

## **PMHA Minutes**

Tuesday May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019

- 1) Call to order: 7:46pm
- 2) Attendees: Brent McCracken, Krystal Alston, Jacqueline Smith, Pam Ekroth, Jackie McKinnon, Kevin Volk, Cara Nagy, Kristina Ewen, Brittany Tremblay and Suzanne Williams.
- 3) Additions to the Agenda:
  - Cara Nagy requested that online payment be added to banking.
- 4) Adoption of the Agenda:
  - Jacqueline Smith made a motion, Kevin Volk 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- 5) Review of minutes from last meeting (April 12<sup>th</sup>/19): completed online
  - Suzanne Williams noted that the “Ryan Woloszyn Award” should actually be the “Reagan Woloszyn Award”
- 6) Adoption of last meetings minutes:
  - Jackie McKinnon made a motion, Brittany Tremblay 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- 7) Correspondence:
  - A bill from Family Clothing for awards, requesting prompt payment.
  - A couple of new registrations for the 2019/20 season. These have already been added to the current totals.
  - Received and processed payment for a player from Drayton Valley for the previous season.
  - The Alberta Government had requested a list of officers and/or directors on March 29<sup>th</sup> 2019 stating incomplete filing. The requested information has been sent.
  - Jackie McKinnon will take over the mail key from Cara Nagy.
- 8) Old Business:
  - a) Auditors: Jen Adam and Charlene Morrison have not received the required information from the accountant yet. The auditing process typically occurs at the end of August.
  - b) Lexan – has been ordered, no issues.

- Cara Nagy will look into the 5"x7" team photos and poster that were not received. She will also inquire about booking for next year. There was positive feedback about the photographer, but some were disappointed in the products and packages. The photographer that Mayerthorpe MHA used is another option (based out of Whitecourt.)

c) Hockey Nets: The extra set of big nets have arrived, but PARS still needs the written request for them. Suzanne will send this letter. The small nets for initiation still need to be ordered.

d) Reagan Woloszyn Award:

- Have fallen behind on engraving in the past few years.
- Cara suggested that we start fresh on the existing plaque with the 2018/19 season. She offered to look into engraving.
- Cara will contact Ryan Woloszyn to determine how family would like this award to be recognized.

9) New Business:

a) i) Bank/Signing Authority:

- Current members with signing authority are Clint Rose, Jacqueline Smith, Theresa Druar, Cara Nagy, Dale Hofmann and Erin Hicks.
- Brent will set up an appointment at the bank to change the members with signing authority to: Brent McCracken (replacing Clint Rose), Krystal Alston (replacing Theresa Druar), Jacqueline Smith, Cara Nagy, and Dale Hofmann. Erin Hicks to be removed from having signing authority.
- Cara made a motion to update signing authority on the account, Krystal 2<sup>nd</sup>.

ii) Online payments: Theresa Druar is working on getting RAMP set up for online payments, Jackie will follow up with her.

b) Registration Numbers:

i) As of May 28<sup>th</sup> the registration numbers are:

Learn to Play	4
Initiation	12
Novice	17
Atom	11
PeeWee	8
Bantam	4
Midget	4

- These numbers are expected to rise.
- Players must register in their appropriate age category. Those who registered in the wrong category will be refunded accordingly and their child will be registered based on their age.
- According to SOP's – players may only move up a level based on skill and not for the purpose of making 2 teams. Those moving up need to be evaluated and determined to be in the top 50% of players in the category they are moving up to.
- If a registrant is trying out for a higher level (ie. AAA team), a spot will only be saved for them at PMHA if they have paid in full by the registration deadline.
- Respect In Sport needs to be renewed every 4 years and is a pre-requisite to registering.

ii) Bantam/Midget

- Lots of expected players have yet to register
- Brent spoke with Drayton Minor Hockey who won't know their registration numbers until the end of June. Mayerthorpe is close to having a team, so this is another potential option for our association.
- Better communication regarding practice locations & ice times are required if combining with another association again.
- Some players still haven't paid fees for the 2018/19 season. These players won't be released until payment is received.

iii) Camp Registration

- Option 1: 4 players (2<sup>nd</sup> yr PeeWee, Bantam, Midget)
  - Option 2: 11 players (Novice, Atom, 1<sup>st</sup> yr PeeWee)
  - Preseason MCN Camp: 31 players
- Jacqueline made a motion to open up registration for option 1, Krystal 2<sup>nd</sup>. Brent will contact Mayerthorpe & Drayton Associations.

iv) Hockey Alberta has online help & webinars for training new Registrar's. Kristina will look into this.

c) NAI AGM – Cara attended this meeting and the main points are:

i) Referee's

- working on making a 3 man ref system mandatory for Bantam/Midget.
- There was previously lots of abuse/complaints in Tier 1-3.
- NAI will be more flexible with smaller associations due to lack of resources.

