

## Innisfail Minor Hockey Association

Executive Board Meeting
Date: July.28.2021 7:00 pm
Place: Innisfail Legion (Covid Compliant)

Participants Participants							
Invited	Attend	Regrets	Invited	Attend	Regrets		
Candace Schmidt	Х		Stephanie Restau	X	_		
Tyler Hirsche		X	Angie Miller	X			
Lorne Harrison	X		Brett Kelly		X		
Adam Rutherford		X	Renee Baumung	X			
Madison Denson	X		Teresa Dodd	X			
Alan Smith	X		Len Istace		Х		
Lisa Duke	X		Trevor Stoddard	X			
Darren Black	X		Bruce Rafuse		X		

Agenda				
Item #	Topics to be discussed			
1.	Call to order			
2.	Additions and Approval of Agenda			
3.	Reading and adoption of Minutes: June 13th, 2021			
4.	Old Business  a) Sponsorship Letter b) Draft Bottle Drive Letter c) Evaluation procedure			
5.	New Business  a) Registration Numbers b) Board Recruitment – Player & Coach Development c) Blackfalds Bulldogs – Fundraiser Opportunity d) The Dome Update e) Coach Development f) Concession g) Goalie Development – Mike Brodeur h) Import/Export/Boundaries			
6.	Correspondence NONE			
7.	Directors' Reports			
8.	Next Meeting Date			
9.	Adjournment			

Minutes			
Item #			
1.	Candace Schmidt called meeting to order at 7:04 pm		
2.	Additions and approval of agenda  Teresa Dodd made motion to accept the agenda as presented with addition of 5(h). Lisa Duke seconded.  Motion Carried		
3.	Reading and adoption of Minutes: June 13 <sup>th</sup> , 2021  Madison Denson made motion to approve June 13 <sup>th</sup> , 2021 minutes as presented. Angle Miller seconded.  Motion Carried		

#### 4. Old Business

- a) Sponsorship Letter
  - Darren Black has copy from Adam Rutherford & will share with Directors. He will also share list of current sponsors so we do not approach them for additional funds
- b) Draft Bottle Drive Letter (DATE TBD)
  - Stephanie Restau has done letter. Candace Schmidt will update to show tangible items that money will be used for (Power-skating & Goalie Sessions)
  - Ideal to have trailer at arena during conditions &/or evaluation skates
  - Check with new owners of Innisfail Bottle Depot to see if they can accommodate in same fashion as Cosmos
- c) Evaluation procedure
  - Tyler Hirsche will continue to research
  - Discussion on refining existing process
  - Will need to be completed soon as season is around the corner
  - Hiring outside evaluators is an expensive option & not viable this season

### 5. **New Business**

- a) Registration Numbers
  - As of July 28, 2021:
  - 127 Registered:
    - 5 Eaglets
    - 7@U7
    - 19 @ U9
    - 17 @ U11
    - 29 @ U13
    - 26 @ U15
    - 24 @ U18
    - These numbers include athletes trying out in Red Deer, Olds & Sylvan Lake
  - Numbers are behind last year's registration at this time
  - Discussion on female teams, we waited too long last season. Ideally, we can talk to Red Deer
     Olds for long term and perhaps restart our female program
  - Female U11 & up are tiered
  - Will work on possibility of female U9 team
  - Teresa Dodd makes motion to declare no female teams from U11 and up. Stephanie Restau seconded. <u>Motion Carried</u>
  - Brief discussion on no pictures this season given budgetary limitations. Tabled
- b) Board Recruitment Player & Coach Development
  - Position still vacant, continue to recruit
  - Other board members may have to take on a part of it if we cannot fill it (Tyler Hirsche, Trevor Stoddard, Candace Schmidt & Lorne Harrison)
- c) Blackfalds Bulldogs Fundraiser opportunity
  - Board has committed to this excellent fundraiser
  - IMHA pays ice, AJHL pay referees & IMHA organizes all events/activities
  - Require a committee (Teresa Dodd, Brett Kelly, Darren Black & Candace Schmidt)
  - Will require:
    - Pro- serve if liquor
    - Event insurance
    - 50/50 Licence
    - 50/50 Tickets
    - Cash float
    - Wrist bands or stamp for re-entry
    - Stands capacity
  - 2 private boxes could be used for fund raising in an auction style (similar to Gretzky-Hlinka tournament)

