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AGENDA – February 10, 2021

Called to Order: 8:01 PM

Welcome

Attendance

Geoff Stewart

Gabe Amyotte

Lindsay Graw

Jenny Sekulich

Todd Esler

~~Tara Flannery~~

Jennifer Dustow

Bob Thompson/Pat de Haas

Michelle Barratt

Jeremy Gough

Amanda Germain

Jamie Steer

Char Crooks

Bruce Layte

~~Greg Schmidt~~

Orinda McCann

Jarett Finney

Katie Rogers

Roy Bowlby

Karla Helm

Josh Esler

Daron Dumanski

Carolyn Berven

Glenn Walker

Graeme Sloane

Jeff Reinhart

Raeanne Tangedal

Motion to accept the minutes from Oct 15, 2020 as presented was made by _____ Gabe _____ and seconded by _____ Jeremy _____. All in favor. Carried.

Reports

President – Geoff

- See powerpoint/slide – Update on season
- Town did not commit during discussion to allow 2 groups of 10 on the ice

VP Coach/Player Development – Josh

- Tough way to end the season, thank you

VP Programs – Gabe

- Repeating that it wasn't an easy decision to cancel, thank you

Former President – Jeremy

- Referenced Roy's equipment update, new racks are done
- Carolyn asked: would you consider private rental of goalie equipment since no one really got a season to try them out at the younger divisions; now they are out a year developing the 'want' to be a goalie; Jeremy said he would look into options, need to look outside the box this year



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Treasurer – Amanda

- Once refunds are finalized for the 21-22 season, Amanda will send out a Google survey will go out ask the members with their preference for a credit to next year or cash back. ONLY ONE Parent to reply per player; The mechanics of the refund/credit will be sent at a later date

Secretary – Karla

OAAA – Bob Thompson/Pat de Haas

- OAAA had their meeting last night and they also debated the cancelation of the season, ultimately deciding to cancel
- They are looking to integrate the female teams with OMHA
- This break in a way enabled them to do a lot of planning

Equipment – Roy/Jeremy

- Working on it, form is complete just needing dates, they will be sent out over the next few weeks
- Graduated jerseys are already in the works for distribution
- Each set of jersey that are returned MUST be return with these conditions:
 - Washed & Dried
 - Placed in numerical order
 - All numbers facing the same direction
 - C's & A's must be removed
 - **COMPLETED "OMHA Team Jersey Inventory" form**
 - Any jersey repairs noted on "OMHA EOY Team Jersey Inventory" form
- Atomic Jerseys 2020-21: Due to the number and color of boxes that we have in stock for next year we would like to ask that 3 of your teams keep the YELLOW jerseys and return the GREEN Jerseys and the other 3 teams keep the GREEN and return the YELLOW jerseys. I would leave it up to you to decide which 3 teams return the green and which ones return the yellow.
 - I am not sure of who but I think there was a team that was going to put name bars on the back, if it is the case it would be obvious for that team to keep the set of jerseys that have the name bar.
- Can you let me know what teams/HC are going to return what color.
- There will be a Goalie return form sent to each of the Novice teams to complete and return for equipment that was assigned, also an email will be sent to Atom House teams regarding Atomic Jersey's.
- Other items that must be returned if on loan to OMHA teams:



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- Bucket WITH Pucks
- Safety Binders
- First Aid Kits
- Cones/Pylons

Admin – Lindsay

Operations – Jamie

- Thanks to everyone

Safety Director – Orinda

- Just need to talk about Headcheck with Gabe

Fundraising – Geoff/Gabe

Game & Conduct – Kevin/Glenn

- OMHA record, 0 incidents on record

Web Admin – Graeme

Goalie Liason – Jarett

Okotoks Ref Assoc – Greg

Manager of Directors – Daron

Rec League – Tara

Female – Jenn/Graeme

U7/Initiation – Char/Jenny

U9/Novice – Carolyn

- List of camps for kids? Geoff said they will try to make a list to send out, unofficially

U11/Atom House – Michelle

U11/Atom Travel – Jeff



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- Also has concerns about goalies, thank you for trying to put something together that we can do for goalies

U13/Pewee Travel – Bruce

- Thank you, and he supports the cancellation, hard but it's the right thing to do

U13/Pewee House – Katie

- Echo what Bruce said, thank you

U15/Bantam – Todd

- Thanks and already looking forward to next year

U18/Midget – Glenn

- Agrees with everyone, asked Lindsay to send him a list of the graduating Midget players

Questions:

- Graeme – With the town really stalling, how can we get them to push? Smaller towns are being used
 - Smaller towns are small, don't need a lot of people to run them
 - Should we have OMHA stress to the town and to make them realize the need for the facilities; Geoff is proposing a round table to get them to realize the impact, Serena is great but town was caught off guard a lot; Every community is different, Calgary rinks vary throughout the city on what they are and are not allowing
- Glenn – Is it the town that is mandating the 1 hour between or AHS?
 - The town; reason they gave is they have to clean all 4 dressing rooms that are potentially getting used
- Todd – What is the outlook for Pason?
 - Gold is looking to extend, Green too depending on grads, etc.; Jr A was canceled today, that might affect it; the appetite for rentals will determine it
 - Next year the year should have a more solid relationship with the town, do we have any scheduled meetings, regularly, to talk about next year?
 - Going to start with round table, and bring in AHS contact and OOAA
- Town was using a grant to do the ice plant at rec, but that expired last year and will not be happening in April now
- Todd – Refund question – answered in Amanda's update;
 - Noted that OOAA refund is different, they pay for their own ice, etc.
- Jennifer – if a coach still wants to run a practice, can it be a team thing or private?



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- OMHA is done but putting together a note on process for to book and get players together; teams can continue if they want; for insurance, players are covered until June by HC
- Jennifer – If portion of mixing teams, AHL and HA and HC, then it is just like summer ice
 - Facilities rules will be stricter than AHS
- Jennifer – When will this be communicated to membership?
 - In a couple of days for coach instructions, notice for end of season will go out within a few hours
- Note – Teams should be able to access the Okotoks youth local rate, the town should honor that rate, will charge more for private hockey
- OAAA has hired Mike Bara as technical director, he is going to hire coaches, etc. He comes from HC, it's the next step and we need to focus on keeping and retaining players; We have asked Mike Bara to present to OMHA
- Amy Snyder – OMHA is doing something for a good feeling for teams; see the promotion; will need volunteers and cube vans for collection;
 - Jennifer asked if there was a drop off time yet? No, TBD; They may rotate through teams/divisions
- Jennifer – Asked about 3rd year midget jerseys, Lindsay said that she has already contacted the teams and has the information for all female teams
- Roy – Regarding half boards, if you are doing it next year Roy, and if you hear about broken pegs, the has spares if needed; Geoff said that him and Konrad switched out boards too, 1 was really bad and waiting for repair
- Velcro bumpers – some in really bad shape, Roy said there are lots, use the good ones and rotate the bad ones out; not sure if it is cheaper to just buy new ones rather than repair
- Todd – is this the end of the board?
 - No, we will still have a few more meetings to get feedback for next year, including presentation with Mike Bara
 - Next year VP Programs, Treasurer and Directors will all be up for re-election

Meeting Adjourned: 9:25 PM