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AGM MINUTES- May 28, 2025

Called to Order: 7:30PM

Welcome

Roll call of Officers and Directors

Officers and Directors in Attendance Geoff Rollins Ryan Carson Daron Dumanski Jessy Yasinski Danielle McGregor

Jennifer Dustow Candice Wyma Serena Jorgensen Geoff Stewart Adam Couillard Kat Johnston Melissa Au Jenn Zaffino Crystal Crawford Lauren Stout Jeremy Gough Tyson Jones Jenn Gauthier Amy Snyder Crystal Krauss Rebecca Streit <u>Matt Seders</u> Amie Roy Dan Laplante

Total in Attendance (56)

Members in attendance (51)- Jay Ademek, Melissa Au, Leanne Carson, Ryan Carson, Stephanie Coish, Adam Couillard, Charlene Crooks, Lindsay Dunham, Kandace Fitzner, Chelsy Flegel, Darren Flegel, Micheal Ford, Tiffany Fossum, Drew Fossum, Kristopher Foucault, Jenn Gauthier, Shaun Gauthier, John Hawkins, Geoff Holmes, Brian Hurford, Dennis Inglis, Terri Jefferson, Pat Jefferson, Kat Johnston, Tyson Jones, Kirsty Judd, Crystal Krauss, Ryan Krauss, David Kromm, Dan LaPlante, Danielle McGregor, Tara McTavish, Zack Munir, Kyle Parkes, Jordan Shane, Laura Ploski, Serena Jorgensen, Jenny Sekulich, Mark Robinson, Daniel Robinson, Geoff Rollins, Amie Roy, Joel Rupprecht, Amy Spence, Shannon Taylor, Micheal Taylor, John Wienand, Courtney Wiendand, Jenny Wisby, Johnathan Wright, Jessy Yazinski

Non Members in Attendance (5)- Lindsay Graw, Amanda Germain, Jamie Steer, Daron Dumanski, Amy Snyder

Motion to approve IGM 2024 minutes as presented online at Okotokshockey.com First: Tyson Jones Second: Amie Roy All in Favor.





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President's Report- Geoff Rollins

- Acknowledgements
- Milestones and Growth
 - Program and Evaluation Enhancements
 - Successfully transitioned U11- U15 to Hybrid Evaluation Model (no predetermined groups)
 - 2nd successful of OMHA's new Skill Development Model
 - U9 Playoffs launched- overwhelmingly positive feedback
 - U13 Female tiering structure updated to align with elite OOAA development pathway
 - Player Safety and Growth
 - Expanded Safety and Personal Development Program
 - Financially stable association with continued player growth
- OMHA continues to grow with a strong foundation, innovative programming and a commitment to every players experience.
- Challenges
 - o Ice availability in Okotoks
 - Intro to Hockey Model
 - Volunteers- Recruitment, burn-out retention
- Graduating Players Female and Male
- All Division Players breakdown
- OMHA/OOAA Player/ Team Summary

Health and Safety- Kat Johnston, Krista Burton, Amy Snyder

- Please see AGM presentation

VP Coach Development- Ryan Carson

- Thank you to the 330+ carded coaches for a very successful season
- Highlights
 - The annual Coaches meeting had excellent attendance
 - Plan to expand from coaches feedback to turn the annual meeting into a coaching clinic- style event
 - Established a Coach Mentorship Program
 - Hired one specific mentor to help with boots on the ground, and plan to expand the program for the 2025-2025 season
 - Successful synergy between coaches and skill development vendors, with 100% positive feedback on the program from the coaches survey
 - Successful rollout of coach-only survey with 90% participation



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- Plans to include both Head Coach and Assistant Coach in the survey, as continuous feedback is valuable
- Parent- Coach surveys had high participation, with 93% positive feedback received
- o OMHA and OOAA coaches worked together to support coach development
 - Plans to expand the collaboration further next season
- \circ $\,$ Coach suspensions were down from the previous year $\,$
 - Looking to work closely with ORA to reduce even further
- Key takeaways from the season to improve on
 - o Affiliation Process
 - Needs better collaboration and communication among coaches
 - Assistant coaching mentorship
 - Need to focus on coach mentorship for Assistant Coaches and much as Head Coachers
 - Adding an innovative drill-sharing database
 - Allowing coaches to share drills and find ideas from one another
 - Continue to improve cross collaboration between OOAA and OMHA on Coach Mentorship sharing strategies.
 - Implementing coach-only surveys twice a year
- Female Coach of the Year- KIM WIWCHAR
- Mixed Coach of the Year- KYLE PARKES

VP Player Development- Tyson Jones

- Development Vendors
 - o 2024/ 2025 Skill Development Vendors
 - DMSG
 - Evolution Goaltending
 - Score Hockey
 - K and M Hockey Development
 - Hi- Tek Development
 - Built Strong Evolution
 - Coast to Coast
 - Aligned Hockey
 - Off Ice Hockey Lanes
 - On the Edge Power skating
- Skill based sessions will continue to be offered, this season we had defense specific, offensive tactics, power skating as some of the ice sessions. We are looking at getting more coach participation in these sessions as well- they fill up fast and this provides us the ability to get the information learned in these sessions to more athletes.



