Hockey Regina Inc Board of Directors Meeting Minutes Tuesday May 31, 2016

Attendance:

Larry Wees (Chair)
Kevin Baron
Christie Bjolverud
Geoff Thachuk

Todd Taylor Joanne Merk Brad Hunt Trevor Mitchell Andrea Hoffman Rick Hagglund Mark Burton

Blair Watson (Staff)

Regrets:

Ian Jones

1. Call to order

Larry called the meeting to order at 6:59PM.

2. Minutes

MOTION: To approve previous minutes. Moved Joanne, Seconded Trevor. CARRIED

3. Midget 2016/17

- Brad discussed the Midget AA 15 team.
- He had discussions with various people/coaches about the team
- With the players committed to at the AAA level, there is some concern on the competitiveness of the team
- Brad feels that it not a good fit for the upcoming season

MOTION: To not have a Midget AA 15 team for the 2016/17 season. Moved Brad, Seconded Rick CARRIED

4. AA/Tier 1 coach selection

- The coach selection committee met and went over the applications for the AA/Tier 1 teams for both Male and Female.
- The committee included the division directors, coach mentors (Corey and Dave) and Director of player development

MOTION: To appoint Pat Belitski, Dave Diewold and Shane Taylor as Midget AA coaches. Moved Brad, Seconded Joanne CARRIED

MOTION: To appoint Troy Edwards, Cole Kehrig and Todd Liskowich as Bantam AA coaches. Moved Rick, Seconded Todd CARRIED

MOTION: To appoint Darby Birnie, Chet Culic, Graham Melborne, Dave Ripplinger and Mike Weisgarber as Pee Wee AA Coaches. Moved Todd, Seconded Trevor CARRIED

MOTION: To appoint Graham Borne, Spencer Pearce and Trent Senft as Atom A coaches. To short-list Shawn Fenwick, Chris Griffin, Aaron Karpan, Nick Keith, Matt Rieger, Randy Steeves, Bruce Thompson and Craig Ulmer as Atom A coaches. Moved Christie, Seconded Trevor CARRIED

MOTION: To appoint the following: Jason Wickstrom as Midget Female AA coach, Corey Terry as Bantam Female AA coach and Jon Golden as Pee Wee Female AA coach. Moved Andrea, Seconded Brad. CARRIED

5. Team Selection (Appendix A)

- Blair went over the team selection overview
- The changes from previous years include:
 - o Atom B, Pee Wee A + B will be able to select any eligible player. No longer drafting in flights
 - o Bantam AA teams able to protect any player from the previous year's team
 - Midget AA teams able to any player from the previous year's team.
 Previously limited to 6 skaters
- Discussion on the Bantam AA and Midget AA protected players. Look at revisiting the protection changes proposed.
- Brad and Rick to discuss with the AA coaches to get their feedback.
- Discussion on the number of guaranteed players in Female Atom and Pee Wee and why different than the male teams.
- Table a decision until the next meeting

6. Practice, etc (Appendix B)

- Blair went over the proposed practices for the upcoming season.
- Changes include the following:
 - o Atom A, B, AF, Pee Wee A, B, C, PF will have 10 shared practices.
 - o Atom C will have all shared practices
 - Pee Wee might have to be reduced depending on ice. Blair noted that we have received more ice in September and Easter is later so we should be able to accommodate.

MOTION: To accept the practices, as presented. Moved Joanne, Seconded Todd. CARRIED

7. Other

- Blair indicated that we have been approved for the Bauer First Program for next season
- Western Cities meeting is June 3. All Board members are welcome to attend

8. Next Meeting

June 14 7:00PM @ HRI

Team Selection Overview

Initiation

HRI forms teams based on address/school/requests.

Novice

- HRI forms teams based on evaluation scores
- Coaches able to make trades

Atom

A-A: (8 teams - 14 skaters/team)

- Top 136 skaters, 24 goalies and injured/absent eligible to be selected
- Coach can select any eligible player at any time
- Coaches player selected in round ranked
- Top 88 skaters must be selected (8 teams @ 11 players)

A-B: (5 teams/zone - 14 skaters/team)

- Top 85 skaters, 15 goalies and injured/absent eligible to be selected
- New for 2016: Coach can select any eligible player at any time
- Coaches player selected in round ranked
- Top 55 skaters must be selected (5 teams @ 11 players)

A-C

- Players are grouped into flights
- Two flights are on the table at the start of every round.
- Coaches player selected in round ranked
- Injured/absent players are selected at the end

Pee Wee

PW-AA: (5 teams - 15 skaters/team)

