**LACOMBE MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION**

**OPERATIONAL COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Minutes**

**Gary Moe Auto Group Sportsplex Community Room**

LACOMBE, ALBERTA

**August 13, 2024**

**Call to Order 19:02**

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
   1. Approval of LMH Operating Committee Meeting from July 3, 2024.
      1. Update the Motion for bank accounts from July 3rd to reflect LMHA accounts.
      2. motion to approve by Stacey, seconded by Priscilla, all in favor, approved.
2. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**
   1. Additions to Unfinished Business.
3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
   1. Additions to New Business
   2. Approval of Agenda motion to approve by Brandon, seconded by Stacey, all in favor, approved.
4. **EXECUTIVE REPORTS**
   1. **President –Amy Richter**
      1. Used Equipment Sale - teaming up with Ringette and it is going strong.
      2. Room 10 & Ref Room 2 - city moving girls room to larger room with showers.
      3. Bookkeeper - final details being worked out. To be announced soon
      4. Negotiating Ice - working on finalizing schedules
      5. Imports will be decided after Aug 15
      6. Curling Pan - Continental Games (Back ice in early Sept 21/22 weekend)
         1. October 20 7pm - November 5 Install Arena 1 (no ice)
         2. Arena Games are Oct 27 - Nov 2 Community room booked Oct 26 - Nov 2
         3. Arena 2 Unavailable Oct 20 after 7pm for installation and Nov 3 - 5 for ice removal
   2. **Vice-President – Dave Seretzky**
      1. Evaluation plan coming together
         1. Confirming date with Team Genius for training
         2. I will load player information into Team Genius next week
         3. Skills package being reviewed by coach mentors, a couple of drills will be tweaked
         4. Evaluation schedule going out to outside evaluators
         5. U9 and U11 directors already speaking with potential evaluators
         6. Currently, U11 has 2 evaluated skill sessions, I am wondering if we could vote on cutting it to 1 like the older groups?
            1. Tabled for later. Need to discuss with Coach mentors.
      2. Director meeting still needs to be confirmed
      3. I am looking forward to next week’s development sessions.
   3. **Administration - Alison Stangeland**
      1. Registrations are going great! Lots of new players and growth in divisions
      2. Evaluation schedule is being finalized
      3. Practice schedule is difficult, with more teams and no more ice!
      4. Development camps are next week, room available at all levels
      5. AA game schedules will be final by August 31
      6. Come try hockey, welcome back breakfast?
      7. Team Budget & Tournament policy
      8. [Team Budget](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1pOu0JY8TRH5VtnZu4NMWrkiPw4Cprd_y4nRVGF-R5Z8/edit?usp=sharing)
      9. [Tournament Budget](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1TsIENvOOLnfpMw2EZXk4rzZxaFe53vdl0IgKihgvOBY/edit?usp=sharing)
      10. Dave makes a motion to Set tournament fees for 2024/25 at U13- $1,825, U11 -$1,600, U9 - $900, U7 -$625, Jeremy seconds the motion, all in favor, passed.
      11. Priscilla makes a motion that LMHA spends up to $500 on a small freezer for the pucks that goes in the equipment room, Jordie seconds the motion, all in favor, passed.
      12. Erin makes a motion to spend up to $500 ($100/division) on coffee and groceries to supply the evaluators during evaluations, seconded by Rick, all in favor, passed.
      13. Priscilla makes a motion to spend up to $750 on supplies for the “welcome back to hockey” breakfast and game, seconded by Stacey, all in favor, approved.
      14. [Tournament budget examples](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/17wJcy3_5Kck0ZkhGG2-1K-0cWSCzeufx/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=101726196429111547218&rtpof=true&sd=true)
      15. Open skate August 14th 6:45-7:45 pm and 8-9 pm
   4. **Secretary – Dylan Little**
      1. Volunteer VSC has been approved, updated and loaded to the website.
      2. Sanctions will be put in for our tournaments this week.
   5. **Treasurer – Mike Labonte**
      1. Bank Balances as of today (does not include items not cleared yet)
      2. Operating Account $215,634.38
      3. Casino Account $ 63,375.70
      4. Savings Account $ 59,774.00
      5. Stacey makes a motion to move funds remaining in team accounts to the LMHA savings account on September 6th, seconded by Jody, all in favor, approved.
      6. RAMP
         1. Registration $276,649.25 (this includes CAS tryout fees, etc)
         2. Outstanding balance $188,236.75.
            1. Reminder credit cards will be charged the remaining balance owing on September 1st if used when registered.
            2. Email will be sent to directors to forward on in the next week.
      7. Players not paid and without a payment plan will not be permitted on the ice for evaluations.
      8. Are we expecting new teams???
      9. Grant applications will open in September, will apply by deadline.