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- OMHA is very lucky to have the development vendor support, and we really are encouraged with the usage from all our age groups and teams.
- Goalie Liaison
 - We are looking to add a new position to the board to assist with all things goaltending.

Director of Programs- Adam Couillard

- Non-Parent evaluators in house evals were used and was generally successful.
 - Opportunity to improve evaluation matrices and provide guidelines for evaluators
- Changes to evaluations and division structure this year
 - U7- Modified to an A and B division
 - U7/ U9- Ranking changes from 1-5 scale and 1/10
 - \circ U13- House was changed from A and B into one division
 - U15- Travel evaluations structure changed to align with U11 and U13
- Lessons learnt from previous evaluations will be reviewed with upcoming board for opportunities for improvement
 - Timing between coach selection and team selection to be reviewed
 - Overlap of travel and house evaluations to be reviewed.
- Division and team structures is reviewed annually based on registration numbers
- New tournaments policy was implemented this year, capping teams at 3 tournaments
 - This policy will be maintained for the 2025/ 2026 season
 - Board will review making changes to the policy
 - Opportunity to improve roll-out at the coaches and managers meetings.

Treasurer- Amanda Germain

- Registration Highlights
 - 3% admin fee will continue to be added to credit card purchases to offset the credit card processing charges
 - Registration opens June 23 and closes July 20. Any registration received after registration closes are subject to a \$100 late administrative fee, and only as space allows
 - Payment on the deferral plan will be permitted with credit card registration only, 1/3 will be due on registration, 1/3 due August 1, remaining 1/3 due Sept 1.
 - Any payments not cleared by the credit card company will be subject to an additional administrative fee.
- 2025/ 2026 Season
 - The U9 jerseys were replaced in the 2024/ 2025 season. The U11/ U13 jerseys will be replaced for the 2025/ 2026 season and the U15 jerseys will be replaced during next season



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- Unfortunately, we are anticipating a substantial increase in carding costs for the upcoming season (of over 20%) which has led to a higher than usual increase in registration fees for the 2025/ 2026 season
- We are eligible for a Casino on Sept 22 and 23 at the Ace Casino Blackfoot. This provides an average \$60,000 in income that is used to offset registration fees. We will be sending out requests for volunteers later this summer. This is an important fundraiser for the association, please keep the dates available and volunteer for a shift.
- Fees by division
- Female Tournament Budget breakdown
- U13 Tournament Budget breakdown
- U7/ U9 Tournament Budget breakdown

Okotoks Referee Association- Mat Seders

- Please see AGM Presentation

OOAA President Report- Dan Laplante

- Please see AGM Presentation

Volunteer Appreciation Awards

- Manager of the Year Mixed- JAYNE RHOADS
- Manager of the Year Female- COBY FARRELLY
- Volunteer of the Year- DAVE REIDFORD
- Long Service Volunteer Award- REBECCA STREIT

Operations Coordinator- Jamie Steer

- Tune ups and Clinics
 - Tune-ups- for the 22nd year, we offered tune-ups to our younger age groups and house divisions to get them ready for the season. K2 hockey clinics hosted them and did a great job
 - Conditioning Camps- This past season we used Several vendors to run our preseason conditioning camps. These vendors became our preferred vendors for the season.
- Evaluations
 - Evaluators- For the 26th season in travel hockey, we used independent paid evaluators. We used Dave Marcoux for our goaltending evals.
 - Volunteers- We used in house volunteers to evaluate House and RHL levels.



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- Teams and Successes
 - o 35 Okotoks House League teams
 - 11 U7
 - 11 U9
 - 7 U11
 - 6 U13
 - o 7 RHL teams
 - 24 league teams (includes 16 CAHL and 10 RMFHL)
 - Provincials- Female U18 Tier 1 and U15 tier 2 represented OMHA at provincials.

Division Directors

- U7- Amie Roy
- U9- Jessy Yasinski
- U11 Travel- Crystal Krauss
- U11 House- Melissa Au
- U13 Travel- Danielle McGregor
- U13 House- Lauren Stout
- U15 Travel- Jenn Zaffino
- U15 RHL- Serena Jorgensen
- U16 Travel- Michelle Barratt
- U18 Travel- Michelle Barratt
- U18 RHL- Rebecca Streit
- Female Jr.- Crystal Crawford
- Female Sr.- Jennifer Dustow

Please see AGM Presentation for Division Director Reports

2025 AGM Positions Elections

President: Geoff Rollins 1st of 3 years served

VP of Coach Development- 2-year position 1st Call: 2nd Call: 3rd Call: Geoff Rollins- President for 2 more years, no vote required.



