Hockey Regina Inc Board of Directors Meeting Minutes Tuesday June 14, 2016

Attendance:

Brad Hunt (Chair)

Todd Taylor

Andrea Hoffman

Ian Jones

Kevin Baron

Joanne Merk

Christie Bjolverud

Mark Burton

Geoff Thachuk

Trevor Mitchell

Blair Watson (Staff)

Regrets:

Rick Hagglund

Larry Wees

1. Call to order

Brad called the meeting to order at 7:06PM.

2. Minutes

MOTION: To approve previous minutes. Moved Todd, Seconded Mark. CARRIED

3. Business out of Minutes - Team Selection

- Bantam AA Much discussion on the amount of protected players each team would be allowed. Whether to include goalies in that number MOTION: To allow the Bantam AA coaches to protect up to 4 skaters from the previous years roster. Moved Geoff, Seconded Mark. CARRIED
- MIDGET AA –Discussion on the amount of protected players each team is allowed.

MOTION: To allow the Midget AA coaches to protect up to 6 skaters from the previous years roster. Moved Brad, Seconded Joanne. CARRIED

- Female Atom + Pee Wee Continued discussion on the number of guaranteed players in Female Atom and Pee Wee and why different than the male teams. MOTION: To increase the amount off guaranteed players in Atom Female to 10 skaters. Moved Trevor, Seconded Geoff. CARRIED
- For team selection, tweak the Pee Wee AA available players to top 90 and the Pee Wee Female to top 18.

4. Associate Review

Associate Review committee -

- Brad, Trevor, Todd and Blair met with the Associates
- Blair went over the Associate meeting details (Appendix B)

- Prairie Storm: Accept Prairie Storm in all divisions with the condition of no imports, Pee Wee AA roster to be 15 skaters and the roster size is the same in all tiers in a division. Moved Todd, Seconded Trevor CARRIED
- <u>Lumsden:</u> Accept Lumsden as presented with the condition that the Pee Wee AA team carry 15 skaters. Moved Todd, Seconded Trevor CARRIED
- <u>Pense/Grand Coulee:</u> Accept Pense in all divisions as presented.
 Moved Trevor, Seconded Todd CARRIED
- <u>Quad Town:</u> Accept Quad Town as presented. Moved Trevor, Seconded Todd CARRIED
- o <u>Southey:</u> Accept Southey in Bantam A, decline Novice, Atom, Pee Wee. Moved Trevor, Seconded Todd CARRIED
- <u>Indian Head:</u> Accept Indian Head as presented. Moved Trevor, Seconded Todd CARRIED
- <u>Weyburn:</u> Accept Weyburn as presented except for their Bantam B team. Moved Todd, Seconded Trevor CARRIED
- <u>Notre Dame:</u> Accept Notre Dame as presented. Moved Trevor, Seconded Todd CARRIED
- <u>Moose Jaw:</u> Accept Moose Jaw as presented. Moved Trevor, Seconded Todd CARRIED
- <u>Cupar:</u> Accept Cupar as presented. Moved Trevor, Seconded Todd CARRIED

5. Novice zones/team formation matrix (Appendix B)

- Trevor discussed the proposed changes to Novice zones and the team formation matrix
- Change from 4 to 3 zones. This will make us more comparable to Saskatoon who has 6 zones.
- Tweak the team formation matrix for 12 teams. This brings us inline with Saskatoon.
- Also add a 13 team option(#2)
- If these changes were implemented last year our % of players at each level would be comparable to Saskatoon

MOTION: To have 3 zones in Novice (E, N, SW) and accept the revised team formation matrix as presented. Moved Trevor, Seconded Todd. CARRIED

6. Atom zones (Appendix C)

- Christie presented a North/South zone change for Atom B + C.
- This change more aligns Atom with Novice.
- Dewdney and Winnipeg will become boundaries

MOTION: To adjust Atom B+C zones to North and South as presented. Moved Christie, Seconded Joanne CARRIED

7. In camera session

8. Next Meeting

August 30 7:00PM @ HRI

A

Associate Review Committee

Criteria to use in picking teams (adopted in 2013/14)

Novice

- Limit Associates to Lumsden and Prairie Storm, with no games in Bethune or Balgonie
 - o Novice only plays exhibition games
 - o No need for our Novice teams to travel
 - o No need for Associates outside of the 2 bedroom organizations to be in Novice
 - Associates can set-up games/tournaments with Regina teams without paying the Associate fee.

Atom

- (New for 2016) Limit admittance to Associates with a tiering process similar to Regina.
 IE, AA, A, etc. (Lumsden, Moose Jaw and Prairie Storm)
 - o Continue to limit the radius to 80KM.
 - o The only exception is Grand Coulee/Pense.

