- 4.1. Potential Guests at the meeting
  - Hughenden Minor Hockey – Crystal Amundson

**5. Reading of Minutes:**

- 5.1. Meeting minutes from the September AGM Meeting were reviewed.

**6. Business Arising From the Minutes:**

- 6.1. Outstanding fines from 2021/22 Season – Nicole advised none.
- 6.2. U11 Playoff Tournament – Chad Byrnes advised the Tournament went really well. Good feedback. Did the 2 pools of teams with top and bottom divisions, and all was good.
- 6.3. Team fees back to \$250.

**7. Presidents' Report:**

Jill reported over all we had a successful season, changes are coming with the Alberta One Format which we all need to comply with, we're waiting on clarity with Hockey Alberta and will have to put that into place this fall before league play starts. We also would like to start a week earlier to give everyone extra time to get their season rolling. There were no wild cards this year with provincials, so there was a host and 5 league winners. We successfully brought home all the provincial titles and a silver in the female B divisions. It was spread across the league with tighter finishes within our league than provincials. I hope this improves female hockey throughout our associations.

**8. Playoff Report:**

- 8.1. Congratulations to;
- 8.2. U11 – Lloydminster Blazers Team 2
- 8.3. U13 – Irma Aces League and Provincial Champions
- 8.4. U15 – Battle River Knights League and Provincial Champions
- 8.5. U18 – Battle River Knights League and Provincial silver medalists  
U18 – Lakeland Jags Provincial Champions
- 8.6. Teams each community plans on registering this season in the ECAFHL (will discuss further at Fall AGM)

	<b>U11</b>	<b>U13</b>	<b>U15</b>	<b>U18</b>
<b>Cold Lake/Bonnyville</b>	1	1	1	1
<b>St. Paul</b>	2	1		1
<b>Lac La Biche</b>	1?			
<b>Lloydminster</b>	2 ?3	1 2?	2	2?
<b>Vermilion</b>	1?		1	1
<b>Irma</b>	1	1	1	
<b>Battle River</b>	1	1	1	1
<b>Provost</b>				
<b>Kitscoty</b>		1	1?	
<b>Wainwright</b>	1		1?	
<b>Onion Lake</b>			1	
<b>Dewberry/Marwayne</b>				1
<b>Fort McMurray</b>	1 2?	1	1	1
<b>Hughenden</b>	1?			
<b>TOTAL</b>	9 14?	7 8?	8 10?	6 8?

**9. Treasurers' Report:**

- 9.1. Nicole to present a Treasures report  
Nicole reported we are not short of money No questions or comments.
- 9.2. *Discussion, comments, concerns about the treasure report*
  - 9.2.1. Motion to accept treasure report by: Katherine Delisle
  - 9.2.2. Secorder for the treasure report by: Otto Fayad

**10. Reports of Councils and Committees:**

- 10.1. No reports

**11. Nominations:**

- 11.1. \_Fall Meeting  
Open positions will be U18 Governor and Secretary. As well, a Discipline Coordinator will be a new position available. Let Jill know if you want to step up for any position.

**12. New Business:**

- 12.1. Insurance Discussion

**12.1.1. Board of Directors Insurance**

Jill advised that to get Board of Directors Insurance would cost about \$1000-\$1200. Hockey Canada covers a bit. Mike Krips advised it is necessary. Jill to get quotes and present at Fall meeting.

**12.2. Vote in Deena Machney as VP as she was appointed in the fall.**

Jill motioned to vote in Deena Machney as Vice President for a 2-year term.

All in favor – Passed

**12.3. Alberta One changes to take place**

Jill advised that there are not a lot of answers from HA right now, but she has received some clarity on some rules. Everything gets passed through a committee for HA to approve.

Discussion had regarding a few items brought forward.

East Central is so strong across the board, they may be advised to go A Provincials. Regular league as usual, but there has been discussion about within a league the top 3-ish teams play off for A Provincials and next 5-ish teams play off for B Provincials. Two teams would be going, that's great. No wild card in Provincials. Likely keep 6 teams, but change format. Currently a work in progress. Jenine inquired on why Calgary and Edmonton seem to always be exempt. Jill advised they aren't necessarily exempt, they just lack ice. Edmonton does not like to travel, but may come outside the City in the future. Will know more in the fall.

Scott mentioned a 2-game total point.

Game 1 – Team A wins, score doesn't matter.

Game 2 – Team B wins, score doesn't matter.

Game 3 is played as a 10-minute period immediately following to determine a winner.

Jill advised that any play offs will be approved by Alberta One, we won't have a choice.

Further discussion and review of regulations and appendices will be had at the Fall meeting. Please read before then. They will be on website.

**13. Round Table**

Nicole mentioned about EC hosting an All Star Game again. We do have the funds, could start back up. Discussion had. Mike advised what was supposed to be a fun day of hockey to showcase our talent, turned in to a lot of hurt feelings and the Executive taking flack from parents, coaches, players etc. Suggestions made were for the Board to pick players, not coaches. Goalies are the hard players to choose. Teams can put in a bid to host. League to sponsor something at the end of the season and name an All Star team and players. No game, but acknowledge players.

**13.1. Fines**

**13.1.1.** \$100 fine for non-attendance will be sent to Onion Lake.

**14. Adjournment:**

**14.1.** Spring AGM date and time – September 7/23, 6:30 pm, Pomeroy in Vermilion

**14.2.** Adjournment: 7:21 pm

**14.2.1.** Motioned by: Scott Forbes

**14.2.2.** Seconded by: Charles Bullee