



**LACOMBE MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION
OPERATING COMMITTEE MEETING
LMH OFFICE
LACOMBE, ALBERTA
December 17, 2019 at 7:00pm**

Lori McCrea called the meeting to order at 7:06pm

PRESENT:

Lori McCrea	Corey Shaw	Erin Fuller	Heather Pedersen	Nicole Anstey
Curtis Goulet	Troy Rider	Teri Lynn Amundson	Jason Towers	Alison Strangeland
Chad Richter	Jason Bessette	Joanne Day	Jacqui Rider	Jody Blokland

Lori McCrea occupied the chair, Heather Pedersen acted as secretary.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1.1 Chad Richter moved "That the Committee approve the Operating Committee Meeting minutes with revisions held on November 19, 2019 as presented." Teri Lynn Amundsen second. All in favor. Motion carried

2. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

2.1 Additions to Unfinished Business - none.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

3.1 Additions to New Business - Bussing, Girls Dressing Room, and Team Fundraising

3.2 Curtis Goulet moves "The Committee approve the agenda as presented." Jason Bessette second. All in favor. Motion carried.

4. EXECUTIVE REPORTS

4.1 PRESIDENT Lori McCrea - November has been a very busy month which mostly consisted of disciplinary issues. The Town of Blackfalds would like support from LMH for a new ice surface to go in Lacombe County. We are having trouble putting a smart lock on the door at the back ice because they require a deadbolt and it doesn't have a deadbolt. We are considering threatening the town with chasing down arena staff to unlock the room every time we need to open it. We also still need to devise a system on who uses the boards. We have received a request regarding affiliate goalies to practice with their affiliate teams. Lori is proposing that we purchase some shooter tutor and goalie training equipment in lieu of having affiliate goalies' practices with their affiliate teams. This is due to their team commitments and fatigue. Jacqui Rider moves "LMH will purchase some goalie training equipment ie. two shooter tutors and two targets". Jason Bessette second. All in favour. Motion carried. A reminder to the directors to remind your coaches to not leave before all of your players have left. Also, make sure your dressing rooms are tidy after every practice and game.

4.2 VICE PRERESIDENT Corey Shaw - I have been trying to devise a schedule for goalies that are affiliated with other teams so they can practice so they can get used to the increased speed versus their own tier. Occasional practice is beneficial; however, it is up to the discretion of the players coach. Final approval must be made by the division director. This will only apply to teams with one goalie. Lori will come up with the policy wording and send out to everyone. Corey would like to thank all of the directors during the affiliation process. It was not the best process but we managed to get through it. We need to stress to the coaches that they need to go through the

proper channels for affiliates. The earlier the better and it doesn't hurt to get approval even if they don't end up using the affiliate player.

