OOAA Board Meeting Thursday, June 25th, 2015-06-25

In Attendance:

Lee Watkins, Dean Trotter, Lee Hellyer, Darren Kondrat, Cindy Krebs, John Wilson, Randy Partaker, Brad Beebe, Sharlene Sylvestre, Matthew Potts

Minutes Approved from April 21st Board Meeting. Motion by Sharlene Sylvestre, seconded by Cindy Krebs

President's Report:

- Confirmed that there will be 2 PWAA and 2 MAA teams for the 2015/2016 season. Awards night was a great success, showcasing the successes on the ice. 2014/2015 season was also a win off the ice with minimal issues coming from the teams. This is a sign that we are moving in the right direction and thank you to all of the Board Members for being a part of this success.
- Many changes on the Board with new vacancies in Secretary/Ice Scheduler position with Lisa Theander stepping down and 2 Directors at Large vacant with Carol Nerland and Matthew stepping down. Lisa will finish ice schedule before her firm departure from the role. Lee Watkins is looking to step down as well, but will continue in the role until a candidate is found. Trevor's role may need adjusting as well as he has taken on the role of President for the CAHL. Randy is happy to stay on as Director at Large and will help out with Bantam Directorship as well.
- John and Brad to meet in the next couple of weeks to discuss breaking up or remodelling Board Positions necessary with the growth of the Association. All Division Directors will maintain their current positions and it was proposed that Lee Hellyer assist Trevor with the Midget Directorship.
- Will look at setting up a committee to deal with the potential application of a AAA team in Okotoks. Changes coming to Female AAA as of 2016/2017 season with HA mandates. Will need to apply for AAA teams and will have AA teams as well.
- Nomination of Lee Hellyer as Director at Large put forward by Lee Watkins, seconded by Cindy Krebs, all in favor.

Treasurer:

All teams are paid up from the 2014/2015 season.

VP Update:

We are the only Association this season that is experiencing growth. We have the ice we need and we have a lot of interest in our programs.

Registration:

Registration opened June 8th. There are 75 Tryout and 64 Conditioning Camp registrations to date. Question regarding player movement regarding return of Okotoks players from Foothills and regarding out of boundary registrations for AAA teams. Player movement at AAA level is not in our hands and needs to be dealt with at HA level. Midget players returning will be answered in SCAHL discussion.

Foothills AAA:

Bisons are in the process of interviewing for Head Coach, as Dan McDonald stepped down.

SCAHL:

- New LMHAs created with the changes to the Hockey Alberta model. Our application for 2 PWAA and 2 MAA teams has been accepted. There will be a North and South Division in the rural leagues, and we will have a PW, Bantam and Midget team in the South division and 1 PW and 1 Midget team in the North Division. These teams will only play one crossover game and could only meet again in the league final. No more provincials at AA level. Playoffs will be determined by a 4 day tournament in February in each of the 2 divisions. The two winners will play a 4 game series from March 3-6, playoff series must be finished by March 15th. We have applied to host one of the tournaments (all could work except for Bantam North, as we have no team in that Division). League fees increased from \$1500 to \$1650. Playoff cost is covered by the league. No games scheduled for Winter Games weekends.
- Bantam AA and Peewee AA start league on September 25th, Midget AA will start on October 1st.
 36 game schedule for Midget, 35 for Bantam and 34 for Peewee, plus as least 3 playoff games.
 45 teams in total. Greg Davenport needs ice schedule by August 1st. No All-Star Weekend.
 Midget Interlock still a go, Edge Interlock has been taken out.
- Tryouts must conclude by September 15th, and all cuts must be finished prior to October 1st.

Coach Director:

- All Coaches are firm with the exception of the 2nd MAA team.
- PW Black Greg Krebs, PW Green Geoff Rollins, Bantam AA Mike Glawson, Midget Black –
 Chris Williams, Midget Green TBD, Bantam Female Dan Tall, Midget Female Paul Pozzi

Game and Conduct: NTR

Peewee Director: Ice booked for Pre-Season Tourney.

Bantam Director: Mickey is looking to fill a vacant Assistant Coach position.

Midget: NTR

Bantam Female:

11 teams, season to start on September 25th. Ice needs to be into the league by July 1st. 30 game schedule. League fees are \$1800 this season. Hockey Alberta is working on reformatting the Female league as currently too many girls playing Elite Hockey in Alberta (22%). AA teams will be introduced in 2016/2017 season. This applies to both Bantam and Midget leagues.

Midget Female:

9 teams, season to start on October 2nd. Ice needs to be in to league by July 1st. 32 game schedule.

New Business:

- John confirmed that practice jerseys and game socks have been ordered. Game jersey set for 2nd
 Midget team has also been ordered
- Going forward, name bars will be allowed on the AAA jerseys but not the AA jerseys. 3rd jersey option is up to team, at team cost. Will not mandate the apparel that the teams go with, but need to make sure that they are using acceptable logos, John will need to approve anything outside of the 2 accepted logos.
- Policy and Procedure manual is very close to final draft. Randy will be doing some final changes and be sending it out for one more look. Will approve final draft at next Board Meeting.
- O Discussion on having? Olynyk on contract to work with our teams. Brad proposed that he submit a proposal and we revisit when received.

Next Meeting – August 11th.

Meeting adjourned at 8:53.