

PMHA Minutes

Tuesday September 10th 2019

1) Call to order: 7:05pm.

2) Attendees:

Board Members: Brent McCracken, Cara Nagy, Krystal Alston, Kristina Ewen, Jacqueline Smith, Jackie McKinnon, Carannda Raymond, Pamela Ekroth, Clint Rose, Dale Hofmann, Brittany Tremblay, Sandy Pariseau and Suzanne Williams.

Non-Board Members: Luke Van Dyk, Brandy Rose, Clayton Seely, Mike Tobias and Christina Tobias.

3) Additions to the Agenda/Adopt Agenda:

- Add "Pictures" as subsection (b) under New Business.
- Jackie McKinnon made a motion to adopt the agenda, Brittany 2nd.

4) Review of the minutes from last meeting (August 13th 2019):

- Brandy made a motion to adopt the minutes, Brittany 2nd.

5) Correspondence:

- Received bank statements and one NSF cheque.
- A notice that one player is requesting to be released from our association.
- Brent McCracken was in touch with Erin Hicks (last season's manager of the Atom team) to resolve issues surrounding missing funds and paperwork addressed at the previous meeting. Everything has been sorted out. The 2018/19 Atom team was issued a cheque for a tournament that they did not attend and the cheque was never cancelled.

6) Old Business

a) Registration Numbers

i) Kristina provided a current list of registrants for the regular season as well as for the upcoming MCN Camps (24) and Pre-season Conditioning Camps (37). Some players are still waiting to be released from their previous associations but have been accounted for.

Learn To Play	6
Initiation	21 + waiting on 1 transfer to be completed = 22
Novice	26 + waiting on 1 transfer to be completed = 27
Atom	18 + waiting on 1 transfer to be completed = 19
Peewee	20 + waiting on 1 transfer to be completed = 21
Bantam	12 (transferring 1 player out to Leduc) = 11
Midget	8

*One player is requesting to play as an overage Bantam instead of Midget, but the numbers will not allow it at this time.

*Registration numbers had previously been capped for Atom and Peewee, but it was decided that our association should not turn away any kids wanting to play hockey.

*Next year the registration forms should have a spot to indicate player position, or if a player is interested in being a goalie.

ii) Peewee

- We now have enough for two small teams.
- There will be tryouts for any 2nd year Atom kids who would like to play as underage Peewee's. (This will help with numbers in both Atom and Peewee divisions.)
- Teams will be divided based on skill and our President would like to see 13 kids on each team.
- Teams need to be determined prior to the first preseason game on October 4th.
- A group of 2-3 non-biased people will be selected to divide the teams, parents and coaches will not be involved. Dale Hofmann, Clint Rose, Clayton Seely and Brent McCracken are good candidates to observe tryouts and divide the teams.
- Currently have two players committed to playing as goalie, and one player who may be interested in playing goalie

sometimes. Mayerthorpe Minor Hockey might have three goalies and could potentially consider releasing one to play for PMHA.

iii) Bantam

- Current registration numbers are suitable for a team and we are no longer going to negotiate an amalgamation with Mayerthorpe Minor Hockey.

iv) Midget

- Will no longer be releasing our Midget players to play in other associations since we have received more registrations.

b) Coaches – criminal record checks have to be completed by all coaches every three years.

i) Learn To Play – Melanie Drake has her level one coaching certificate and would like to help out.

ii) Novice – Erin Hicks confirmed with Brent that Lee Hicks is no longer interested in being Head Coach for Novice.

iii) Atom – Brittany Tremblay was previously listed as Head Coach but this may change if her child chooses to tryout for Peewee. She will continue to coach Atom practices for the time being.

iv) Peewee – Head Coaches will be decided after the teams are split. Mike Tobias and Jason Tremblay will alternate running practices for the time being. Lee Hicks has now expressed interest in the Head Coach position.

v) Bantam – currently no one has expressed interest in coaching. If parents are not going to volunteer, maybe there are some young adults who may consider helping out.

vi) Midget – Clayton Seely will be the Head Coach.