- Top 100 skaters, 15 goalies and injured/absent eligible to be selected
- Coach can select any eligible player at any time
- In 2015 a pre-evaluation meeting was held whereby the coaches slotted where their player would be drafted. **Continue for 2016???**
- Top 60 skaters must be selected (5 teams @ 12 players)

PW-A/B: (6 teams - 15 skaters/team)

- Top 108 skaters, 18 goalies and injured/absent eligible to be selected
- New for 2016: Coach can select any eligible player at any time
- Coaches player selected in round ranked
- Top 72 skaters must be selected (6 teams @ 12 players)

PW-C

- Players are grouped into flights
- Two flights are on the table at the start of every round.
- Coaches player selected in round ranked
- Injured/absent players are selected at the end

Bantam

B-AA (3 teams - 15 skaters/team)

- Top 69 skaters, 10 goalies and injured/absent eligible to be selected
- **New for 2016:** Coach is eligible to protect any skater/goalie that played on that BAA team the year prior. The protected players are the coaches first picks.
- Coach can select any eligible player at any time
- Top 23 skaters must be selected

B-A (6 teams - 15 skaters/team)

- Top 108 skaters, 18 goalies and injured/absent eligible to be selected
- Coach can select any eligible player at any time
- Coaches player selected in round ranked
- Top 48 skaters must be selected

B-B

- Players are grouped into flights
- Two flights are on the table at the start of every round.
- Coaches player selected in round ranked
- Injured/absent players are selected at the end

Midget

M-AA (3 teams - 17 skaters/team)

- Top 81 skaters, 10 goalies and injured/absent eligible to be selected
- **New for 2016:** Coach is eligible to protect any skater/goalie that played on that BAA team the year prior. The protected players are the coaches first picks. Previous years only 6 skaters were able to be protected.
- Coach can select any eligible player at any time
- Top 24 skaters must be selected

M-A (4 teams - 17 skaters/team)

- Top 100 skaters, 12 goalies and injured/absent eligible to be selected
- Coach can select any eligible player at any time
- Coaches player selected in round ranked
- · Top 35 skaters must be selected

M-B

- Players are grouped into flights
- Two flights are on the table at the start of every round.
- Coaches player selected in round ranked
- Injured/absent players are selected at the end

Female

Novice

- HRI forms teams based on evaluation scores
- Coaches able to make trades

<u>Atom</u>

B (1 team – 14 skaters)

- Top 17 skaters, 4 goalies and injured/absent eligible to be selected
- Top 8 skaters must be selected

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- Players are grouped into flights
- Two flights are on the table at the start of every round.
- Coaches player selected in round ranked
- Injured/absent players are selected at the end

Pee Wee

AA (1 team - 15 skaters)

- Top 20 skaters, 4 goalies and injured/absent eligible to be selected
- Top 8 skaters must be selected

A (1 team - 15 skaters)

- Top 20 skaters, 4 goalies and injured/absent eligible to be selected
- Top 8 skaters must be selected

В

- Players are grouped into flights
- Two flights are on the table at the start of every round.
- Coaches player selected in round ranked
- Injured/absent players are selected at the end

Bantam and Midget

AA (1 team - 15 skaters)

- Top 23 skaters, 4 goalies and injured/absent eligible to be selected
- Top 8 skaters must be selected

A

- Players are grouped into flights
- Two flights are on the table at the start of every round.
- Coaches player selected in round ranked
- Injured/absent players are selected at the end

To: Larry Wees, President HRI and HRI Board of Directors

From: Brad Hunt, Vice President, Midget/AAA Director

Board Agenda Item: Team Selection

Point of discussion: The HRI Board of Directors has approved an amendment to the Bantam AA team selection criteria allowing the head coach to protect any skater/goalie that played on that BAA team the year prior. The protected players are the coach's first picks.

Request: The HRI Board of Directors review and/or amend the 2016-17 Bantam AA team selection criteria to:

Option 1: Restrict player/goalie protection to 4 players

or

Option 2: Rescind the player protection provision

Background/Rational:

