



**Ponoka Minor Hockey Association
February 5, 2025, @ 7:00pm
Ponoka Minor Hockey Association Board Room
MEETING MINUTES**

PRESENT:

**Nansen Vold
Mike Wildeboer
Nicole Meyers-Abt**

**Cole Butterfield
Michelle Lentz
Mike Dillen**

**Kristin Malterer
Rob Johnson
Robbin Nikiforuk**

**Megan Pankewitz
Jessica Loveseth**

REGRETS:

Shannon Kocyba

Nicole Owen

1. Call To Order

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

MOTION: Moved by Cole and seconded by Jessica that the February 5, 2025, agenda be approved as written. CARRIED.

3. Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Moved by Nansen and seconded by Kristin that the Minutes for January 8, 2025, be approved as written. CARRIED.

4. Director Reports

- a) President – live barn-waiting on Jeff Harris for install. Andrew from the town setting up cable. Update on treasurer issues.
- b) Vice President – CAHL meeting was Monday about playoffs. We are off the top 10 list for penalty minutes and suspensions. Over age player-maybe harder in the future. This year they had an increase in complaints with associations complaining about other associations. They will suspend all complaining. U15 filed a formal complaint against Rocky Mountain House and it is still in review. Haven't heard anything since December 6th. Remind managers to fill out AP forms before games.
- c) Treasurer – Balances: community account \$127,953.49 and Raffle account \$84,821.07. Handed out profit loss report for the 2024-2025 hockey season to date. U9A and U9B Teams have not paid their \$100 for TeamSnap yet. I have receipts from 4 teams so far for player development. Do we use RaffleBox still? Teams get their own. CAHL membership fee structure has changed this year to be per team instead of per player. Fees are now \$220 for U9 and \$250 per team for U11-18.
- d) Secretary – only person I am missing a Child Intervention check from is Sam (U18). The process for submitting game sheets for tournaments has changed and they are no longer provided a link to enter them but instead they are to email them into their division representative.
- e) Registrar – HA has sent out final information on changes coming out this year. You can register anywhere you want the first year you start playing hockey and boundaries don't matter. Associations don't have to take registrations though. People will most likely register where they live. One thing that will change for PMHA, we need to be specific on who we will accept, who gets priority, etc. Your home is where you last played. We need to rewrite policy on this. Think of capacity. If a player asks for a release we basically have to say

yes and if we say no then they can appeal it and HA will usually allow the release. Think about how we accept players? Where do we take people from? There will be some rules coming out about recruiting kids. Elite hockey, recruitment area will have boundaries and zones but where you last played is your home no matter where you live. May 1-June 30 to appeal to change your elite draw zone. Need one night to do registration criteria as a group. Stated questions we need to consider. Blackfalds and Lacombe would like us to fall in line with their timeline. Roster size-capping it based on skill level. Refund policies-all associations are trying to crack down on this with tryouts. Everyone is increasing tryout fees. We can accommodate as many U7 and U9's that want to play. We may need to start utilizing morning ice in the future. Need to rewrite policies for registration before AGM.

- f) Equipment Director – CAW had borrowed pinnies and pucks.
- g) Ice Scheduler – Absent. Regular season is almost done. Tournaments have been successful. Michelle has been invoicing ice. Playoff ice, no issues as Jr.B is done. Had a discussion with Jessica regarding increase of teams in the future. Practice ice, not an issue, you'd have to use consistent morning ice. Game ice is different, I can break down how much ice we need for that if needed.
- h) Public Relations – ordered team photos to give to team sponsors through Accu Publishing.

Email MOTION January 28, 2025: moved by Kristin and seconded by Megan that we order 1 team photo of each team from Accu Publishing for approx. \$20 for a 5x7 team photo to be given to each team sponsor as a thank you. CARRIED.

- i) Female Coaching Director – Jan. 8 had cash raffle-\$7700 and made \$3817.50. Affiliate discussion on allowing players from Blackfalds and Ponoka. 48 total girls attended the Saturdays Female Hockey day. Great turn out. \$115 over hockey grant funds. Insurance-went through Hockey Canada as they thought everyone would be covered but that wasn't the case. Other players got coverage under the Town of Ponoka insurance coverage. U15 CAW team doing well and wants to keep ice in Ponoka until March.
- j) U7 +U9 Director – U7 has a home tournament this month. U9 is having issues.
- k) U11 + U13 Director – Absent. Nothing to report.
- l) U15 +U18 Director – U15 has two games left in the season and they are first in the division. U18 has 1 game left in the season and are sitting 4th in the division.
- m) Referee Director – U15 and U11 tournaments-struggled to fill ref spots. If someone wants to file a complaint about refereeing, there is a policy to follow and a fee of \$200 to file a complaint.
- n) Fundraising/Tournament – purchased raffle barrel. Will be kept in the tournament locker. Sent email out about use of raffle money. Suggestion for use of money: pay for equipment, ice rental, helping with CAW.

MOTION: Moved by Jessica and seconded Megan to spend \$3500 from the grant money provided from the Oilers 50/50 community foundation towards the CAW expenses. CARRIED.

5. Old Business

6. New Business

- a) PMHA website – nothing urgent now and will update after playoffs. Need to do some updates.
- b) Board positions – duties. Kristin has old job descriptions and printed off what she has for members to review. If everyone can update them and return them to Kristin to attach to policies.
- c) PMHA Awards Update-Stampede passed that they will donate the facility for our awards night. Bob Ronnie's will be our caterer. Awards and grad gifts have been ordered. Kristin has sent out a save the date email. Having a meeting Monday.
- d) First Shift-not sure where we are with ice and who is willing to take it on. Tabled for now.

Email MOTION January 28, 2025: moved by Megan and seconded by Mike D that we spend \$100 towards a memorial card and meal for the Kocyba family. CARRIED.

7. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

Next meeting date: March 5, 2025, at 7:00 pm.