



Hinton Minor Hockey Association

MEETING MINUTES

November 16, 2023 – 6:30pm

Hinton, Alberta

Board Members

John Ermel, Kym Sartorius, Brit Aspell, Matt Aspell, Kyle Cieslikowski, Sarah Siroski, Tosha Destautels, Jen Greffard, Lisa Brydges, Greg Nagam, Kevin Graham

Regrets

Dave Switzer

Call the meeting to order

6:33pm

Additions & Adoption of Agenda

Kym makes a motion to adopt the agenda, Tosha seconds the motion.

Adoption of Minutes

October 3, 2023, Minutes. Lisa makes a motion to adopt the minutes, Brit seconds the motion.

Old Business

- Season Review
- Policy Review: Tabled until New Year
- Officiating Incentive

New Business

Board Member Resignation

- Dave Switzer tendered his resignation. Dave thanks everyone for their time and will help with whatever is needed.
- Kevin Graham is recommended for the equipment manager position. All in Favor. Motion is passed to accept Kevin Graham as interim equipment manager.

High School Volunteers

- Jen was asked by a couple high school students if we could offer them any volunteer spots for hockey games. The volunteer hours go towards a credits program at Harry Collinge. At this time, HMHA can't accept volunteers that are minors.

Skate Guards

- The Town of Hinton is asking HMHA to have our skaters have skate guards on the benches during ice activities in case of an emergency.
- Emails will be sent to members recommending that their players have skate guards.

NEAHL & HMHA Updates

- Booking games has been difficult when dealing with more than one deputy governor. There is no consistency. Scheduling games has been different for every team/tier. It would be a lot easier if the scheduling was the same for the entire league.
- Hinton had some teams moved in tiering this year with Neahl. Next season while making teams maybe we should look at building the teams differently.
- There is a possibility of Hinton hosting provincials. There is an application that needs to be submitted to Hockey Alberta.

Manager Equipment

- A policy will be added to our policies and procedures manual regarding manager equipment ie: tablets. There will be a \$50 fee at the beginning of the season when tablets are handed out to managers. The \$50 to be refunded back to the managers upon return of undamaged tablet.

Tournament Structure

- Parent/guardian volunteers and refusing to volunteer. As per our policies, there is a \$25 fine to the parents/guardians who refuse to volunteer. We will look at amending this policy in the future.
- Our tournament application needs more information. Teams applying seem to have a lot of extra questions. Kyle is going to add more information.
- Towards the end of the season, we will have a meeting with the tournament coordinator to discuss possible changes to the tournament manual.
- Next season look at possibly combining the U7/U9 tournament. We need to figure out how to avoid having so many back-to-back tournaments.

Refund Policy

- Other associations charge a \$25-\$50 administration fee when refunds are issued. This is something our association should also add to our By-Laws.
- Another suggestion to add to the By-Laws is refunds from the registration date and prior to the first time the player has participated in any on-ice activity, \$200 will be non-refundable.

Individual Team Donations

- Add to the policies that each team gets a one-time donation with a cap of \$1000.00.
- No Soliciting

Executive reports

President:

Nothing to add.

Vice- President:

Nothing to add.

Secretary:

Nothing to add.

Treasurer:

\$270,849.00 bank balance.

Gaming Coordinator:

100 books for Cash for Christmas raffle printed.

Board members and managers aren't required to sell tickets.

Referee in Chief:

24 referees registered and scheduled.

Registrar:

Rosters have been approved except U11-2, they are still pending.

There are a couple of coaches behind on their Respect in Sport.

Following up with the new coaches to make sure all credentials are met would be a huge help.

Equipment Manager:

Nothing to add.

Coach Coordinator:

Nothing to add.

Ways & Means:

Secure Energy is going to continue sponsoring the U7's.

Meeting with Vista Mine in January for next season.

Ice Convenor:

Nothing to add.

Round Table

Adjournment: 8:53pm

Next Meeting: December 14, 2023