* For the first couple of weeks (until tryouts happen) all players need to attend the practices for their appropriate age group.

c) Fundraising/Budgets

i) Once an ice schedule is decided upon and final registrations are received (for new players to our association) we will be able to determine how much money is left to pay for referees, hockey development and other costs. We will then have a better idea of how much money needs to be raised through fundraising initiatives (most likely around \$30,000). PMHA ran a deficit last year so either spending cuts have to be made or we need to raise more funds. All fundraising needs prior approval by the Board.

ii) Fun Casino

- Scheduled for February 8th/20.
- Carannda needs to book the dealers/venue, etc.
- In the previous two years has been very successful bringing in about \$8-10,000.

iii) Hockey Development

- Matt Gorman will now be coming about every second week on Tuesdays. He will work with teams on a rotating schedule. For example, he will work with Novice and Bantam one week and then Atom and Pee wee at his next visit. The two Pee wee teams will share this ice time together.

iv) Referees

- Fees have increased at every level.
- Novice games will cost \$20/game for referees.
- Dale would like to see some type of security for our referees and has requested that PARS install some type of barrier to prevent people from coming into contact with the refs at their room.

v) Registration fees

- We need to consider raising registration fees for the upcoming 2020/21 season. Our neighboring associations charge at least \$100 more at every age level.

v) Equipment

- Socks – suggested that each player pay for their own.
- Pucks – we are losing a lot of pucks that are owned by the association. Brent has suggested that each team get a puck bag and their own pucks to look after and bring to games and practices. Brent suggested that we try to get pucks donated. Suzanne is going to draft a request letter and follow up. Amy is working on a current inventory list for us.

vi) Sign Boards

- Renewals start January 1st.
- Some of the current boards need to come down.
- Current prices: \$250 for the first year (discounted) and \$500/year the following years.

vii) Donation Packages

- Last year when Cara was the fundraising coordinator she had suggested that we offer donation levels/packages and ask businesses for their support once per year, instead of multiple times. Although this suggestion was previously rejected, there is a lot of interest from our current board members.
- Cara will meet with Carannda to pass on all of this information and help her to make a plan going forward.

viii) Other Ideas:

- Oilers/Flames Alumni Game on March 28th/20
 - Clayton Seely is on the committee for this event and has suggested that we consider it as a fundraising opportunity. The team that sells the most tickets to the game will play the alumni between the 1st and 2nd periods.
- Oil Kings/Oilers Fundraising
 - Cara will forward this information to the team managers.
- CFCW Critters Game (Hosted this about 3 or 4 years ago)

d) Camps

- i) Registration is now closed. Numbers aren't as high as expected so we need to make changes to stay within budget.
- ii) Brent will contact Matt Gorman and Kevin Volk to determine a new schedule and once it is determined all families who have registered will be contacted. Those that can no longer attend due to schedule conflicts will be refunded. Camps will still focus on power skating and puck handling/shooting skills.
- iii) Players will only be charged \$125 for Option 1 & 2 MCN Camps now since we are decreasing the ice/instruction time. Families will be refunded if they have already paid the full price.
- iv) The orders for MCN Camp jerseys have not been placed. Brent will find out if we are able to get them on time. If we cannot get the jerseys in time for the camp families who pre-ordered them will be refunded.
- v) Matt Gorman has scheduled separate ice times for each age category for the preseason conditioning camp. We will have to condense these groups as well to stay within budget.
- vi) Goalies may attend camps at no cost for additional practice but will not receive any formal training.

e) Equipment

i) Goalie Equipment

- Novice needs another full set of equipment. Clayton Seely is going to try and find a set.
- Peewee – two of the goalies own their own equipment, and Clayton Seely has another set for them to use as well.

ii) Jersey's

- Awaiting a complete inventory list.
- Novice – need to reorder a #17 in orange as it was stolen last year. There are 27 players and a few already have their own

jerseys. We can borrow from initiation since they have an excess of jerseys this year.

- Pee wee's may have to borrow some jerseys from the Bantam team this year.

