

PMHA Minutes

Tuesday August 13th 2019

- 1) Call to order: 7:11pm.
- 2) Attendees: Brent McCracken, Brittany Tremblay, Jacqueline Smith, Pamela Ekroth, Kristina Ewen, Krystal Alston, Kevin Volk, Luke Van Dyk and Suzanne Williams.
- 3) Additions to the Agenda/Adopt Agenda:
 - Add "League" as subsection "g" under New Business.
 - Krystal made a motion to adopt the agenda, Brittany 2nd.
- 4) Review of the minutes from last meeting (June 25th 2019):
 - Under "New Business, (b) Coach Incentives, subsection (ii), please add "if a person is a coach and a board member, they will only be entitled to one discount for registration fee's the following season."
 - Brittany made a motion to adopt the minutes, Kris 2nd.
- 5) Correspondence
 - a) Two cheques came back, one NSF and one was cancelled.
 - b) Financial statements have been given to the auditors.
 - c) Bank sent notification about banking fees. PMHA is now entitled to more free monthly transactions. Fee's for excess transactions have decreased from \$1.25 to \$0.85.
- 6) Old Business
 - a) Player requesting refund
 - i) Brent contacted the family of the player requesting a refund. They have decided to keep their child in Peewee and see how things go for him/her.
 - ii) This player is not included in current registration numbers.
 - b) Coach Incentives
 - Made adjustments to last meetings minutes, see above.

7) New Business

a) Registration Numbers

i) Kristina provided a new list of registrants, players requesting to play underage, volunteers and families with expired Respect In Sport training.

Learn To Play	6
Initiation	17
Novice	25 or 26
Atom	18
Peewee	16
Bantam	9
Midget	5

ii) Learn to Play

-Last year the Saturday morning practices were being underutilized. Learn to Play will change to one ½ hour weekday practice and will share this ice with Initiation. Need to check the updated SOP's to see what was indicated for Learn to Play practice hours.

iii) Initiation

- Registration numbers are expected to increase since 1st year players have an extended registration deadline. Will likely have 2 teams. Initiation players can affiliate to Novice this year without any restrictions.

iv) Novice

- With this years format being 4 on 4 half-ice, NAI has recommended teams of 8-13 maximum, divided by skill level.
- We will play with 3 Novice teams this year, using initiation affiliates when required and teams will be fluid.

- Dale Druar will evaluate the players and divide them into 3 teams based on skill level. We will aim to have 1 team in Level 2 (previously tier 3/4) and 2 teams in Level 3 (previously tier 5/6)
- All three teams will practice together with one head coach organizing and running the practice.
- Ice times: 1 weeknight practice and 1 Saturday morning practice for 1 hour each.

v) Atom

- Currently sitting at 18 with 4 Novice players requesting to play underage. Hockey Alberta will not allow us to move up all of the players for the sole purpose of making 2 Atom teams. Any players moving up would still have to be in the top 50% of the team they are moving up to. We would need prior approval from Hockey Alberta.
- Registration is being capped at 18 and a waiting list will be started.
- Mayerthorpe Minor Hockey is currently at 21 Atoms (17 players and 4 goalies). If there is interest, consideration would be given to releasing some players to join Mayerthorpe.
- Tryouts are mandatory, players get 4 practice skates and then 3 evaluations.

vi) Peewee

- Currently have 16 registered and 3 more who are requesting a payment plan to delay total payment until Christmas.
- The team will be capped at 16 with spots reserved for those players who have submitted full payment. There will be a waiting list in effect.

vii) Bantam

- Currently at 9 with some of those players trying out at higher levels.
- We will not have enough players to make a team.

- Drayton currently has 32 players.
- Mayerthorpe currently has 11 players and 2 goalies.
- Luke made a motion for Brent to contact Mayerthorpe to see if we can amalgamate our two teams and negotiate the details, Jacqueline 2nd. All in favor, none opposed.

viii) Midget

- Currently have 5 players registered.
- Drayton has 22 Midgets.
- Mayerthorpe has 4 Midgets.
- Luke made a motion to release all of our Midget players, and refund the one player who has paid, Krystal 2nd. All in favor, none opposed.

b) Coaches – the coaches will be chosen prior to the start of the 2019/20 season. If there is more than one applicant per position, the coach will be chosen via interview process with a panel.

i) Learn to Play – Head Coach is Clint Rose.

ii) Initiation – 2 volunteers and 2 teams. Aaron Hofmann and Luke Tuttle will each Head Coach a team.

iii) Novice – There will be one Head Coach for all 3 teams as stated above. Five volunteers were interested. Aaron Hofmann and Clint Rose are already Head Coaches of other levels so they will not be taken into consideration. Lee Hicks, Brent McCracken and Darren Raymond will be interviewed by a panel of 3 non-biased past or present board members: Dale Druar, Pam Ekroth and Jacqueline Smith. The interview date will take place prior to the start of the season. Date is still to be determined.