- d) The Dome Update
  - Darren Black & Candace Schmidt Met with Noah Welch at Dome for hockey development
  - Discussion on if The Dome can align with our association to help our Athletes & Coaches
  - They can do team discount for teams that want to use (at their teams' cost)
  - They can support all skill levels
  - Can they come to Coach & Manager meetings to setup & present?
- e) Coach Development
  - Should we invest time/resources in coach plans for every level?
  - Discussion
  - Would require consistency
  - Some are available through Hockey Alberta
  - A primary reason we lose coaches or have unhappy coaches is due to the vocal minority of upset parents. We need to support coaches & provide some insulation from these parents
  - Hockey Alberta has some resources around this when we have our vacant position filled
- f) Concession
  - No concession applicants
  - IMHA will not re-sign lease/contact until we have a manager in place
  - Will review to see if we can have a 6-month agreement in place with the Town
  - In the off-season we would lease concession to ball tournaments & lacrosse tournaments; we need to see if this was a profitable endeavour for IMHA
- g) Goalie Development Mike Brodeur
  - Mike Brodeur submitted a proposal with various options (weekend goalie camps, in-season camps, goalie seminars, etc.) & also for evaluations & custom programs
  - Discussions on various program benefits
  - IMHA will remain with 'Stable in the Net' for 2021/22 season
  - Will run from mid-October 2021 to end of January 2022
- h) Import/Export/Boundaries
  - Discussion on Imports, Exports & Boundaries
  - IMHA will continue to follow Hockey Alberta Protocol. If a player wants to move to IMHA and
    has a release from their home association, we will accept them if we have room for them to
    play. If they do not have a release from their home association, we can advise if we have a
    place to play but will not sign transfer & advise them they need to get signature from home
    association or Hockey Alberta.
  - IMHA supports the boundaries provided by Hockey Alberta and will ensure our players live within them unless properly transferred via Hockey Alberta
  - IMHA supports finding a way to let athletes play the game

# 6. Correspondence NONE

#### 7. **Directors' Reports**

- a) Hockey Development ( **VACANT**)
  - Via Lorne Harrison: 10 applications so far in the coach pool & have started spreadsheet.
- b) U7 (Brett Kelly)
  - ABSENT
- c) U9 (Angie Miller)
  - Will check with West Country for a year extension on IMHA Leave of Absence
- d) U11 (Lisa Duke)
  - No report
- e) U13 (Renee Baumung)
  - No report
- f) U15 (Madison Denson)
  - No report

	g)	U18 ( Trevor Stoddard )		
		No report		
	h)	Female ( Stephanie Restau )		
		No report		
	i)	Vice President ( Tyler Hirsche )		
		• ABSENT		
	j)	Registrar ( Teresa Dodd )		
		No report		
	k)	Treasurer ( Lorne Harrison )		
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	I)	Referee in Chief ( Len Istace )		
		• ABSENT		
	m)	Executive Director ( Darren Black )		
		Away next week		
		<ul> <li>Told Town of Innisfail that we want the same ice we had last season &amp; will adjust accordingly</li> </ul>		
	n)	Equipment Director ( Adam Rutherford )		
	,	ABSENT		
	o)	President ( Candace Schmidt )		
		No report		
8.	Next m	neeting: Wednesday August 18th, 2021 @ 7:00pm – Innisfail Legion		
9.	Adjournment:			
	Teresa Dodd moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:12 pm. Trevor Stoddard seconded. Motion Carried			
	Minutes: Alan Smith			

Item #	Action	Who
4 (a)	Provide Sponsorship letter to Directors	Darren Black
4 (a)	Circulate Sponsorship letter to potential sponsors	Directors
4 (b)	Provide Bottle Drive letter to Directors	Candace Schmidt
5 (a)	Notify membership, CAHL, RMFHL, RDMHA & OMHA of no female teams	Darren Black
5 (b)	Continue to recruit for vacant board position	Directors
5 (c)	Secure resources & organize AJHL event	AJHL Game Committee
5 (d)	Check with the Dome to see if they will present at meetings	Candace Schmidt
5 (f)	Talk to Town on Concession options	Candace Schmidt
5 (f)	Request Town post concession opportunity on their socials	Candace Schmidt
5 (f)	Provide IMHA board with summary of profitability on concession sublet	Darren Black
5 (g)	Advise Stable in the Net that IMHA they will be used for 2021/22 season	Darren Black