



**LACOMBE MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION
OPERATIONAL COMMITTEE MEETING**

UPPER MEETING ROOM
LACOMBE SPORTS AND LEISURE COMPLEX
5210 - 54 AVENUE
LACOMBE, ALBERTA

September 5, 2013 at 7:00 PM

Brent Talsma called the meeting to order @ 7:08 PM

PRESENT:

Jacki Talsma	Thalia Hibbs	Trevor Jevne
Haley Kirsch	Lori McCrea	Edith McKinlay
Dave Jacobi	Joey Ingram	Michelle Barefoot
Alison Stangeland	Tom Fisher	Jacqui Rider
Les Richardson	Lin Luymes	Brent Talsma
Kari Pilote	Mike Kozak	Josh Smith
Cheyne Law		

CHAIRMAN AND SECRETARY

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Kari Pilote made a motion to accept the minutes from the July 9, 2013 meeting as presented. Edith McKinlay seconded the motion. Voted and all in favor. Motion carried.

Kari Pilote made a motion to accept the minutes from the August 12, 2013 meeting as presented. Edith McKinlay seconded the motion. Voted and all in favor. Motion carried.

South Central Decision for Pee Wee and Bantam

- The decision has been made for the AA Bantam team to opt out of the South Central league for this season.
- PeeWee was voted to stay in the SCAHL.
- Brent has released three players to tryout for the Bantam Sylvan Lake team.
- We also have Verveda plus four other goalies. One is talking about trying out as a forward. But there is also a possibility of having a Blackfalds goalie come to our association. Will see what transpires.
- For the PeeWees we have possibility of two players with another two coming from a neighboring association. Their applications have been submitted to Hockey Alberta and will see what the decision will be.
- That will leave 52 players for 4 teams in the PeeWee division. If these kids get released they will need to be evaluated onto their teams.
- There have also been a few phone calls regarding the PeeWee team staying AA in SCAHL and pulling their kids from the association. Now whether they act on that or if it is just a threat.
- No speaking with parents, we must stand united with our decision. Please direct their concerns to the proper people.

Red Deer Rebels Game

- We have a confirmed doctor. Dr Ron Keller

- Mayor Steve Christie will be dropping the puck.
- Lin has arranged the anthem singer.
- BBQ is still being arranged. Have a few different options. The Lacombe Fire Dept. will be on hand to do the BBQing.
- Liquor will be served in the lounge of the curling rink. We will get \$1 for every drink sold.
- Steve Parton is arranging the security.
- Have selected George from Letos to skate with the Red Deer Rebels.
- Will be arranging the pizza for the Rebels and the referees.

Return to the Ice Golf Tournament

- Currently have 10 teams registered.
- Still in need of teams, hole sponsors, prizes and silent auction items.
- Edith encouraged all committee members to register a team.

Hockey Alberta Summit

- Brent, Lin and Josh attended the conference. Great speakers.
- There was discussion of separating AA or the elite stream from the grassroots.
- Dr. Norris discussed shrinking down the game where a player touches the puck for longer times. This can be achieved by dividing our rinks to ½ ice surfaces and shrinking down their game in the earlier divisions up to Atom. Have seen a big pitch to divide the rinks and centers like Leduc and Red Deer have already started doing this.
- Brent would like to discuss this possibility with Ponoka, Blackfalds and other associations.
- George Kingston spoke about our primary objective should be developing the player not advancing the player past their development. Best model is parity which means equal teams in all levels.
- The amount of the economic footprint on our local communities' was staggering.
- Time, travel and length of the season is the reason for most kids dropping out.
- It was a great conference with allot of interesting information.

Goalie Training Dates

- Sheldon Baird and Jordan Ramstead have been chosen to provide our goalie training. This will start in October likely depending on ice availability.

Evaluations and Expectations for Beginning of Season

- Brent opened the meeting with an expectation that we all work together to have a good start to our LMH season.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS

PRESIDENT – Brent Talsma

- Nothing more to report.

