**LACOMBE MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION**

 **OPERATIONAL COMMITTEE MEETING**

LACOMBE SPORTS AND LEISURE COMPLEX

UPPER MEETING ROOM

5210 – 54 AVENUE

LACOMBE, ALBERTA

**November 3, 2011 at 7:00 PM**

**Jeff Heindel called the meeting to order @ 7:06 PM**

**PRESENT:**

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| Tina Parton | Lin Luymes | Jacqui Rider |
| Natalie Broderson | Mike Kozak | Kari Pilote |
| Becky Ramsay | Connie Lofstrand | Darin Gill – Left Early |
| Les Richards | Josh Smith | Jeff Heindel |

**CHAIRMAN AND SECRETARY**

 Jeff Heindel occupied the Chair and Tina Parton acted as Secretary of the meeting.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

 Lin Luymes made a motion to accept the minutes from the September 1, 2011 meeting as presented. Jacqui Rider seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**BUSINESS**

* Lacombe Minor Hockey Executive Director sub-committee
	+ Connie Lofstrand and Deanna Zunti let their names stand as sub-committee members.
	+ Call other associations that already have an executive director position and see if they will share their information.
	+ Committee will report their findings.

**Kari Pilote made a motion to accept Connie Lofstrand and Deanna Zunti as members of the sub-committee to investigate an Executive Directory position. Mike Kozak seconded the motion. Motion was unanimously carried.**

* Lacombe Minor Hockey Subsidy Program – Mike Kozak
	+ Opportunity for LMHA to work with private sponsors to help families needing financial aid to allow their kids to play hockey.
	+ Mike has some contacts that are willing to support this program
	+ Eligibility will be based on a case by case situation.
	+ If possible the family being helped will pay back into the fund to help others.
	+ Directors may look at the subsidy on a year to year basis.
	+ Lin will review Sylvan Lake Minor Hockey policy.
	+ Mike and Lin will work out the details.
* Opportunity to Host Hockey Alberta World Hockey Tour-info sent by e-mail
	+ Operational committee decided not to pursue this.

**EXECUTIVE REPORTS**

PRESIDENT – Jeff Heindel

* Goalie Mentor – Is there a person that would be interested or a good fit.
	+ Looking for instructors and someone to organize a goalie clinic in Lacombe.
	+ Maybe setup something with ATC.
	+ Darin Gill has been asked to organize this.
* Old Jerseys
	+ Possibly donate old jerseys to the Lacombe Christian School or Lacombe Recreational hockey program.

VICE-PRESIDENT – Trevor Jevne - Absent

REGISTRAR – Lin Luymes

* Nothing to report.

SECRETARY – Tina Parton

* Pictures
	+ Pictures ran smooth this year.
	+ Thanks to Desiree Horner for volunteering to organize picture night.

TREASURER – Kari Pilote

* LMHA April 30, 2011 Financial Statement
	+ Association member questioned the North Central fee of $300.00 it was posted to the wrong column and has now been fixed. The fee is a Hockey Alberta fee not North Central.

PAST PRESIDENT – Troy Rider - Absent

**DIRECTORS REPORT**

INITIATION – Becky Ramsay - Absent

NOVICE – Roy Burton - Absent

ATOM – Shawn Playford - Absent

PEEWEE – Darin Gill - Absent

BANTAM – Mike Kozak

* Waiting on North Central tiering. Teams were double booked so both the A teams are no longer playing on the weekend.
* Bantam AA is going good it is nice to see some different towns.

MIDGETS – Les Richardson

* Issues regarding midget players practicing on the back ice they are too big for the back ice and it is hurting development.
* LMHA has back ice times and the younger kids can’t practice at those later hours.
* More front ice practices for this age group will be looked into for next year.

FEMALE – Ryan Brow - Absent

* Females are not interested in running a tournament.
* LMHA will look into turning the ice back to the town and see what the options are.
* 60 hours of unused ice if the female division does not host a tournament.
* Bantam female jerseys still missing.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

FUNDRAISING – Natalie Broderson.

* 58 volunteers so far for the Oilers 50/50 still waiting for 6 or so more.
* LMHA jerseys will be provided for volunteers to wear.
* Providing busing has helped bring in more volunteers.

SPONSORSHIP – Justin Grabo – Absent

REFEREE IN CHIEF – Josh Smih –

* Things are fine
* Met with Midgets and Bantams about the new head contact rule.
* Possibility of having a mini mid season refresher clinic for our Lacombe refs.
* Question asked how to file a ref complaint or complaint regarding an opposing coach. Complaints go to the association from the team level not at an individual level.

TOURNAMENT CHAIR – Lana Beierbach – Absent

* Things are good.

ICE CONVENOR – Jacqui Rider

* Waiting for North Central schedules to be complete.

UPPER REFEREE ASSIGNER – Anita Brown – Absent

* Having some trouble getting refs but not linesmen.

LOWER REFEREE ASSIGNER – Jacqui Rider

* Nothing to report

EQUIPMENT – Paul Bernier - Absent

* Directors please ask team managers to collect a $50.00 personal cheque from each person on their team with a LMHA locker key. Cheques will only be cashed if the keys are not returned at the end of the hockey season.

GAME AND CONDUCT – Roy Burton – Absent.

APPAREL – Rachel Maris, Randean Playford – Absent.

* Apparel items are missing from the locker. Waiting to hear what is missing.
* Berna put the name in the wrong spot on some pants. It is her responsibility to fix it out of pocket. The issue is being dealt with.

COACH MENTOR – Jason Petrie – Absent.

SOUTH CENTAL MINOR HOCKEY LEAGUE REPRESENTATIVE –Troy Rider – Absent.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

TRIBUTE TO BYRON GREFF

* Discussion around creating a tribute for Byron Greff a Lacombe soldier killed in Afghanistan.
* Byron played minor hockey in Lacombe.
* Possibly framing a picture of Byron or naming a trophy on his behalf.
* Josh will ask the family for a picture.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Josh Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 9:06 PM.

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**JEFF HEINDEL, PRESIDENT**

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**EXECUTIVE MEMBER**

(please indicate position and print name)

Next meeting will be held December 1, 7:00 pm

at the Lacombe Sports and Leisure Complex