



Attendees:

Connie Stang	Chris March	John Putters
Christy Rake	Duncan MacDougall	Elton Davidge
Mikaul - DMHA	Michelle Malbeuf	Mike Watt - SGMHA
Charlene - SMHA	Andrew - Confed	Gene Connors - SMHA
Curtis Ferguson-Leduc	Linda H - NSH	Sharlene Cook
Carmen	Marvin Heise - Northstars	SGMHA
Paul Brown - KC	Aimee Skye – FHA	Codie Richard - WMW
Ray Vigneau - HE	SGMHA	Andy Connelly – SEERA
Sarah Baker		

Ask that only the delegate or alternate delegate vote in favour of any motions.

Call to Order

John Putters called the meeting to order at 7:03pm and Connie Stang, Secretary, recorded the minutes.

Adoption of Agenda

Mike Watt moved acceptance of the agenda as presented. Seconded by Mikaul DMHA.

Approved by majority (virtual) vote and carried unanimously.

Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting (as circulated)

Gene Connors moved acceptance of the 2023 AGM minutes. Seconded by Knights of Columbus.

Approved by majority (virtual) vote and carried unanimously.

New Business

i) Elections – 2024

Vice-President

Elton Davidge has let his name stand for Vice-President.

No nominations put forward for Vice-President

Mike Watt put forward a motion to accept Elton Davidge as Vice-President of EFHL for the 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 years, seconded by Gene Connors. Carried unanimously.

Treasurer

Christy Rake has let his name stand for Treasurer.

No nominations put forward for Treasurer

Gene Connors put forward a motion to accept Christy Rake as Treasurer of EFHL for the 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 years, seconded by Aimee Skye. Carried unanimously.

ii) Adoption of Team Fees for 2024-2025 Season (As Circulated)

Andrew – Confed put forward a motion to accept team fees for the 2024-2025 season as circulated. Seconded by Mikaul - Devon.

Approved by majority (virtual) vote and carried unanimously.

iii) Approval of Discipline Directors for 2024-2025 Season. (Sharlene Cook/Michelle Malbeuf)

Kevin put forward a motion to accept Sharlene Cook / Michelle Malbeuf as Discipline Directors 2025-2026 season, seconded by Mikaul. Carried unanimously.

iv) Operations Committee Updates

- Approval of Camrose U18 NBC 2 teams requesting participation in EFHL for 2024-2025 season as they have no non body checking options in Central Alberta Hockey League.
- Chris suggested that two non-bodychecking teams from the Central Alberta Hockey League (CAMS) participate in the Edmonton Federation of Hockey Leagues (EFHL) for the upcoming season.
- This proposal was discussed and accepted by Spruce Grove, with the new teams set to participate in the 2024 and 2025 seasons. The teams will be responsible for arranging their own ice time, and the Central Alberta Hockey League expressed interest in additional ice availability, potentially reducing pressure on EFHL associations. Concerns were raised about EFHL associations' difficulty in obtaining ice, and smaller centers were advised to ensure they could handle two additional U18 home games.

Mike Watt put forward a motion to accept 2 hockey teams for 2025-2026 season only and return, seconded by Curtis Ferguson. 1 vote against – need to go to a roll call vote.

- Chris led a roll call vote for a motion, which was seconded by Curtis Ferguson. The vote was carried with 369 votes in favor and 15 against. The associations that voted in favor included Beaumont, Devon, Female Hockey Alliance, Enoch, Hawks, Night to Columbus, Casey savers, Leduc, Millwoods, Northeast zone, North Sierra, Northwest zone, Sierra, Sherwood Park, Script, Spruce grove, Stony, plain, St. Albert, Strathcona, Sturgeon, Swatt, White mud, and Duncan.

Reports

a) Committee and Executive Reports

i. President

- John thanked the team for their contributions and emphasized the importance of their roles in the organization. He noted his focus on league matters rather than association issues and praised Chris's leadership.

ii. Treasurer

- Christy presented the financial statements, highlighting a net income of \$120,000 and suggesting a potential reduction in team fees for the next year.
- Chris clarified the decision not to publish the financial statements to prevent potential fraud and emphasized the security measures in place for electronic transactions.

Gene Connors put a motion forward to accept the financial statements as presented, seconded by Charlene – SMHA. Carried unanimously.

- iii. League Commissioner/Hockey Alberta Minor Leagues
 - Report circulated.
 - Chris informed the team about the decision to hand over the U11 Double A program to Hockey Alberta, who would also be running it under the Double A program.
 - Duncan raised concerns about teams potentially traveling to other provinces, but Chris clarified that many associations would still host the teams.
 - Chris also reported on the ongoing issue of Hockey Alberta's proposal to change the tiering system, which was met with resistance from other leagues.

- iv. Referee
 - Duncan mentioned an upcoming meeting to discuss the previous and upcoming seasons.
 - Chris suggested sharing a spreadsheet with projected rates for the next season to be proactive about potential increases.
 - Chris expressed how much as a league we appreciate the partnership we have with Duncan and the RIC and want to thank him for his time and service.

- v. Scheduling
 - Report from Carmen communicated by Chris
 - The league's scheduling and operations were discussed, with Chris highlighting proposed changes to the schedule for next season, including an additional 15 minutes for medal presentations and pictures.

- vi. Discipline
 - Report circulated.
 - Sharlene and Michelle documented their disciplinary efforts in a report to be reviewed over the summer.
 - Chris thanked Sharlene and Michelle as well as Tomiko who sat as the discipline chair for various meetings.

Action Items

Next Meeting

EFHL – August 14, 2024

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm by Sturgeon and seconded by Gene Connors.

Respectfully submitted,

Connie Stang, Secretary