

Kipling Minor Hockey
AGM Minutes
September 7, 2023

President Craig Pister called the meeting to order at 7:32p.m.

The following board members were present – Craig Pister, Logan Dew, Jena Levai & Holly Heikkila

The following parents attended the meeting: T.Draper, A. Draper, A. Caouette, T. Vargo, R.Larsen, G. Hewson, M. Stender, B. Sproat, B. Berglund, K. Daku, A. Vargo, L. Demyen, A. Dew, M. Hazell, T. Duke, J. Wyporwich, L. Holbyak, R. Holbyak, T. Carter, E. Arthur, K. Roppel, B. Bonville, K. Hjelmeland, R. Nagy, M. Rienks, R. Swallow, L. Sluser, C. Trail, B. Dash, C. Meszaros, M. Warner, C. Brown, T. VanHeerden, C. VanHeerden, Q. Ozirney

1-2023-B.Sproat/M.Stender: That the Agenda be adopted as circulated. CARRIED.

2-2023-K.Daku/G.Hewson: That the 2022 AGM Minutes be adopted as circulated. CARRIED.

Business Arising from the Minutes:

- Entrance to rink isn't complete, should be completed by next week
- Craig is hoping to have Casey Obrian come again to offer skills & drills at practices

3-2023-M.Hazell/T.Vargo: That the Financial Report be accepted as presented & circulated. CARRIED.

New Business:

1. Season Update

- RAMP registration worked nicely & allowed the board to see player numbers earlier to help plan for the season.
- There are teams in every age group, other then U15. The team numbers are as follows:
 - o U7 – 23 registered
 - o U9- 16 registered
 - o U11- 18 registered
 - o U13 – 19 registered
 - o U15 – 5 registered
 - o U18 – 21 registered
- U15 kids were released early to allow for kids to find a team to play on.
- Startup Date – early October, Oct. 15 at the latest
- Practice dates have not been set yet as we are trying to coordinate times to offer Power Skating with Courtney Mish again. We hope to have similar practice days & times as last year. Once this is finalized, we will update families through email.

2. Rink Kitchen – Rent is going up from \$1000 to \$1200 for the 2023/2024 season

- Each team has to work their own games & tournaments.
- Leanne has offered to run & organize the kitchen again for this season
- Kitchen has to be open for Curling Bonspiels & Oil Kings games, so Minor hockey needs to have parents step and help for those shifts so the board is suggesting that each family be responsible for 1 additional shift, outside of their regular game shifts.

4-2023-T.Vargo/B.Sproat : That Kipling Minor Hockey lease the rink kitchen again for the 2023/2024 season. CARRIED.

5-2023-T.Carter/E.Arthur: That families be responsible to cover 1 extra shift in the kitchen over the season, outside of their regular game shift, those shifts could be a cleaning shift or a working shift. The Minor Hockey Board will make up a schedule and send it out to families ahead of time. Families will be responsible for finding their own replacement if they can't work their assigned shift. CARRIED.

3. RAMP

- All teams will be required to use RAMP for the new team communication platform, instead of Teamsnap. Ramp is free for us to use. The board will help managers will set up their teams account and details will be sent out to parents.
- The website is almost ready to go live. Parents were asked to let the board know if there is anything specific they'd like to see on the site.

4. Executive

- a. A Coach or member from each team will be appointed to attend the monthly board meetings and will have voting rights for the season. Those members will be appointed once teams are made and coaches are assigned.

6-2023-G.Hewson/R.Nagy: That Holly Heikkila be appointed as the new Secretary for the Kipling Minor Hockey Board, replacing Melissa Thompson as she has moved. CARRIED.

5. Royals Clothing

- a. Loretta Demyen approached the board at the end of last year and asked the board if she can have the rights to the Royals logo for clothing. The Board voted & agreed and granted Loretta the rights.
- b. Loretta plans to attend the first few practices to allow parents to see what she has to offer and for them to place orders. All clothing orders will be placed through Loretta not through Kipling Minor Hockey.

6. Other

- a. Policy & Procedure Changes:
 - i. The board would like to update the Policy & Procedures (Constitution) regarding releases for U11 players wanting to play tiered hockey, as there is no AA in U11.

7-2023-B.Dash/T.Vargo: That the Policy & Procedure manual be updated to state that releases will be allowed in U11 hockey for players who wish to play on a tiered hockey team, ie: Moosomin Badgers, as long as there is a minimum of 10 players & 1 goalie left to play on the Kipling U11 team. If multiple kids make a tiered team in the same year the board will release all of those kids or none of those kids, individual kids will not be released in a situation like that. CARRIED.

b. Power Skating:

- i. The board is looking into offering a power skating weekend camp that would be offered free of charge, or a minimal fee, to all minor hockey kids. The board has reached out to 2 different Skills coaches, Steve Serdachny out of Edmonton & Brett Pepler out of Yorkton, and will update families as we get more information.

- ii. The Board is also planning to offer Power Skating with Courtney Mish again for the 2023/2023 season. Once dates & times are finalized information will be sent out to families.

- c. 2023/2024 Fees:
 - i. Kipling Minor Hockey kept fees the same as last year and then was later notified by the Town of Kipling that ice rent is going up to \$150/hr, from \$125, and the Town is also adding a new User Fee of \$50/player. Minor Hockey will cover these increases for this year but may have to look at increasing registration fees next year. With these two increases & the kitchen rent increase, it is projected that it will cost KMH roughly \$13,000 extra for the 2023/2024 season.

Questions & Suggestions:

- 7. It was asked if managers can have bank accounts setup for each team to help eliminate the use of managers personal accounts. The Board will look into options.
- 8. It was suggested that a Goalie Development Camp would be beneficial. The Board will look into options that they can provide.
- 9. Currently, Minor Hockey offers a \$50 rebate to any Kipling kid that takes the reffing course. It was suggested that Minor Hockey rebate the entire reffing course fee.
- 10. Minor Hockey is willing to pay for refs for the U7 age group, it doesn't have to be coaches reffing.
- 11. It was suggested to look into forming a U5 team in the future for the younger kids.

8-2023-K.Daku/R.Nagy: – That Kipling Minor Hockey reimburse the full cost of reffing fees for any Kipling kid that takes the reffing course. Receipts are to be submitted to the Minor Hockey Board and reimbursements will be made. CARRIED.

9-2023-G.Hewson: That this meeting adjourn at 8:25p.m. CARRIED.