Pee Wee

- Limit admittance to Associates with a tiering process similar to Regina. IE, AA, A, etc. (Lumsden, Moose Jaw and Prairie Storm)
 - o This will level the playing field at AA + A
 - o Continue to limit the radius to 80KM.
 - The only exception is Grand Coulee/Pense

Bantam + Midget

- No changes to the current Associates.
 - Currently our Bantam and Midget AA teams are traveling greater distance. EG.
 Bantam travels province wide, Midget travels Southern Sask.
 - Most "star" rural players would be playing AAA or AA
 - The A teams will be traveling less than the AA teams.
- No additional Associates to play in HRI.
 - Any Associates that are wishing to join will currently be playing in a league now.
 So they will have a place to play

Prairie Storm

- Novice (92 players, 6-7 teams): A 2 teams, B 2/3 teams, C 2 teams
- Atom (94 players, 8 goalies, 7 teams): A 2 teams, B 3 teams, C 2 teams
- Pee Wee (87 players, 6 goalies, 6 teams): AA 1 team, A 2 teams, B 2 teams,
 C 1 team
- Bantam: A − 1 team, B − 2 teams
- Midget: A − 1 team, B − 1 team
- Bantam/Midget Rec: No team, players will be given release to play in Regina
- Aug 15 females need release to play in Regina
- Recommend for acceptance with following conditions:
 - No imports
 - Pee Wee AA must have 15 skaters
 - o Roster size is same for all tiers in a division
 - If enough goalies in a division, the higher tier team must carry 2

Lumsden

- Novice(60 players, 5 teams): A − 2 teams, B − 2 teams, C − 1 team
- Atom (40 players, 3 teams): A 1 team, B 1 teams, C 1 team
- Pee Wee (49 skaters, 2/3 goalies, 3 teams,): AA, B, C; allow imports for AA
- Bantam(2 teams, 3 goalies): 1 team at A + B
- Midget (1/2 teams): 1 team at A + B. If only one team place at B
- Recommend for acceptance with following conditions:
 - Pee Wee AA must have 15 skaters
 - If enough goalies in a division, the higher tier team must carry 2

Grand Coulee/Pense

- Atom: B − 1 team; will be lower of league
- PW: B 1 team; might be middle of league, this group was bottom in Atom 2 years ago
- 1 overage player in Pee Wee
- Not enough players for Bantam team. They will play Rec in Regina
- Recommend for acceptance

Quad Town

- Bantam: A 1 team 14+ 1(?). Maybe a B team with all games in Regina.
- Midget: A 1 team, 14+2
- · Recommend for acceptance. Must be Bantam A

Southey

- Novice: 1 team
- Atom: B 1 team
- Pee Wee: A 1 team
- Bantam: A 1 team
- Recommend to accept Bantam
- Decline Novice, Atom, Pee Wee

Indian Head

- Bantam: A 1 team, 15 + 1
- Midget: A 1 team, 15 + 1
- Recommend for acceptance

Weyburn

- Bantam: A − 1 team, enquiring about bringing 1-2 B team,
 - o Bantam B teams would play all games in Regina
- Recommend to accept Bantam A.
- Decline Bantam B teams

Notre Dame

- Midget A the goal is two teams (maybe only 1 team depending on numbers)
- Recommend for acceptance

Moose Jaw

- Atom: A 1 team
- Pee Wee: A 1 team
- Bantam: A 1 team
- Midget: A 1 team
- Recommend for acceptance

<u>Cupar</u>

- Midget: A 1 team
- Recommend to accept





ТО	HRI Board of Directors	
DATE	June 9, 2016	
PREPARED BY	Trevor Mitchell – Novice Director	
EXECUTIVE SPONSOR	N/A	
TITLE / TOPIC	Rezone Novice Division	
PURPOSE	Discussion	Approval 🛛
IMPACT	Policy 🛛	Membership 🔀
	Bylaws	
TIMELINES	To have approved prior to HRI Summer Break	

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Key Items:

In the 2015 / 2016 season in the Novice Division it was apparent that there was a definitive skill level variance between the 4 zones. East being the strongest with the North West close behind, followed by the south and then the North. Upon consultation with HRI executive and coaches from ALL zones, the decision has been made that we need to discuss this disparity for the 2016 - 2017 season.

The attached zone maps show the volume of players in both the 2015 - 2016 season as well as a proposed 3 zone model for the 2016 - 2017 season. The proposed map shows that with the movement of only a few borders we can create zones that are equitable in respect to the number of players and may help bolster team competiveness in all tiers at the same time.

Also attached are the school catchment maps for both the public and catholic school systems. Upon review of the new proposed zones there is a minimal impact to players not playing in their school catchment (Possibly 1 child from Thompson may end up playing in the East). In the current 4 zone system we have a much greater impact as we may potentially be impacting students many schools, even though current HRI registrations are very low. (Glen Elm, Albert, Thompson).

