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MINUTES – September 7, 2022

Called to Order:

Welcome

Attendance

Geoff Stewart

~~Todd Esler~~

Lindsay Graw

Jenny Sekulich

Bruce Layte

~~Rebecca Streit~~

~~Jennifer Dustow~~

~~Pat de Haas~~

Michelle Barratt

Jenn Zaffino

Jeremy Gough

~~Kelly Lush~~

~~Jamie Steer~~

Dhara Rogers

~~Carolyn Berven~~

~~Brenda Honish~~

Orinda McCann

Jarett Finney

~~Candice Wyma~~

Amy Snyder

~~Roy Bowlby~~

~~Karla Helm~~

Blair Scott

~~Daron Dumanski~~

~~Nadine Neufeld~~

Jamie Whalley

Graeme Sloane

Crystal Crawford

~~Raeanne Tangedal~~

Motion to accept the minutes from August 17, 2022 as presented was made by Bruce and seconded by Jen Z. All in favor. Carried.

Reports

President – Geoff

- Development Camp
 - Development Session help to start camps
 - Will be getting jerseys and everything handed out Friday/Saturday
 - Directors come in on Saturday/Sunday during group times
- CAHL Governors
 - We have 2 governors, Lindsay provided an overview of what governors do, need 2 more and it's mandatory for us, RHL still requires 1 as well, we can also have a non-member do this previously
- Presentation for HADP U11
- Video call with development groups
 - Geoff and Blair had call with groups, pricing is very competitive to other associations, have Top Shelf and On the Edge power skating, to be support throughout the season with the divisions
- Intro to goaltending help



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- Goalie Development Sunday Night Clinic
 - Put out to tender after Fisher Goaltending no longer an option, Goalie development to be done by Matt Whitenger, will be doing the Sunday night clinics, does lots with Hockey Alberta and Hockey Canada
 - Southern Alberta Goalie Academy, going to support goalie evaluations, more than 1 evaluator for goalies andw will do goalie development throughout the season, going to do a newsletter (Karla) about the development groups
- U16 CAHL - confirmation players can go to U18 or RHL if released from U16. We confirmed this upon approval
 - If they don't make the CAHL U16, they can try out for U18 CAHL or U15 RHL, Geoff talked to other associations everyone is running it similar, Jamie wants to do 2 games and then right into coach's skates, must be completed fast because U18 and U15 RHL start right after, most of the registered players are from RHL

VP Coach/Player Development – Blair

- U11 HADP Coach selection update
 - August 22 HC interviews were held, 5 applicants all potential were parents, 2 strong consideration, 3rd that would work and the last 2 if those are the options will provide help, coaches to attend, 8 skaters will lock this weekend, once it's down to the 24 and 4 the coach will be selected and they will be assisting with the final cuts, team will be set after this weekend
- Recruiting for Non-paid evaluators
 - We are going to have an active roll, Daron/Todd/Blair met to discuss who to assist, they're going to create buckets and have a draft "snake draft", you will need to pick from each bucket, any trades after will be vetted and approved by D/T/B, mostly for player requests, sibling requests, etc.
 - Ranking procedure will have additional criteria now, hockey sense, passing, etc.
- Coach interview and selection update
 - We want to conduct coach interviews, there are some that will not need to be met with if they have coached in omha before, may need to meet with the new applicants, need to colour - green (approved), yellow (needs a meeting), red (any issues, what they need to work on, etc.)
 - Player needs to land on the team for the coach to be considered
 - Need to offer support to U7/U9 coaches
 - Coach interviews will be done prior to evals starting
 - Directors select the coaches, they have the final say, ensure there is alignment with the executive, but should have a list for potential coaches



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- Blair does go through the survey once he receives the coach applications to look for colour placement
- Start arranging times on Monday for interviews

VP Programs – Todd

OOAA – Pat

Treasurer – Kelly

- Upcoming casino and positions available – should be good, most are filled

Secretary – Karla

- Newsletter – we are resuming the newsletter this year. If you see any interesting articles, or neat to know information, please share!

Equipment – Roy/Jeremy

- U11 HP has received eval jerseys
- Friday Saturday I will be preparing the others for pick up Monday the 12th at the Murray in room 4 between 630-730 pm. U18 can be issued at a later date due to the group starting a few weeks later.
- A new combination lock will be purchased for the Murray and I will share the combo with directors so they can use the locker for storage when they are at the Rec Center.

Admin – Lindsay

- RIS
 - Anyone still missing this, she will send an email of the list of kids that won't be allowed on the ice until this is completed, there have been several emails about this, there is no insurance for that player until that is completed so they can't even do the tune up skates, only in U7/U9
- Missing proof of residency documents
- Players going to 2nd tryouts must still attend OMHA evals
 - Foothills has sent out a need for AA players, you have to come to OMHA evals if you miss you will land where you land, email Lindsay if someone does not show up
 - Foothills has vetted the list so they won't be taking everyone but there are players from OMHA wanting to try out

Operations – Jamie

- Ice schedule is out to September 30th, will be pushing forward into October this week and next.
- Please make sure the number of groups lines up with your numbers



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Safety Director – Orinda

- Small safety binder change
 - Moving away from Safety Binders, and have it set out online so that information is sent right to safety
- First Aid Kits, down 40 kits this year, only have 64 kits
 - Needing to buy 10 first aid kits with over 70 teams this year
 - Orinda meeting with LifeMark, will ask if they will donate kits since we're getting rid of the binders this year
 - Get a kit in the OMHA office and one in Murray storage
 - Basic kits cost \$15
- Safety class, to be done in OMHA board room, will be done end of October/beginning of November

Fundraising – Geoff

Game & Conduct – TBD

Web Admin – Graeme

Goalie Liason – Jarett

- We are doing goalie palooza during the CAHL break for U9, was successful, Saga to handle that
- Needs evals schedule so he can attend
- Would like to have it on Centennial Green

Okotoks Ref Assoc – Brenda

Manager of Directors – Daron

Rec League – Rebecca/Nadine

- Someone reached out from Vulcan to register, including a goalie, we will have room for them, Lindsay has been in contact with their association
- Getting any idea of the number of players before a decision is made

Female – Jenn/Crystal

- Wanting to work with OOAA for affiliation

Initiation (U7) – Jenny

Novice (U9) – Dhara



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Atom House (U11 House) – Michelle

Atom Travel (U11 Travel) – Carolyn

Peewee House (U13 House) – Candice

Peewee Travel (U13 Travel) – Jamie

Bantam (U15) – Jenn Z.

- Tier 3 will be two equal teams

Midget (U18) – Bruce

Questions:

Meeting Adjourned: 7:58 PM