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VP of Coach Development: Ryan Carson filled the 3rd of 3 years by appointment

VP of Coach Development- 3-year position

1st Call: Geoff Rollins nominated Ryan Carson, Ryan Carson accepts 2nd Call: Chelsy Flegel nominates Pat Jefferson, Pat Jefferson accepts 3rd Call:

Ryan Caron- VP of Coach Development elected by majority vote

VP of Player Development: Tyson Jones filled the 2nd of 3 years by appointment

VP Player Development- 3 year position 1st Call: 2nd Call: 3rd Call: Tyson Jones- Completed 2nd of 3 years, no vote required

Director of Programs: Adam Couillard filled the 2nd of 2 years served by appointment

Director of Programs- 2 year position 1st Call: Joel Rupprecht nominated Adam Couillard, Adam Couillard accepts 2nd Call: 3rd Call: Adam Couillard- Director of Programs by acclimation

Secretary: Jenn Gauthier 1st of 2 years served

Secretary- 2 year position 1st Call: 2nd Call: 3rd Call: Jenn Gauthier- Secretary for 1 more year, no vote needed

U7 Director 1 year position

1st Call: Kat Johnston nominates Amie Roy, Amie Roy Accepts 2nd Call: 3rd Call: Amie Roy- U7 Director by acclimation

U9 Director 1 year position

1st Call: Jamie Dupuis nominates Jessy Yasinski, Jessy Yasinski accepts
2nd Call:
3rd Call:
Jessy Yasinski- U9 Director by acclimation

U11 House Director 1 year position

1st Call: Melissa Au nominates Tara McTavish, Tara McTavish accepts 2nd Call: 3rd Call: Tara McTavish- U11 House Director by acclimation



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U11 Travel Director 1 year position

1st Call: Dhara Jones nominates Crystal Krauss, Crystal Krauss accepts 2nd Call: Tara McTavish nominates Amy Spence, Amy Spence accepts 3rd Call: Crystal Krauss- U11 Travel Director elected by majority vote

U13 House Director 1 year position

1st Call: Sara Lindquist nominates Melissa Au, Melissa Au accepts
2nd Call:
3rd Call:
Melissa Au- U13 House Director by acclimation

U13 Travel Director 1 year position

1st Call: Kristy Nutter nominates Danielle McGregor, Danielle McGregor accepts 2nd Call: Jeremy Bridge nominates Danielle McGregor, Danielle McGregor accepts 3rd Call: Jamie Palmer- Hague nominates Danielle McGregor, Danielle McGregor accepts Danielle McGregor- U13 Travel Director by acclimation

U15 RHL Director 1 year position

1st Call: No nominations from the floor 2nd Call: 3rd Call: Vacant

U15 Travel Director 1 year position

1st Call: Geoff Rollins nominates Serena Jorgensen, Serena Jorgensen accepts 2nd Call:

3rd Call:

Serena Jorgensen- U15 Travel director by acclimation

U18 RHL Director 1 year position

1st Call: Terri Jefferson volunteers from the floor 2nd Call:
3rd Call:
Terri Jefferson- U18 RHL Director by acclimation

U18 Travel Director 1 year position

1st Call: Pat Jefferson volunteers from the floor 2nd Call: 3rd Call: Pat Jefferson- U18 Travel director by acclimation



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Jr Female Director 1 year position

1st Call: Rachel Lippit nominates Tiffany Fossum, Tiffany Fossum accepts 2nd Call: Crystal Crawford nominates Tiffany Fossum, Tiffany Fossum accepts 3rd Call: Tiffany Fossum- Jr. Female director by acclimation

Sr. Female Director 1 year position

1st Call: Tiffany Fossum nominates Jon Malin, Jon Malin declines nomination 2nd Call: 3rd Call: Vacant

Member questions from online form

- In the FAQ and manager information areas, it states that costs beyond registration can vary from a few hundred to over \$1000. We were on a House team and additional costs were well over \$1000. This was greatly different than the other teams. While I understand how sponsors work, I was not able to reason with our manager regarding ways to reduce costs. Would OMHA consider a limit on cash call/fundraising requirements for teams? This would help with budgeting for families that can barely afford hockey. Currently, it seems that team spending is at the discretion of the manager regardless of initial parent surveys. Alternatively, would OMHA consider a low-cost house team at each division for parents not able to keep up with the extras for team parties, apparel, and other extras?
- What is the plan for u9 moving forward? Would there be a possibility of having a team play in CAHL or at least making 3 a team's so they don't just have to play the same team again all year like they did this season?

Motion to adjourn-

First- Tyson Jones

2nd by Daron Dumanski

Meeting Adjourned at: 8:32PM