



**LACOMBE MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION
OPERATIONAL COMMITTEE MEETING**
LACOMBE SPORTS AND LEISURE COMPLEX
5210 - 54 AVENUE
LACOMBE, ALBERTA
July 4, 2012 at 7:00 PM

Trevor Jevne called the meeting to order @ 7:08 PM

PRESENT:

Lin Luymes	Thalia Hibbs	Trevor Jevne
Natalie Broderson	Darin Gill	Jason Petrie
Sharon Klinger (Ponoka Minor Hockey)	Chad Chissell (Ponoka Minor Hockey)	Lindsey Peters (Ponoka Female Hockey)
Jacqui rider	Kari Pilote	Kathy Pallister
Jason Bessette	Jeff Heindel	

CHAIRMAN AND SECRETARY

Trevor Jevne occupied the Chair and Jacki Talsma acted as Secretary of the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Reviewed last meeting minutes from the April 5, 2012 meeting. Lin Luymes made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Kari Pilote seconded the motion. Motion carried.

BUSINESS

Lacombe Minor Hockey Female Program

- Discussion regarding joining our female program together with Ponoka Minor Hockey. Sharon Klinger has been speaking with LMH regarding joining our female programs together in the Atom, PeeWee, Bantam and Midget divisions with one team in each division between the two towns. It is believed that this would be of great benefit to grow our female hockey programs. There would be benefits to our female players playing with team mates their own ages to grow their skills more accordingly. Also, there is a current safety risk with our female players playing with other girls that may be 4 years difference in age.
- Teams will be registered under one association. Practices will be split equally between both towns.
- The towns of Bentley and Rimbey have been approached. Rimbey will continue with their own team and draw on the town of Bentley for other female players.
- To promote the Female Hockey Program, they are looking into a possible \$500 Grant to be used in September or October for a 1 day ice breaker camp. Posters are currently being designed to put out into the community to advertise the Ponoka-Lacombe Female Hockey Program.
- **Trevor Jevne made a motion to initiate a joint venture with Ponoka Minor Hockey to combine our female players. One team in each Atom, PeeWee, Bantam and Midget divisions. Teams to be based out fo each town equally. Fees to be paid to players home town association. Seconded by Lin Luymes. Voted with all in favor. Passed.**

Rebels Game

- Rebels game is scheduled for September 14th. Trevor has started on the list of items to be done. A physician has been contacted in regards to being there on game day. Jacqui has emailed Tracey VerHoeven about booking the ice surface for the special event.

Evaluation and Selection Process

- Trevor Jevne and Les Richardson have been in discussion regarding LMH's current process for evaluations and selections. The process is in need of revamping and revisions. They have looked at numerous towns and cities throughout the province including Okotoks. As well as looking at the processes from Hockey Canada and Hockey Alberta. There is a need for the system that is used to be understood and transparent. But there is a concern voiced that having a new process written up for the August Executive Meeting and rolling it out for a September 4th start to the season is too tight of a time line. It is a tight turnaround and we need to understand the process before it can be rolled out properly. The process needs to be on the website before September 4th.
- Trevor and Les have been working on this process. Jason Petrie expressed interest in coming on board as well. An invitation to past Directors, Coaches and Board Members should be extended and a sub-committee needs to be formed. This will be a longer process and perhaps short term changes can be made for the September 4th deadline.
- Short term changes to the process would include:
 1. Coach selection and Evaluation ratio is currently 25:75. This would likely be changed to 50:50.
 2. There would be more structure to each of the ice times during the evaluation process. Each of the evaluation sessions would include the same skills, drills and coaches.
 3. Ice times would include a certain number of free skates, skills sessions and scrimmages. This would be applied to PeeWee and above divisions.
 4. Evaluators would be available from a group for the Directors to draw from.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS

PRESIDENT – Trevor Jevne

- LMH Golf Tournament
 - To be held September 21st with a 1:00 Shot Gun start.
 - More info to be provided by Justin Grabo.

VICE-PRESIDENT – Jason Bessette

- Nothing to report

REGISTRAR – Lin Luymes

- Pictures will be held October 10 or 17th
- Apparell is all being selected. Looking at doing a fitting or Pee Wee, Bantam and Midget in the 3rd week of September. There will be a separate night for Initiation to Atom in early October.
- Jerseys are all in order for the season. Home and away socks to be given to Atom and up.
- Registrations are as follows:
 - 25 Initiation
 - 37 Novice
 - 42 Atom w/ 4 Goalies
 - 43 Pee Wee w/ 4 Goalies and 24 indicating AA
 - 37 Bantam w/ 5 Goalies, 28 indicating AA, and 1 Out of Towner
 - 41 Midget w/ 5 Goalies, 37 indicating AA and 1 Out of Towner
 - Female Registrations are 2 Atom, 7 Pee Wee, 4 Bantam and 5 Midget

SECRETARY – Jacki Talsma

- Nothing to report.

TREASURER – Kari Pilote

- There were some NSF on cheques written for Early Bird Registrations. Will give until July 15 to pay in order to qualify for the Early Bird discount.
- Is going to explore the options of getting a Debit Machine as well as paying online through Hockey Canada.

PAST-PRESIDENT – Jeff Heindel

- Nothing to report.

DIRECTORS REPORT

INITIATION – Becky Ramsay - Absent

NOVICE – Thalia Hibbs - See New Business below

ATOM – Kathy Pallister – Nothing to report

PEEWEE – Dave Davidson - Absent

BANTAM - Darin Gill - Nothing to report

MIDGETS – Les Richardson – Absent

FEMALE – Darryl Klassen And Tom Fisher – Absent

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FUNDRAISING CONVENER – Natalie Broderson – Nothing to report

SPONSORSHIP – Justin Grabo - Absent

REFEREE IN CHIEF – Josh Smith – Absent

TOURNAMENT CHAIR – Deanna Zunti – Absent

ICE CONVENER – Jacqui Rider –

- Discussions regarding what tournaments want to be booked for this season. No Pee Wee or Bantam tournaments during school holidays. Is going to contact Mike Kozac regarding the Bantam
- Moving PeeWee to the Female slot in the 1st week of January. There will be no Female Tournament.

UPPER REFEREE ASSIGNER – Anita Brown- Absent

LOWER REFEREE ASSIGNER – Denny Pannenbecker - Absent

GAME AND CONDUCT – Mike Kozac - Absent

COACH MENTOR – Jason Petrie – Nothing to report

SOUTH CENTRAL MINOR HOCKEY LAEAGUE REPRESENTATIVE – Troy Rider - Absent

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

- Hockey Alberta Body Checking Survey – survey is open on the Hockey AB website until July 6th. Email to be sent to the entire association to make them aware of the survey and encourage them to take part in the survey.

ADJOURNMENT

Move to adjourn meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 9:02 PM.

TREVOR JEVNE, PRESIDENT

EXECUTIVE MEMBER

(Please indicate position and print name)

Next meeting to be held August 1st, 7:00 pm
at the Lacombe Sports and Leisure Complex.