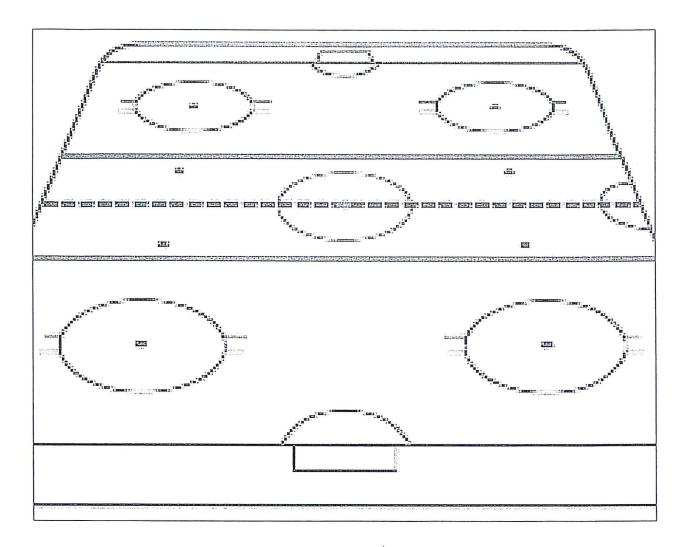
- Parity for Regina teams is an objective for HRI. We should strive to have a system in place where each coach has an equitable opportunity to build a team from the players available.
- Subsequent to the decision, I talked to 10 coaches (6 Bantam, 2 Midget, and 2 Peewee) asking their thoughts about the change. The questions were: Agree?, Disagree?, change?. Responses:
 - 4 said they agree but limit the number picks so there is a potential equitable distribution of second year players.
 - o 2 said they disagreed.
 - 4 said they were indifferent.
- Historically, since 2010/11 only 4 first year Bantam AA coaches have been selected.
 The concept of allowing a coach to build a team for subsequent years is more likely attainable (and has happened) in Midget where there is 3 years.
- Generally a team's core (assuming 4 2nd year skaters) players contribute a significant portion of a team's points. In 2015-16, the top 4 players on these Bantam AA teams contributed: 61% (Aces), 46% (Pat Blues), 52% (Monarchs), and 44% (Prairie Storm). A limited number of protected players will allow a head coach to keep key players; minimizes the impact of losing other 2nd year players (as other coaches will potentially lose players); allows a coach to compete for strong first year Bantam AA prospective players.
- Other comparable Hockey Associations (Saskatoon) do not have player protection provisions.

Recommendation: Per Board Discussion

	Games		Practices			
	#	Length	Shared	Split	Solo	
IP	30	1.00				
Novice	18	1.00	25	-	-	
A-A	24	1.25	10	-	25	
A-B	24	1.25	10	-	25	
A-C	22	1.25	25	-	-	
AF-A	24	1.25	10	-	25	
AF-B	24	1.25	10	-	25	
P-AA	28	2.00	-	-	45	**
P-A	26	2.00	10	-	35	**
P-B	26	2.00	10		35	**
P-C	24	1.50	10	-	19	
PF-AA	26	2.00	10		35	**
PF-A	24	1.50	10	-	25	**
B-AA	26	2.75	-	-	50	
B-A	28	2.00	-	-	40	
B-B	24	2.00	-	-	24	
B-FAA	28	2.00			40	
B-FA	24	2.00	-	-	24	
B/M Rec	24	1.50	-	-	5	
M-AA	36	2.75	-	-	36	
M-A	28	2.25	-	-	32	
M-B	24	2.25	-	-	15	
M-FAA	24	2.00	-	-	40	
M-FA	26	2.00	-	-	24	

^{**} Pee Wee AA, A, B might decrease by 5 depending on ice. Female include the skill testing sessions.

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Shared Ice Practises

Prepared for: Hockey Regina Board

Prepared by: Committee Members Larry Wees, Blair Watson, Corey Terry, Dave Diewold

March 7, 2016

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Recommendation

To increase the number of practises to Hockey Regina teams with a finite schedule of ice allotment

Goals

Increase number of practises by 15-20%

No increase in cost of ice for Hockey Regina members

Share resources of Coaching

Increase focus on Skill Development by utilizing shared practises to work strictly on skill development

Proposal

Proposal is to Increase Shared Ice Practises for 2016-2017 season for Atom A, B, and C and Pee Wee A, B and C

Project Outline

	2015-2016 Practises	Proposed				
	Total	Full Ice	Shared	Total		
Atom A	30	25	10	35	17%	
Atom B	30	25	10	35	17%	
*Atom C	25	Pending review of coaches feedback				
Pee Wee A	35	30	10	40	15%	
Pee Wee B	35	30	10	40	15%	
Pee Wee C	24	19	10	29	20%	

^{*}Atom C practises presently have a 1 1/2 hour time slot with Team A and Team B, where Team A has 30 minutes of full ice and then shares 30 minutes with Team B for 30 minutes and then Team B has 30 minutes of full ice.

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Challenges

Communication and Perception

Perception of members of importance of full ice time practises vs shared

Perception of coaches of importance of full ice time practises vs shared

Ensuring coaches receive communication around appropriate utilization of shared ice practises

Delivery of Communication

Email the Hockey Regina membership

Post the information on the Hockey Regina website

Coaching Mentors discuss the project with the coaches at the Coaches Meeting at the start of the year