- 4.3 REGISTRAR Erin Fuller – Affiliations are done and next year she would like to sit down with the directors and coaches so everyone is placed appropriately. The Hockey Alberta AGM was very informative and nothing was voted on. Next year it would be beneficial if we had more representatives attend.
 - 4.4 SECRETARY Heather Pedersen – The collection of CRC is still ongoing. Heather has not been on the correct google document for the CRC.
 - 4.5 TREASURER Nicole Antsey – Equipment deposits are still outstanding and if they are not handed in by December 23 practices will be suspended. One apparel cheque is still outstanding.
 - 4.6 GAME & CONDUCT MANAGER Josh Smith – absent. Disciplinary issues are being dealt with.
5. **DIRECTORS REPORTS.**
- 5.1 BEARS Holly Sorbie – Absent Lori McCrea presented her report. Santa is coming to skate with the Bears and a Christmas party will follow. In the new year Holly is going to arrange some games around Central Alberta.
 - 5.2 INITIATION Cheyne Law – Absent no report submitted.
 - 5.3 NOVICE Curtis Goulet – We are having some issues with teams coming to our home tournament. Is it time or cost the problem? We should have got started earlier in the season organizing and there are two conflicting tournaments in the area. We may need to look into changing the dates for next year. We need to have our tournament schedule out ASAP so any unused ice can be reallocated.
 - 5.4 ATOM Jason Towers – Everything is going quite smoothly and the players did great this weekend at a tournament. We are just in the process of working on our affiliations
 - 5.5 PEEWEE Jason Bessette – Tournament organizing is going well and we are still looking for one tier three team. Other than that everything is going well. Peewee will be hosting Provincials for tier 4 and we will be needing volunteers. A parent meeting has already taken place. The peewee tournament in town was a great success.
 - 5.6 BANTAM Joanne Day – We have had some disciplinary concerns that are being dealt with and also some injuries on the B team.
 - 5.7 MIDGET Edith McKinlay – Absent. Lori McCrea presented Edith's report. The Midget A's hopefully will improve in the New Year and the B team is not having very much success but they are having fun.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- 6.1 REFEREE-IN-CHIEF Josh Smith – absent. No report submitted.
- 6.2 ICE CONVENOR Jacqui Rider – We have five TBA games with the Bantam A. Medicine Hat is becoming a problem because they do not want to leave early in the morning to attend games. Jacqui has sent the issue to Corey Shaw and he will look into it. Everything is complete as far as game changes. General playoff game schedule is still being dealt with and hope next year the city will set aside ice for this.
- 6.3 FUNDRAISING CONVENOR Teri Lynn Amundson – The raffle tickets need to be returned by January 31. Our casino is March 23 and 24 and a volunteer sign up will be sent out in the new year.
- 6.4 SPONSORSHIP Tania Dundas – Absent. A list of team pictures was sent to admin for our sponsors. A reminder to our directors to please mention their sponsors when they are bragging about their teams on social media.
- 6.5 MIDGET/BANTAM COACH MENTORS Sheldon Klessen – absent. No report submitted.
- 6.6 PEEWEE/ATOM COACH MENTOR Jody Blokland – Not much to report.

- 6.7 BEARS/INITIATION/NOVICE COACH MENTOR Chad Richter – We are looking forward to getting the new boards in the new year. What was on the list for supplies for each team? We may need more supplies.
- 6.8 SOUTH CENTRAL ALBERTA HOCKEY LEAGUE REPRESENTATIVE Troy Rider – Players have not been allowed to shake hands with the opposing team and now they have included officials to this policy.
- 6.9 CENTRAL ALBERTA SELECTS REPRESENTATIVE Troy Rider – All three teams are very competitive in the divisions. Our goalie coach from Cross Ice Developments has been coming to our Alix practices.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 7.1 None

6. NEW BUSINESS

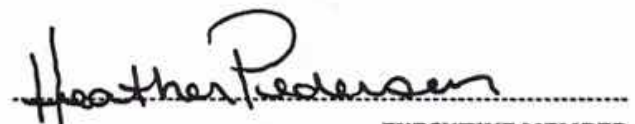
- 6.1. First Aid kits. Heather Pedersen has been looking into the cost. She has received two quotes and they are not very easy to compare. We all agree that we need a proper blanket in the kit and Alison mentioned that we have a bunch of medical supplies upstairs in the locker. No decision was made.
- 6.2. Team Fundraising. Fundraising has become too excessive for some teams. Their home tournament should provide enough money for the team activities.
- 6.3. Girls change rooms. Joanne Day suggested that girls should not be sharing rooms with the female players from the opposing team. Some visitor teams do not have the same rules that we enforce. It is not a concern if the girls share a room with younger or older Rocket players. We have enough dressing rooms in the arena we should try to dedicate one room for the entire day for female players. Lori will contact the city.
- 6.4. Bussing – Lori McCrea suggested that we update our bussing policy. Some teams are travelling more this season and financially cannot afford a bus for every trip over 200 kms. Lori suggested that we let the team use their own discretion on trips 200 – 299 kms. However, anything over 300 kms is a mandatory bus trip. This does not apply to tournaments.
- 6.5. Tournament Coordinator. We may need to re-introduce a tournament coordinator again so all the divisions get their tournaments organized. We would like to take some of the workload off of the directors. The tournament binder is MIA and we will see if we can find it.

7. ADJOURNMENT

- 7.1 Corey Shaw moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:22pm Nicole Antsey second. All in favour.

Next meeting January 14, 2020


LORI MCCREA, PRESIDENT


EXECUTIVE MEMBER
(HEATHER PEDERSEN, SECRETARY)