

Medicine Hat Soccer Association

Board Meeting Minutes

August 24, 2015

Present: Theresa Hardiker, Dawn Lake, Sara Bohnert, Trevor Copeland, Garth Firman, Hugh Lehr, Joey Gentile, Carla Bennett, Jeff Vangen

Staff: None

Absent: Ron Simon (with regrets), Nanette Newton (with regrets)

Guests: Jim Loughlin (for a short period of time)

Next meeting: September 14, 2015, 630pm, MHC

Action Item

1. **Call to Order:** by Jeff Vangen at 6:32pm
2. **M63 – Motion to approve agenda as amended to include discussion of tax receipts, practice players. Moved by Hugh, seconded by Sara, carried.**
3. The coaching selection committee for RASC met on August 23 to discuss recommendations to be presented to the board for coach appointments for the 2015/2016 indoor season and the 2016 outdoor season. The coaching selection committee was comprised of Sara Bohnert, Dawn Lake, Hugh Lehr, Joey Gentile and Jim Loughlin. It was agreed by the selection committee that only recommendations would be put forward for head coaches and head coaches would be allowed to select assistant coaches whom then would be required meet the minimum criteria of MHSA (including required documentation on file at the office). Following coach appointment at the board level, Dawn will notify all coaches. Two teams did not have any applicants (U14B and U18B); coaches will be sought out for these teams and appointed at a later date.

Dawn – coach notification

M64 – Motion to appoint Greg McLeod as the head coach of the U12 boys team for the 2015/2016 indoor season and the 2016 outdoor season. Moved by Dawn, seconded by Joey, carried.

M65 – Motion to appoint Craig Barton as the head coach of the U12 girls team for the 2015/2016 indoor season and the 2016 outdoor season. Moved by Dawn, seconded by Carla, carried.

M66 – Motion to appoint Paul Bennett as the head coach of the U14 girls team for the 2015/2016 indoor season and the 2016 outdoor season. Moved by Dawn, seconded by Hugh, carried.

M67 – Motion to appoint Kim Giesbrecht as the head coach of the U16 boys team for the



2015/2016 indoor season and the 2016 outdoor season. Moved by Dawn, seconded by Joey, carried.

M68 – Motion to appoint Cassandra Westerman as the head coach of the U16 girls team for the 2015/2016 indoor season and the 2016 outdoor season. Moved by Dawn, seconded by Carla, carried.

M69 – Motion to appoint Stan Matthews as the head coach of the U18 girls teams for the 2015/2016 indoor season and the 2016 outdoor season. Moved by Dawn, seconded by Sara, carried.

If a situation arises where there are sufficient registrants at the U12 age group for more than one team, the board agreed a second coach would need to be selected as quickly as possible. This may create a scenario where one team is designated as tier II and attends provincials while the other is designated as Tier III, does not attend provincials but does enter tournaments.

4. Team fees can be claimed on tax returns however parents must ensure they keep their receipt(s) and a registration number from the office must be included on the receipt. This information will be shared with parents at the RASC parent meeting. *Dawn/Nan*
5. Currently there has not been any progress made with the college and MHSA, RASC program agreement. Jeff will ask Jim for a draft of this agreement for board level review.

Jim recommended that a budget be structured and proposed as if the college and MHSA were in an agreement. This budget was presented for review to the board. (Jim entered room to answer a few questions in regard to the proposed budget and then exited the meeting following this discussion.) Overall the board had very little concern with the budget but would like to see a changes made prior to the September board meeting including: clarification on tryout costs, adjustment of coaching gear allocation and correction of MHSA registration fee. Jeff will work with Jim to draft a MOU (memorandum of understanding) to cover the RASC program until the agreement with the college can be finalized. The revised budget and MOU are to be presented to the board for their approval at the September meeting.

M70 – Motion to authorize Jim Loughlin to operate the RASC program with the expectation that a revised budget (as discussed at the August 24 board meeting) be approved at the September 14 MHSA BOD meeting and a MOU between MHSA and Jim Loughlin be signed at the September 14 MHSA BOD meeting to be effective retroactively to September 1, 2015. Moved by Hugh, seconded by Carla, carried.

*Revise budget
Jeff MOU to be
drafted and out to
board by September 3
for review prior to mtg.*

6. Sara proposed meeting schedule up to AGM:
September 14, 630pm – MHSA BOD mtg
October 19, 630pm – MHSA BOD mtg
November 2, 630pm – MHSA BOD mtg
November 17, 630pm – MHSA AGM

Sara will notify Nanette of proposed AGM date so that she can incorporate this into house league and RASC schedules prior to the start of the season and ensure that this will work. Date *Sara*



for AGM will be finalized and approved at September mtg.

7. Discussion regarding discipline process. Jeff indicated that office staff has been given a refresher on the template for discipline processing. Jeff indicated that he will go through this process with Garth. In the future if the chair of the discipline committee (Jeff) is in a position of conflict of interest he will appoint a chair and then remove himself from all discussions.

Jeff/Garth

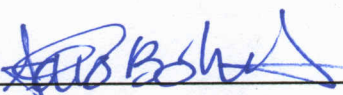
Garth indicated that he will prepare a letter for DRA appointment for the September meeting.

8. Next meeting to be held September 14, 2015, 630pm at MHC (room to be confirmed).
9. **M71 – Motion to adjourn at 8:36pm. Moved by Sara, seconded by Dawn, carried.**

Nan – room confirmation

Sara prepare draft minutes for distribution.

Board minutes approved (date): September 14, 2015

Signature: 

MHSA, Secretary, Sara Bohnert

