



Innisfail Minor Hockey Association
 Special Executive Board Meeting
 Date: February.4.2021 7:00 pm
 Place: Zoom Meeting

Participants

Invited	Attend	Regrets	Invited	Attend	Regrets
Bruce Rafuse	X		Tosha Giesbrecht	X	
Alan Smith	X		Angie Miller		X
Lorne Harrison	X		Brett Kelly	X	
Adam Rutherford	X		Brenda Nixon	X	
Murray Reay	X		Teresa Dodd	X	
Candace Schmidt	X		Len Istace	X	
Lisa Duke	X				
Darren Black	X		Stephen Bates	X	

Agenda

Item #	Topics to be discussed		
1.	Call to order		
2.	Additions and Approval of Agenda		
3.	Old Business a) Fundraiser – Update		
4.	New Business a) CAHL / Hockey Alberta Updates b) IMHA Season c) Rebate d) Team Fees e) Equipment/Jersey Return f) Coach Certification Fees g) Referee Certification Fees		
5.	Next Steps • Emails to membership • Town		
6.	Next Meeting Date		
7.	Adjournment		

Minutes

Item #	
1.	Bruce Rafuse called meeting to order at 7:01 pm
2.	Additions and approval of agenda Murray Reay made motion to accept the agenda as presented. Lisa Duke seconded. Motion Carried
3.	Old Business a) Fun-raiser – Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1700 of 2000 Tickets distributed to members • Members can contact Darren Black for extra booklets if needed or to turn in money early • The timing of the pick-up dates allowed for Bruce Rafuse & Darren Black to get feedback from members & answer questions about the Hockey Alberta announcement • Another common question was “Why is the fund-raising proceeding when the season is ending?”. Of course the fund-raising takes a lot of planning and was initiated long before the season was cancelled. IMHA has a fund raiser every year to help with operational costs, certification fees, office rent, etc. This year it was particularly important as we were unable to have a golf tournament. Members were accepting of this reasoning

4.

New Business

- a) CAHL /Hockey Alberta Updates
- CAHL/Hockey Alberta announced that the league season is over
 - Hockey Alberta had a town-hall today attended by Candace Schmidt, Bruce Rafuse & Brett Kelly
 - Hockey Alberta advised that Local Minor Hockey Associations had a decision to make to proceed in one of three ways:
 1. Cancel all programs until 2021/22 season
 2. Stop season & stay active with **internal** activities as permitted & change with restriction revisions
 3. Still operate within Government of Alberta guidelines
 - Dates & restriction changes are fluid & the next announcement date is February 8th, 2021
- b) IMHA Season
- Town still has ice in but Red Ice is coming out on Monday regardless. Blue Ice will be dependent on our decision & what they feel they can do with the ice
 - Discussion on the options from 4 (a)
 - No guarantees that restrictions easing will allow for any on-ice activities
 - May require more coaches to facilitate sessions
 - Many players have moved on to other things or jobs
 - Some neighbouring communities keeping ice in for individuals to rent at this time (Didsbury, Olds, Penhold, etc.)
 - Murray Reay makes motion to cancel any further programs & season for IMHA. Brenda Nixon seconds. **Motion Carried**
 - IMHA Board is saddened to have to make this decision as we are here to promote athlete development (off-ice & on-ice) but feel it is the only viable option in today's environment
- c) Rebate
- Discussion on presented spreadsheet with proposed 60% combined refund/rebate. 35% is available as cash & 25% will be a rebate (credit) for next season. Members will also be able to choose to leave full 60% in as rebate/credit for next season
 - From discussions with other associations this is at high end of proposed refunds & aligns with what Hockey Alberta is suggesting
 - The basis for decision on 60% was an anticipated approximate 20 weeks of minor hockey season and being on ice for approximately 8 weeks; equating to 40% of a season
 - There are fixed & costs that are applied regardless of length of season (rent, administration fees, insurance, etc.)
 - Try-out/conditioning fees are not part of the refund/rebate as those paid directly for the costs associated with those ice times
 - Late fees are not part of the refund/rebate as those were at the risk of those that paid late
 - Combined refund/rebate is applied to the Actual Hockey Registration fees – Hockey Canada/Alberta/IMHA administration fees
 - Teams registration fees for Hockey Alberta were non-refundable
 - 3rd year U18 players/players returning to other associations will receive 60% as full refund
 - Stephen Bates makes motion to apply combined 60% refund/rebate as presented on actual registration fees less Hockey Alberta/Hockey Canada/IMHA administration fee. Brett Kelly seconded. **Motion Carried**
 - Rebate/credit refunds may occur next season if family moves to different town or player tries out at another association & makes that team
- d) Team Fees
- Directors to email Managers about fees after practices are invoiced
- e) Equipment/Jersey Return
- Jerseys/Equipment will need to be returned. Some are in lockers at arena. Adam Rutherford will coordinate & manage the return process

	<p>f) Coach Certification Fees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any Coaches who obtained their certification and submit a receipt will be reimbursed <p>g) Referee Certification Fees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Typically, officials are reimbursed fees after officiating 5 games. Only 1 official had this opportunity this season; however, many stepped up this season to help accommodate the few weeks we were on ice. Do not want to dissuade officials from next season, so IMHA feels we will waive 5 game requirement for 2020/21 season Len Istace makes motion to reimburse officials certification fees. Candace Schmidt seconds. <u>Motion Carried</u>
5.	<p>Next Steps</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Emails to membership as in the 'To-do' lists Speak to Town of Innisfail Discuss with Newspaper (also discuss Larry Reid fund)
6.	Next meeting: Tuesday February 16 th , 2021 7:00pm – Via Zoom
7.	Adjournment: Alan Smith moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:38 pm. Adam Rutherford seconded. <u>Motion Carried</u>
	Minutes: Alan Smith

Item #	Action	Who
3 (a)	Notify members of ability to pick up extra tickets/turn in money	Darren Black
4 (b)	Notify members of decision on season	Bruce Rafuse
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4 (c)	Notify members of decision regarding combined refund/rebate	Bruce Rafuse
4 (d)	Communicate with Managers regarding team fees/funds	Age Directors
4 (e)	Coordinate jersey/equipment return	Adam Rutherford
4 (g)	Notify Officials & prepare reimbursements	Darren Black
5	Contact Newspaper	Bruce Rafuse