      10. Still need a copy of Fall AGM minutes signed by Secretary and President to file Society Return.
      11. FY 2024 has gone to the Accountant for Year End Statement,
   6. **Game & Conduct – Donna Miller**
      1. Thank you Dylan for getting the criminal record checks approved and updated
      2. Directors please remind your coach applicants to ensure that they have a criminal record check on file with LMHA. These need to be submitted every 3 years
      3. Declaration needs to be signed in the years following the CRC being provided (IE years 2 and 3)
      4. Will be updating the record checks coach certification tracker shortly
   7. Past President – Lori
5. **DIRECTOR REPORTS**
   1. **Intro to Hockey (U5, U7 and Rocket Launchers) – Alyssa Dinter**
      1. Sorry to have missed again! Starting to see a few more registrations trickling in the last few days
      2. For U7 numbers looking good-hoping for a few more U7 registrations to make 3 teams-currently have 23 players.. Not sure on coach registrations.
      3. Rocket Launchers has lower numbers than last year
      4. U5 is smaller than last year but still a solid number (8)
   2. **Novice U9 – Kurtis Baehl**
      1. Currently working on potential evaluators,
         1. have 3 confirmed.
         2. 2 of which are from different hockey associations.
      2. Would like to get an update on registration numbers for players and coaches
   3. **Atom U11 – Brandon Maier**
      1. 44 registrations, with the possibility of a couple more,
         1. 7 trying out for AA,
         2. 1 goalie.
      2. 6 goalies, 1 female.
      3. Going to be interesting depending on how many make CAS and how many want to play on a female team, especially with goalies.
      4. Once evaluation ice is finalized will reach out to parents with dates and information.
   4. **Pee Wee U13 – Erin Fuller**
   5. **Bantam U15 – Angela Wymann-Richter**
      1. 49 registered \*\* as of last update
         1. 6 goalies - 4 trying AA
         2. 13 players trying AA
      2. Five females
      3. With these numbers potentially 3 teams?
      4. In light of what happened last year, I would recommend the decision about Non-Body Contact happen early and be clear with parents.
         1. I would recommend if there are 3 teams, the C team be non-contact
         2. If there are 2 teams, I would recommend that if the B team is Tier 4 or 5, that team becomes Non-Body Contact. This should be communicated to all players early.
   6. **Midget U18 – Joanne Day**
      1. Registrants: 49
      2. Goalies: 5
      3. CAS: 16 (3 goalies)
   7. **Female Director - Kevin Henderson/Ashley Klessens**
      1. U11 Female (CAHL) practice ice in question
      2. U15 Female (RMFHL/CAHL) overage/underage
      3. Fundraising will probably be through LMHA
      4. Fees are the same as LMHA
      5. Payment plans - same as LMHA
      6. Jerseys and apparel <https://mail.google.com/mail/u/1/#search/CAW+apparel/FMfcgzGxTPDrSFLqNKtrJqMStfWcpHhM?projector=1&messagePartId=0.1>
6. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**
   1. **CAHL Governor - Jordie Stewart / Angela Wymann-Richter**
   2. **Referee in Chief – Jody Blokland**
      1. Clinic Oct 5th
   3. **Referee Assignor - Priscilla Blokland**
      1. need some senior refs
   4. **Fundraising Convenor – Tara Worobetz**
      1. nothing to report
   5. **Sponsorship Chair – Corey Rintoul**
      1. nothing to report
   6. **Safety Officer - Sarah Ritten**
      1. need access to email, safety binder and other files
      2. look to schedule safety meeting late September
   7. **Social Media coordinator - Melanie Calihoo**
      1. nothing to report.
   8. **Development Coordinator- Jeremy Dreise**
      1. Development ice the week of August 19th
   9. **Coach Mentor – Rick Maclise / Joe Bouvier / Casey Calihoo / Jon Sydenham**
      1. Coaches meeting September 10/11th
      2. Goalie session start September 20th at 7am on front ice
      3. Jeremy makes a motion to spend up to $250 on coaches meeting supplies, Seconded by Dave, all in favor, approved.
   10. **South Central League Representative – Brent Talsma**
       1. Brent now acting at U15AA manager
       2. HA looking for Ice to host playoffs at the end of the year.
   11. **Central Alberta Selects Representative – Brent Talsma**
   12. **Tournament Coordinator - Alyssa Dinter**
       1. nothing to report, will get back in next week.
   13. **Special Events Coordinator- Prisilla Blokland**
       1. nothing to report
   14. **Rockets Give Back coordinator - Tamara Cox**
7. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS.**
   1. Look at the affiliation process. Consider that all players will be affiliated before tiering based on evaluations and Grid the players accordingly. This eliminates ambiguity.
   2. Need to look at a policy for players injured and or missed evaluations due to Elite stream cuts. Need something more concrete to solidify where players land after evaluations. What qualifies as a qualified skate?... practice with each team. Look at the policy from Olds.
8. **NEW BUSINESS.**

**Adjourn 20:53**

**Next meeting date: September 10, 2024 - 7pm**

**Fall AGM: October 8, 2024 - 7pm**