In review of the standard matrix team allocations for all zones, in conjunction with discussions with coaches re: returning players for year 2 of Novice, I feel if we simply allocate as per the matrix we may potentially not address the skill disparity issue. The concern we need to address is at this young age if a player or family have repeated "challenging" seasons they may decide to opt out of hockey completely. This would not serve us well. I propose capping the tier 1 division at 3 teams per zone. This will impact the North zone as they will see 1 tier 1 team get bumped down to tier 2 and a tier 2 team get bumped down to tier 3. As well the SW will also see 1 tier 1 team get bumped down to tier 2 and a tier 2 team move down to tier 3. As the East was the strongest zone with no apparent signs of change they will remain unchanged. I feel this will open more positions in the zones that currently do not have the strength of players that give them an opportunity to compete a higher level, yet strikes a balance whereas the stronger players do still have a relatively good number of teams to play against.

Arguably the younger divisions need to be viewed as the foundation of any hockey association. As such we need to focus on serving these young players (And families) in the best way possible, because as we are well aware without them in the sport now, we do not have to worry about the older age groups in the upcoming years. I feel that for the upcoming season a minor deviation from the matrix for a 1 year trial would be a solid investment in our young players hockey careers.

"Age has nothing to do with it. Heck, I played until I was 52 so I could play with my sons, Mark and Marty. In fact, at 52, I was the leading scorer on the team until Christmas before they benched me.

Gordie Howe

Action:

I would like to propose that the board review the following 3 options for the Novice Division 2016- 2017 season

- 1. Status Quo, leave everything as it was in the 2015 2016 season
- 2. Switch to the proposed 3 zone format with a modified team assignment. East 3-5-3, SW 3-5-5, N 3-5-4 (Based on 2015/16 registration volumes) for the 2016 -2017 season **only**, and review again for the 2017-2018 seasons.
- 3. Switch to the proposed 3 zone format and follow the standard matrix team allocations. East 3-5-3, SW 4-5-, N 4-5-3.

Recommendation:

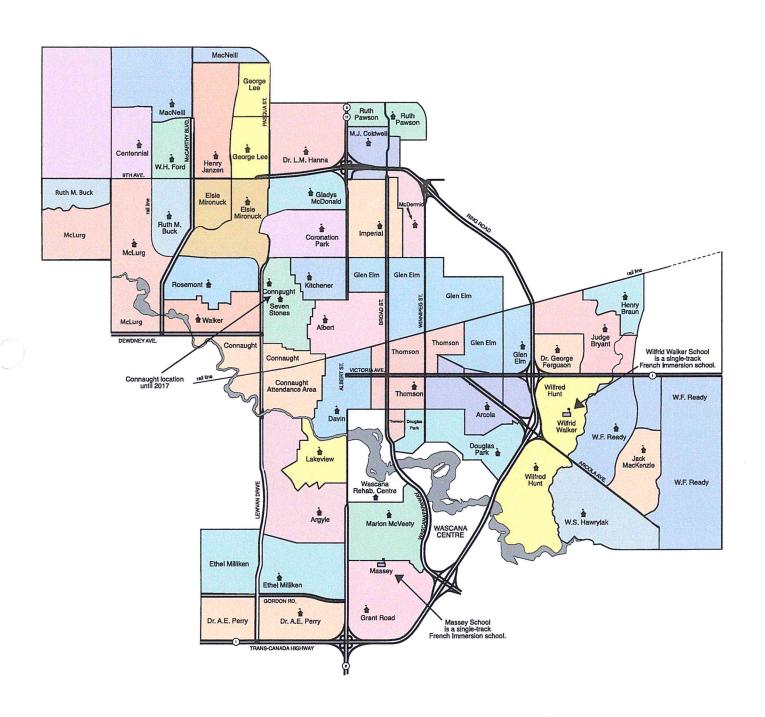
Option #2

- Switch to the proposed 3 zone format with a modified team assignment. East 3-5-3, SW 3-5-5, N 3-5-4 (Based on 2015/16 registration volumes) for the 2016 -2017 season **only**, and review again for the 2017-2018 season.

Executive Decision:	Action Required:
	Implement decision for 2016 – 2017 season



Elementary School Attendance Areas (Effective April 15, 2016 for the 2016-17 School Year)



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Team formation Marix's

<u>Novice</u>

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12 (current)	4	5	3			
12 (proposed)	3	5	4			
13 (Option 1)	3	5	5			
13 (Option 2)	4	5	4			

2015/16

NW	3	4	3
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2016/2017 Atom B & C Zone change proposal

Currently Atom A is city wide draft and that will stay the same.

I would like to request that for Atom B and C that instead of the zones being East and West (Albert Street) we change it to North and South (Winnipeg Street).

The reasoning behind this:

- Would be more in alignment with the schools and also the new Novice proposal
- Currently kids in Uplands play all of Novice with the North zone and then for Atom they move
 East and are not familiar with any other teammates and families. This makes it hard for car
 pooling etc. The same for Harbour Landing.
- For the last 2 seasons the West has had 6 teams and 4 East teams in Atom B so moving the zones would make them more even.

This was how the zones were prior to us going to city wide for Atom. So, these are zones that have been done in the past, they were just changed when we went to city wide.

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