7) New Business

a) Goalie Training

i) Kevin Volk is not in attendance for the meeting.

ii) Brent will speak with Mayerthorpe Minor Hockey about goalie camps. They offer cheap camps and bring in a coach from Edmonton. We could potentially schedule something on a week night.

b) Pictures

i) Scheduled for Tuesday October 29th/19.

ii) We are using the same company as last year since they were pre-booked last season. If families are not satisfied with the products that they offer, we recommend ordering a digital copy so you can order your items from a company of your choosing.

iii) They will be using a background of Roger's Place this year.

iv) Photographer will set up at 4pm and start taking pictures at 5pm. Exact schedule will be sent out closer to the date. Group photos will take place on the ice and individual pictures will be taken in the concession area.

v) There is an option to pre-purchase "Memory Mate's" for \$10 each for the association, otherwise they will cost \$18 each. This includes a matte with an individual photo, team photo, player name and team name. The photographer needs to be notified ahead of time.

8) Committee Reports

a) President

i) Player requesting release:

- A male Pee wee player currently registered with our association has requested a release to go to Drayton Valley to play as a goalie on a female team. He has no interest in

playing as a goalie for our association since he doesn't feel he would have the support of his team.

- Pam Ekroth made a motion to release this player from our association to Drayton Valley, Clint 2nd. All in favor, none opposed.

- Brent will sign the release papers and the family will be refunded for registration as well as refunded and removed from hockey camps.

b) Vice President – pass

c) Ice Scheduler

i) Week one schedule has been determined and is as follows:

- September 17th – Atom 5:45-6:45pm

- Pee wee 7:00-8:00pm

- September 18th – Novice 5:45-6:45pm

- Atom 7:00-8:00pm

- Bantam & Midget 8:15-9:15pm

- September 19th – LTP 5:30-6:00pm

- Initiation 5:30-6:30pm

- Pee wee 8:00-9:00pm

ii) There will be changes as teams get sorted out. Tuesdays will likely have a rotating schedule for teams. An e-mail will be sent out to all families. Please check the website (not PARS) weekly.

d) Game & Conduct/Safety – pass

e) Equipment Manager – not present

f) Publicity Director – pass

g) Communications Director – pass

h) Fundraising Coordinator – pass

i) League Rep – pass

j) Registrar – A family with two children in initiation has requested that the siblings play on the same team. Nothing has been decided at this time. We

will not be splitting the teams based on year of birth this year. We do not have an answer at this time.

k) Referee Coordinator

i) Ref Clinic is scheduled for September 21st/19. Anyone interested needs to be registered by September 14th/19 and they need to complete an online training portion prior to the clinic. Information will be added to the website and a notice added to an e-mail to all families. If there are any questions, please contact Dale Hofmann. We are in need of more refs.

ii) Referee safety continues to be a concern at our arena. If there are any cases of violence or abuse towards referees, please notify Dale Hofmann or Pam Ekroth immediately. If a visiting team abuses the referees in any way that association needs to be contacted.

iii) Please report any good or bad experiences with a referee. Cara will bring this up at the managers meeting.

iv) Novice refs need to be carded and at least 13 years of age. Atom players can only ref Initiation games.

l) Hockey Development – not present

m) Secretary – The bank requested a list of all Board members and their addresses. This has been completed.

n) Treasurer

i) 2018 Annual Return was received, all good.

ii) Current bank account balance is \$55,659.72. There are approximately \$2500 in outstanding cheques that still need to be cleared from the account.

o) Past President – pass

9) Other

a) Governors meeting – Brittany will be attending

b) Coach Training - Hockey Alberta sent a list of options for training. We may choose from the options, or tailor it to our needs. Cara will forward the information to Brent. The training will be on a Tuesday,

Wednesday or Thursday evening sometime in October for about 3 hours and will be of no cost to our association (except ice time.)

- c) Provincials –Peewee, Bantam or Midget teams that win their division in Tiers 1 through 4 can go to Provincials. (League meeting)
 - d) Initiation Jamboree – will be scheduled for the weekend of March 7th/20.
 - e) Novice Jamboree – Scheduled for November 23rd/19.
 - f) Some forms on the website need to be updated or else a link to the updated versions on Hockey Alberta website need to be added. “Permission to tryout” form needs to be updated. Jackie will follow up with this.
- 10) Meeting adjourned at 9:11pm by Brent McCracken, Suzanne 2nd.
- 11) Next meeting – Tuesday October 8th, 7:00pm at the Evansburg Arena.