VICE-PRESIDENT – Blair Zilinski - Absent

REGISTRAR – Lin Luymes

- Numbers are as follows:
 - Bantam 40
 - Midget 46
 - PeeWee 52
 - Atom 44
 - Novice 45
 - Initiation 45
 - Bears 14
 - Atom Female 2
 - PeeWee Female 6
 - Bantam Female 6
 - Midget Female 6

- If monies are not collected or Respect In Sport is not completed, the player is not allowed on ice. Out of town players must have all their proper paperwork in order as well.
- October 23rd will be our picture and apparel night. Same apparel available as last year.
- Novice from Dodge Caravan is \$500 available to each team. Link on website.
- 2008 born kids have free helmet available from Chevy. Link on Hockey AB website.
- October 12/13 is Girls World Hockey Day.
- November 6-10 is Girls Championship. Need volunteers.
- Hope to host a Coach Level clinic. Is a 4 hour online, then in class and on ice. Is arranging.
- Safety Course is now online.
- Winter games for PeeWee in February.

SECRETARY – Jacki Talsma

- Nothing to report.

TREASURER – Kari Pilote

- Kari **made motion** to remove Trevor Jevne from signing authority on our bank accounts and add Lin Luymes and Blair Zilinski. Authorization to view accounts online but not to make changes to the account. **Seconded** by Joey Ingram. **Voted and All in favor.**
- There is a significant amount of money sitting in an account and we should invest it into something.
- Kari **made motion** to move money from the Reserve Account into and interest accruing account where the funds can be accessed at anytime. **Seconded** by Joey Ingram. **Voted and All in favor.**

PAST PRESIDENT – Trevor Jevne

- Trevor advised of the Head Smart concussion App by Hockey Canada for smart phones. Would be a good thing to have installed for coaches and assistants.
- There have been many videos made available on what is a body check vs. a hit.

DIRECTORS REPORT

INITIATION – Lori McCrea

- Numbers have grown. Will be booking ice.
- Wondering what coaches have submitted applications. Lin to advise.
- Is talking to some Midget players to come out and be on ice helpers.

NOVICE – Haley Kirsch

- Has a player list of 45 registrants.
- Should have 4 teams based on these numbers.
- Ice times starting September 21st.
- Wondering about coach applications. Lin to advise.

ATOM – Edith McKinlay

- Has evaluation sheets. Practice sheets are in order.
- Have set up an exhibition game vs. Stettler.

PEEWEE – Trevor Jevne

- Evaluation will be starting Saturday. Have evaluators lined up.
- Have fielded parents that are not happy with the South Central decision.

BANTAM – Darin Gill

MIDGETS – Les Richardson

- Sunday is free skate, Monday will be skills session.
- Exhibition game will be Monday the 16th vs. Sylvan Lake..

FEMALE – Tom Fisher

- North Central meeting is next Saturday and need decision on what league for the female teams.
- Is working on a jersey that incorporates the Rockets and Ponoka Stampeders.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FUNDRAISING – Alison Stangeland

- Has met with Natalie and she has explained everything.

SPONSORSHIP – Dave Jacobi

- Same as last year. Will deliver chqs to Kari that has collected so far. Send a list of the sponsors to Lin and Jacki.

REFEREE IN CHIEF – Josh Smith

- Would like the Lacombe Police service to be a Gold Sponsor this year.
- Arbiter has invested over 60 hours into the new program. Needs to meet with Michele and Anita.
- Initiation will be one ref per game at \$25 per game. Novice will be \$54 split with three refs per game.

TOURNAMENT CHAIR – Lori McCrea

- Tournament sanctions have been done online.

ICE CONVENOR – Jacqui Rider

- Midget and Bantam have been given their practice ice.
- PeeWee has after AA ice tryouts.

UPPER REFEREE ASSIGNER – Anita Brown

LOWER REFEREE ASSIGNER – Michelle Barefoot

GAME AND CONDUCT – Mike Kozak

- His company would like to do some sponsorship.

COACH MENTOR – Cheyne Law & Joey Ingram

- Joey advises that is still establishing roles. Once all the coaches have been established, will see what each coach needs.
- Advises that during evaluations a good practice for each coach is to not cut players by an email or a list. It is a good idea to contact each player and advise why or what they need to improve on.

SOUTH CENTRAL ALBERTA HOCKEY LEAGUE REPRESENTATIVE –Troy Rider

- Nothing more to report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

Tom Fisher moved to adjourn meeting at 9:15 PM. Seconded by Les Richardson.

BRENT TALSMA, PRESIDENT

EXECUTIVE MEMBER

(please indicate position and print name)

Next meeting will be held on October 8th at 7:00 pm
at the Lacombe Sports and Leisure Complex