iv) Atom – Brittany Tremblay is the Head Coach.

v) Peewee – 3 volunteers are interested. Jason Tremblay, Mike Tobias and Dennis Roberge will be interviewed by a panel of 3 non-biased past or present board members: Krystal Alston, Brent McCracken and Clint Rose. The interview date will take place prior to the start of the season. Date is still to be determined.

vi) Bantam - To be determined following negotiations with Mayerthorpe.

vii) Midget - No longer applicable.

c) Fundraising/Budgets

i) The year end report has been completed. We are currently sitting at \$-3,300. Without the casino fundraiser we would be \$-24,000. Last year our ice fees were equivalent to our profit from registrations.

ii) Referee costs increased to \$14,000 this past season. This number is expected to decrease since we will no longer have a midget team. We would like a list of all kids who are interested in being a referee so that Dale Hofmann knows who to get in touch with.

iii) The Atom team is the only team in the negative. (\$-700.00 from this year and \$-1000.00 from the previous season.)

- We have not received paperwork outlining the details of funds raised by this team and how they were allocated.

- The Atom team raised funds through a raffle (with Novice) and Mom's Pantry, but there has only been one deposit made. Brittany thinks that the Atom team raised approximately \$3-5,000 from selling Mom's Pantry.

- Some of the funds may have gone towards purchasing gifts for the Novice coaches.

- Brittany and Luke will follow up to find out what is missing and make sure that all of the proper AGLC paperwork was filled out for the raffle.

iv) Kevin made a motion that from now on there will be no individual team fundraisers, and instead all fundraisers will be for the entire Association, Krystal 2nd.

- The board will need to approve the fundraiser. We will need to raise approximately \$15,000/year.

- The treasurer will not issue any cheques without board approval.

- Cara will have a meeting with all team managers and Brent will have a meeting with all coaches to discuss these details.
- Each team will still be entitled to one away tournament. Novice and Initiation may participate in up to 3 Jamboree's. Cara will no longer be planning the Initiation Jamboree and would like to pass it on to someone else.
- Teams can still host a tournament approved by the board but they will have to organize it themselves.

d) Goalie Training – table until next meeting.

e) Camps/Training

- i) Received one more registration for the preseason camp.
- ii) Preseason camp will likely change to a 2 day camp only (Sat. & Sun.)
- iii) Need to consider switching dates for the Option 1/Option 2 Conditioning camps, previously set as September 29th, October 20th and November 17th. We would like to consider September 22nd, October 5th & 6th instead. Brent will follow up with Kevin and Matt Gorman to find a solution.
- iv) Currently Matt is scheduled to start October 3rd and will be at the Arena from 7:00-9:15 on Thursdays. Last year our costs for Matt Gorman were \$15,000. \$5,000 of that was covered by grants. Still need to determine a budget for training. We will have to see what happens with our Bantam's.
- v) Cara will follow up with the Coach Training Seminar. (Tentatively scheduled for October 4th from 6:30-9:30.)

f) Equipment (Jersey's/Goalie Equipment)

- i) We may not have enough Jersey's for our Novice players, and will have to borrow from Initiation.
- ii) We will require another set of goalie equipment for Novice because we will have three teams this year. One possibility may be to use the old Atom gear if it is the correct size.

iii) We need a complete list of inventory from Amy including sizes of goalie equipment to make a decision. Suzanne will contact Amy and request an updated list.

iv) Cara would like to request that all players be required to purchase their own game socks from now on. There have been discrepancies in the past and people taking socks from bins that don't belong to them.

v) We will have Jackie McKinnon send out a reminder to hockey parents that if they would like to purchase name bars, they need to contact Family Clothing in Evansburg as soon as possible to avoid any delays.

g) League

i) There is an NAI league meeting on September 7th/19 at noon in Fort Saskatchewan. Luke, Brent and possibly Brittany will attend. They will have to bring a cheque for league fees to the meeting.

ii) We will host a Governors meeting September 14th/19 either upstairs at the Arena or at Trestle Creek at 11:00. Luke is unable to attend so Brittany will attend in his place.

9) Committee Reports

a) President – pass

b) Vice President – not present

c) Ice Scheduler – Jacqueline will have a meeting with Brent to discuss ice times/schedules.

d) Game/Conduct – left meeting early

e) Equipment Manager – not present

f) Publicity Director – not present

g) Communications Director – not present

h) Fundraising Coordinator – not present

i) League Rep – pass

j) Registrar – Emma Pearson is requesting a refund for registration and camp fees as she has chosen not to play this year. Approved.

k) Referee Coordinator – not present

- l) Hockey Development – left meeting early
 - m) Secretary – pass
 - n) Treasurer – We have received a bill for the RAMP website licensing fee of \$630.00. Luke made a motion to pay all bills, Kristina 2nd.
- 10) Meeting adjourned at 10:25pm by Brent, Suzanne 2nd.
- 11) Next meeting – Tuesday September 10th/19, 7:00pm at Trestle Creek Golf Resort.