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AGENDA – September 9, 2020

Called to Order: 7:02 PM

Welcome

Attendance

Geoff Stewart

Gabe Amyotte

Lindsay Graw

Jenny Sekulich

Todd Esler

Tara Flannery

Jennifer Dustow

Dan Laplante

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 Aug 19, 2020 as presented was made by _____ Daron _____ and seconded by _____ Todd _____. All in favor. Carried.

Reports

President – Geoff

- Welcome
- Orinda presented to OOAA
- Spectators
 - Will allow 1 parent per player for Intro to hockey; this is a trial to get other divisions/parents in there; will have designated areas
 - Town doesn't have budget for cleaning
 - Look at cleaning groups to get into viewing areas; Town to pass cleaning onto this committee who then handles it
- Live streaming – town is allowing FB live, but it must document a beginning and end time and prove it was deleted from the device
 - If OMHA does it, it is all or nothing for Directors – we can't have some doing it and some not
- No Masking – for those that choose not to wear, hard to police and the rules are set

VP Coach/Player Development – Josh

- Coach interview process:



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- Top candidates of each division to meet as a group this year with director, Gabe, Daron and myself to explain the expectations of development in the cohorts and what the responsibilities of a cohort lead/head coach will include.
- Director's book times
- After the presentation, some may not want to coach
- Great opportunity for mentorship if we choose great coaches; Working together to give different voices
- 1.5 hr time slot
- Dates of interview slots - Sept 15, 16, 17 and 22, 23, 24. 6-9pm each night
- Coach Clinics – only open to Okotoks, max # of people
 - Sept 27 Checking
 - Sept 29 Coach I
 - Oct 13 Coach II
 - Development I?
- Sanitization Intro to Hockey Goalie – the spray just came in

VP Programs – Gabe

- covid questionnaire – as per email
- Conditioning camps - check in procedure – as per email
- floor plans - all 4 rinks – as per email
- 1 parent per kid slip up by town (clarifications) – this Public Announcement was for figure skating at the rec, not hockey
- complaint (notice) and follow up regarding players changing in the parking lot; using the trees as a bathroom
 - Next time Bylaw will be called and there will be tickets
- 14 day quarantine between cohorts
- K2 doing skills
- No jerseys this year, using decals
 - Kids to bring their own jerseys with different colors as established by Director to help differentiate positions
 - Maybe use jerseys we are looking to get rid of? Then they keep for the year?

Former President – Jeremy

Treasurer – Amanda

- Cleaning out the office
 - Tournament people – clear your stuff out by end of week (Sept 11)
 - Edge Boss items – when will lockers be ready?
 - Ordering from Costco – just working on sizing and ordering

Secretary – Karla



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- Newsletter Items by Sunday

OOAA President – Dan LaPlante

- Introduction
- Collaboration with OMHA

Equipment – Roy/Jeremy

Admin – Lindsay

- Conditioning camps – every division needs some extras, Lindsay to send to each Director

Operations – Jamie

- Still no ice after Sept 25th, should have ice by Friday and then will work on eval schedule – will have to go through town approval first before distributing back to Directors

Safety Director – Orinda

- First aid kits.... supplies needed and double checking with Amanda for budget
 - Complaints that they do not contain enough, that they are too small
 - Need confirmation on budget so can order slings not extra tensors (based on feedback at meeting)
- OOAA meeting summary (if any will see tonight)
- Headcheck – Calling Gabe to discuss
- Emergency action plan – Taking this offline
 - How to have volunteers without spectators?

Fundraising – Geoff/Gabe

Game & Conduct – Kevin/Glenn

Web Admin – Graeme

- Look at working with OOAA to switch them from SportEngine to Ramp and to G-Suite

Goalie Liason – Jarett

- Anticipated ice times for the goalie specific evaluations so we can coordinate with Fisher Goaltending.

Okotoks Ref Assoc – Greg

- Tentative clinic start date of October 17/18 weekend. However at this point there may be no clinics held for first year officials. As we may be looking at December clinics for in person. Info surrounding



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this is ever changing. As of right now anyone who was an official last year does not expire now until Jan 31, 2021 (normal expiry would be December 1)

- Anyone who is using officials for games needs to make sure Rink Staff is aware. SSSA is not allowing officials at the moment so we will not be officiating in that arena. All games that were currently scheduled there have had to be moved to town arena
- OMHA & ORA is a test centre for officials. At this point no other centres are using officials currently (this includes Calgary, Airdrie etc.) Once we hammer out the model it will be deployed to other centres
- If you are booking officials for any type of games please clear with Jamie / Gabe prior to sending to ORA for assigning
- We will not be assigning officials at this point for Novice / Atom / Pewee and are only looking to staff officials at higher A program Hockey as it currently sits we will not have enough officials in Okotoks or the Region to staff lower levels with a 14 day isolation period. We have been sending officials already for COVID tests in order for them to work a different cohort bypassing the 14 day isolation period.
- Jamie & Gabe have been getting info that has been passed down to us with respects to HA & Central region and directives coming out of those bodies. However everything is aligned
- There is a new assignor however, not sure how everything is looking yet. Brenda is still the assigning director so questions regarding assigning for the time being can be sent her way
- Team Charges(\$125 per team) have changed temporarily for COVID and we will send a separate note to Amanda & Jamie regarding this
- As of right now we have managed to fill 27 games with officials managing it through Cohorts and 14 day isolations and or COVID tests. To date only had to send two officials for COVID testing so we could fill slots
- Check in requirements with OMHA have been going well, will need to fine tune a few things but so far so good

Manager of Directors - Daron

Rec League – Tara

Female – Jenn/Graeme

Initiation – Char/Jenny

Novice – Carolyn

Atom House – Michelle



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Atom Travel – Jeff

Pewee Travel – Bruce

- Goalie evals – Directors get dates and they pass on to players
- Pod Play
 - It's a goal/bucket list right now
 - Realistically could move to it by end of October, Coach would pick from cohort
 - HA wants pod play by Nov 16

Pewee House – Katie

Bantam – Todd

Midget – Glenn/Trevor

- Maxmizing rosters to 19, then shuffling to RHL; won't oversize

Questions:

- Jenn D – How do some rinks have LiveBarn and not us?
 - Organizations purchased, there's certain protocols and liabilities that release the town, Okotoks won't
- Jenny S – parents with other children while helping the kids on the ice with skates
 - Will have to find alternative for other children, don't bring to rink as they can't use facility
 - Use a buddy system – one of you watches kids outside, the other helps in the dressing room

Meeting Adjourned: 8:30 PM