ii) A few associations have left NAI. (Stony Plain and Sturgeon)

iii) Ice Scheduling:

- If we choose not to play on Remembrance Day or Family Day, this needs to be added to the schedule from the start.
- Every association MUST supply 1 ice slot on Sunday between 10am and 1pm.
- Will try to give 1 weekend off a month, and instead play 2-3 games on another weekend.
- Visiting teams are NOT eligible for game change requests.
- Can no longer play home games in a different arena. (May not "meet in the middle" anymore.)
- Each team is only allowed **2** blackout dates (down from 4)

- No blackouts allowed during tiering.
- Cannot cancel games due to cold/wind chill. If the roads are ok, the game will be played.
- If a game is cancelled less than 24 hours from the start time both teams will split the costs incurred by the home team.
- NAI has a scholarship for graduating Midget players who will be attending a post-secondary educational institution. There are currently very few applicants taking advantage of this opportunity.
- There will be an NAI schedule for Novice in 2019/20.

#### iv) Affiliation

- You can never use more players in a game than you have on your roster.
- NAI website has a chart to show where players are to be affiliated.
- Players considered to be “game changers” may not be allowed to affiliate up one level but instead may have to go up an additional level. (ie. A “game changer” from Novice would affiliate to PeeWee instead of Atom.)
- NAI will not take requests for overage players in Midget unless they are playing as a goalie.

#### d) Coach Training

- Brent would like coaches to participate in training to ensure consistency in coaching.
- Hockey Alberta offers free coach training, but the association must pay for ice time.
- Hockey Alberta recommends that each association appoints a “coach evaluator” to observe practices and perform tasks such as counting

passes, puck touches, shots & recording actual skating time. This will provide coaches with constructive feedback.

- Hockey Alberta has a course in August to train coach evaluators.
- Kevin made a motion to pay up to \$300 to find and train a coach evaluator, Brittany 2<sup>nd</sup>. Jackie will send an e-mail to the board.
- Kevin suggested that PMHA should offer incentives to coaches for volunteering and training. Tabled until next meeting.

e) Safety

- Hockey Alberta recommends that each association appoint a safety person.
- Cara made a motion to combine "Safety" with "Game & Conduct", Kristina 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- There are online safety courses available.

f) Changes to the Game (from Hockey Alberta)

- i) - Transgender change rooms need to be available at each arena.
  - The Evansburg Arena will be utilizing one half of the girls change room for this purpose and will be properly labeled.
  - Need to add to the SOP's for next year.
- ii) Atoms – non-negotiable changes for 2020/21 season
  - 3 formal tryout sessions (tournament style)
  - Players must get 4 ice times prior to tryouts
  - Tryouts cannot occur during the 1<sup>st</sup> week of school
  - Off-ice sessions are recommended for Atom level
  - PMHA will start implementing these changes this year

g) Update SOP's

- i) Learn-to-play and Initiation are not limited by PMHA to a certain number of games. Follow Hockey Alberta guidelines instead.

ii) SOP's should state our options when we don't have adequate registration numbers, including the associations that we may consider as options to amalgamate with and what type of arrangement should be expected.

iii) Dale and Clint Rose have hard copies of the SOP's. Brent recommends that all board members read it thoroughly.

## 10) Committee Reports

a) President – Brent would like to remind everyone the best interest of ALL kids be kept in mind when making decisions.

b) Vice President – pass

c) Treasurer – Krystal made a motion to pay the bills received in the mail, Cara 2<sup>nd</sup>.

d) Fundraising Coordinator – not present

e) Game & Conduct/Safety – pass

f) Equipment Manager – not present

g) Publicity – not present

h) Ice Scheduler – fire/smoke detectors were installed under the stands in the cages, previous locks were forcefully removed. PARS requests that two locks be used so that the areas can be accessed by both PARS and PMHA. Combination locks will be used for the goalie equipment cage. Pond hockey will not be given access to equipment or lock combinations. Only Janice and Jacqueline from PARS will have the combinations.

i) League Rep – Brittany will look into power skating and send info to Kevin.

j) Registrar – One parent has requested that her two children be placed on the same team. This decision will be tabled until final numbers and teams are determined.

k) Communications – Amy and Jackie have uploaded a goalie equipment rental form to the website. Applicants will fill out the form and submit it to Amy.

l) Ref Coordinator – not present

m) Hockey Development – Need someone to take over goalie training for the association, ideally twice monthly. Tabled until next meeting. Matt Gorman is on stand by based on numbers. Brent requested training for Novice at least once per month and would like to see more coach involvement during these training sessions with Matt. Matt would like all head coaches to participate.

n) Secretary – pass

o) Past President – not present

11) Meeting Adjourned at 9:52pm by Brent, Suzanne 2<sup>nd</sup>.

12) Next meeting: June 25<sup>th</sup>/19, 7:00pm at Trestle Creek Golf Resort.