



OOAA Board Meeting Minutes- March 12, 2025

Called to Order: pm by Dan Laplante

Motion to approve Minutes of February 12th board meeting

1st

2nd

All in favor

Welcome

Attendance

Dan Laplante

Rob Ellis

Tony Fairfield

Kathleen Dengler

Michelle Barratt

Dave Hayes

Sine McDonald

Katie Goulard

Nicole Brockhoff

Candice Wyma

Tamara Spencer

Jamie Steer

Diane Bjornson

Kari Meyer

Lindsay Graw

Sine Macdonald

Grant Farion

Scott Harding

Ben Graham

Melissa Deplaedt

Geoff Rollins

Jennifer Dustow

Mark Pederson

Reports

President – Dan Laplante

- Coach Exit interviews underway
- Coach Director to update Coaching appointments and process
- Parent surveys were completed and data included in Coach exit interviews
- Year end team and association awards submitted
- RFQ for Skills, goalie, video and academic presentations this week
- OOAA to post for any applicable Head coaching positions
- Roster Size for U15AA Raiders 17min (15 skaters / 2 goalies) // 20 max (18 skaters / 2 goalies) – final roster size with Head coach input and board oversight

- OMHA intent is to manage Hockey operations of U11AA Team once approved by Membership via bylaw change.
- Would there be an appetite from OMHA if OOAA amended the OOAA fair play policy for U11AA if that is a concern?
G Rollins, OMHA would be open/welcome more conversation around the team. Rollins will go back to the Executive and ask.
Rollins will discuss potentially sending out a survey to the membership regarding keeping it in OMHA or moving to OOAA.
- U15AA Oilers advance to Provincials Mar 20 -23rd hosted by Calgary Buffaloes
- U18AA Raiders advance to play Calgary Fire Red in best of 3
- U17AAA Oilers hosting provincials April 3rd to 6th
- Dec Casino gross revenue in excess of \$65,000.00 – Treasurer to update
- Registration for Spring evals closes mid month – we will be looking for creative ways to make the tryouts as competitive as possible given ice limitations
- Parent / player meetings to be scheduled as part Spring evaluations due to commitment component
- Registration Policy of one stream to mirror image OMHA
- Press release from Foothills / Bisons AA in regards to U13AAA /AA evals collaborative approach
- Year end awards banquet – Tues March 25th – Division Directors please remind your coaches
- Preseason tournament planning has started. All teams have been invited.
- Airdrie's Ron Ebbeson arena is expected to be closed until Oct 15th due to renovations. They have asked OOAA to host U15AA and U18AA preseason tournaments for one season due to the ice shortage.
- Tournaments for all teams for all teams during the 25-26 season has begun. Expressions of interests sent out and emails sent.

Coach Director- Mark Pederson

RFP presentations start tomorrow

3 candidates for U13AAA- Greg Krebs selected

2 candidates for U13AA Raiders- Tony Fairfield, AC Josh Harding.

U15AA Raiders, exit interview went well. Mark Hallam back

U16AA Oilers, John Shaw asked to come back.

U18AAA Raiders, Dave Addison back for his 2nd of 3 year contract

U18AA Oilers, Rob Hale will let the Committee know by Sunday if he is coming back

U18AAA Bowmark- Mark back for 2nd of 3 years

U15AAA Oilers, Daron Dumanski back, had the best parent feedback survey. Does a lot for OOAA.

U15AA Oilers interview set for Monday.

U17AAA and U18AA Oiler exit interviews will happen once their season ends

Secretary- Jennifer Dustow

Attended Coach exit interviews, busy with planning for next season

Geoff Rollins OMHA President-

OMHA approved a new registration policy.

When registering for the upcoming season, families must select either the Mainstream Stream or the Female Stream. Once registration is complete and a player is placed in either stream, the player is required to remain within that selected stream for the entirety of the season.

U13 Female OMHA will next year be U13AA Raiders, U13A and then U13B for the 25-26

Hockey Alberta is decentralizing the ORA. OMHA will have to absorb the ORA, payroll, assigning.

HA intent is to have all elite referees Provincially assigned

OMHA will keep U11AA if passed by the membership at a special meeting.

Admin- Lindsay Graw

Registration for the Spring tryouts closes on March 16th.

Cancelled U15, U18 Raiders skills sessions in Chestermere in April due to low registration numbers

OOAA covers March Coach honorariums. Telpay sent for U15AAA, U18AA Oilers, U15AA Raiders, U16AA Oilers.

Daytime teams used less electricity in the storage lockers. As a result, if the lockers are left clean, they will receive a \$700.00 refund.

Rob Ellis-

U18AAA- finished 3rd highest ever, lost in 1st round

U17AAA- Hosting Provincials, playoff round 1 starts this weekend. Finished 3rd.

Michelle Barratt-

U15AAA – Season over, lost in a 3 game

U15AA- Won the South, heading to Provincials in Calgary

Motion to approve \$2500.00 for Provincials, all in favor, passed

2nd Grant

Candice Wyma

U13AA Oilers – Med Hat playoffs

Season over

New HC Greg Krebs announced

AC Tyler Hilbert

U13AA Raiders – Season over, but scored more goals in one game than they had all season

New HC Tony Fairfield announced

AV Josh Harding

Nicole Brockhoff

U15AA Raiders- lost to Fire Black in round 1

Season Over

HC for 25-26 Mark Hallam

Tamara Spencer- U18AA Raiders, U18AAA Raiders

U18AAA Raiders- Season over, finished 7th out of 8th. Lost to St Albert in playoffs.
7 out of 8 graduating players received offers for Post Secondary.

U18AA Raiders – Finished 5th

Won first round of the playoffs against Red Deer, round 2 starts this week

Madilyn Juneau was player of the Month for February and had a record 7 Shut Outs

Nice email from a linesman during the game as a thank you for Dave Hayes and the teams trainer.

Nice email from Red Deer manager thanking the team for their Professionalism.

Katie Goulard- U16AA and U18AA Oilers

Sean Milford - Humanitarian of the Month -wonderful dedication to supporting a young athlete with autism

U18AA squad finished 3-1 in the regional round robin playoffs, earning a spot in the semi-finals where they faced off against the EK Avalanche. Unfortunately, they came up short in that match and their season came to an end. Coach Rob Hale expressed great pride in the team's performance, leadership, and the strong bond they showed throughout the playoffs

U16AA -team took down the Wheatland Raiders in the regional round robin playoffs, finishing in first place and earning a spot in the South Division 3-game series against Red Deer. The Oilers came out on top in game one with a 4-3 win, but fell in the next two games in tightly contested battles. The coaches were incredibly proud of the boys' grit, tenacity, and determination, not just during the playoffs, but all season long.

Equipment- Diane Bjornson

Jerseys been ordered twice

30 bins of tryout jerseys at Murray Arena. Need 3 helpers

June is end date need her replacement by then.

Season order has been placed for game jerseys.

27 of 35 grads purchased jerseys

Equipment return email sent out.

Storage unit codes get changed in April

Year End Banquet- Jennifer Dustow

Need an MC

Details being finalized.

Need any additional items for the pamphlet

Sine Macdonald- Safety going well.

Spring evaluation Afs are on stand by

Grant Farion- RFP for skills, video and academic. Presentations set up for this Thursday.

Registration Policy for OAAA proposed and passed

Ben Graham opposed.

Rest in favor

Kari Meyer-

Social media accounts will be closed and passwords will be changed after the after the awards banquet.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:14 pm

1st Michelle Barratt

2nd Rob Ellis