

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

PRESENT:

Nansen Vold Mike Wildeboer Shannon Kocyba Cole Butterfield Robbin Nikiforuk Nicole Myers Kristin Malterer Rob Johnson Mike Dillen Megan Pankewitz Nicole Owen

REGRETS:

Michelle Lentz

Jessica Loveseth

1. Call To Order Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

MOTION: Moved by Nicole Owen and seconded by Cole Butterfield that the March 5, 2025, agenda be approved as written. CARRIED.

3. Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Moved by Nansen Vold and seconded by Kristin Malterer that the Minutes for February 5, 2025, be approved as written. CARRIED.

4. Director Reports

- a) President Live Barn technician was at the rink on Monday March 3, 2025, and is coming back in April to install. He said it is harder to install with the ice in and since the season is almost over he is going to wait until April. Live Barn will go in on the player side and will be way up by the blue tarp. Complaint suspension of parent on U15 to any sanctioned CAHL event one hour before and one hour after game to March 23. Possibly allowed to go to the provincials as they are HA event.
- b) Vice President Director's meeting was last night. Drayton Valley has been declined to join CAHL. Also discussed the bottom teams that have no chance of winning a CAHL division to make a change so that teams can play longer league play. Allowing them to continue playing after February.

CAHL has been receiving triple the amount of the complaints –about Refs and Rule 11's, as well as, lots of players and parents being suspended for bad mouths. CAHL has said with Livebarn that they will be taking the footage into account for Ref calls and other complaints.

c) Treasurer – Working with teams that had tournaments this year to collect the 15% of their net income. So far I've invoiced U7, U9 & U11. Waiting on final financials from U15.

I would like to hire an accountant by the name of Cheryl Moser to help with year end financials. We have our non-profit Corporate tax, GST and annual return to be filed. The annual return for 2024 was never filed and 2025 will be filed after May 31 (our year end). The accountant would be used for quarterly financial reviews and year end to be an outside check on the books and to get us caught up. She would charge us \$125 per

hour as a community association compared to her \$175 per hour. She is estimating 25 hours for a total of \$3125 but this is on the high side of hours estimated. In the years to come she would still be required for the review and to sign off on the financials for the annual returns as "reviewed" but her hours would go down. I have things looking so much better for this hockey season but we need to get things 100% moving forward and ensure we have everything filed for the prior years.

Community Account \$118,410.28 and Raffle Account \$84,821.07. Profit loss report was sent out on Sunday.

Motion made by Kristin Malterer and seconded by Megan Pankewitz to hire Cheryl Moser C.P.A to get year end, GST, and non-profit corporate tax done. To hire her for up to \$9000 to get books up to date for prior seasons. All voted in favour and CARRIED.

In camera: approved up to \$10,000 to get books audited and up to date.

- d) Secretary absent. not much to report. Teams that are done playoffs are submitting exhibition games for sanction numbers now.
- e) Registrar absent. We are still waiting on clarification from Hockey Alberta about elite boundaries. I think Mike has been playing phone tag with them.

I sent out projected numbers quite a while back and I think we already discussed those. U18 is likely going to be a problem for low numbers but Mike had mentioned maybe reaching out to Bashaw as they have only a few players.

We need to pick a date for the AGM.

Michelle and I will be meeting to discuss how best to deal with registration and payments through the Ramp system. I have not had time to look into if any other system is more user-friendly or cost-effective, but I will try and do so in the near future.

Dates have been set for the policy revision committee to meet. April 22nd and 28th 6-9pm.

- f) Equipment Director U7 timbits medals, hockey cards, and toques. Small nets coming apart. Could purchase new ones or get them fixed. Look into getting pegs for them at Robs welding shop. Weld at bottom center post broke. See where we are at with the grant money. Nicole Owen was wondering where Buster was- not in tournament locker, not in shared, not in the U18. Cole B was going to double check lockers. Last used U18 tournament?
- g) Ice Scheduler Teams are winding up U15, U13B, U18 still in playoffs. End of March 24 the ice comes out paint the ice. Ice schedulers meeting end of April with the town.
- h) Public Relations handed out all the BP's player of the month 13s last one for the next newsletter it went over well. One final newsletter take off April, May, June, July back in August.
- i) Female Coaching Director U11 and U15 done with playoffs.

MOTION by email February 11, 2025: moved by Jessica and seconded by Nicole O that we give both U9 teams \$50 each towards year end awards. CARRIED.

- j) U7 + U9 Director U7 home tournament went ok- one incident with boards falling over look at getting new latches for top of boards. They will be done this weekend. U9B done this weekend and U9A is still going.
- k) U11 + U13 Director both U11 teams done U13A done and U13B playing Maskwacis for the banner.
- I) U15 +U18 Director U15 won the banner Tier 2, they play Drumheller and Indis this weekend. U18 passed second round and are onto the finals playing New Serepta.
- m) Referee Director winding down for the season.
- n) Fundraising/Tournament working on the financial report due April 9th for the raffle. Tournaments went well. AGLC money can be used on ice and refs.

5. Old Business

a. Update on CAHL Fees:

- In 2022 : we paid \$1940
- No invoice recorded for 2023
- 2024 : \$2700 sent by e-transfer
- 2025 : \$1940

We pay CAHL once a year in January or February depending on when they invoice. Prior years they were invoicing per team plus per player but this was so much work for them so they went to per team this year and going forward. We only receive a second invoice if we owe for bonds, fines or books. This is a follow up on the fees changing to being per team as per last meeting.

b. Grant money allocated to Goalie equipment and development from meeting minutes January 3, 2024. Looking back at some of the money we had allocated to certain things, we had a motion January 3, 2024 to use \$5000 for goaltending equipment and player development. Talked to Cole and we haven't purchased any goaltending equipment and is this something we still want to do? The financials are caught up and I hope to get a budget done up for next year once this year is done. Cole said he could get new goalie equipment for the U9's and will look into where the grant money could be used.

6. New Business

- a. Ref Reimbursement: We pay \$200 reimbursement for Referee equipment voted on at the beginning of each year for Ponoka residences that ref 10+ games. Nathan Parker is asking for \$200 to be reimbursed for last season and \$200 for this season for a total of \$400. As Nathan Parker would have met the requirements for last year to be reimbursed for his equipment he should be reimbursed. Notice was not given to the refs last year and wording should be changed so that it is only for the season and expires each year.
 - i. The board voted that Nathan Parker should be reimbursed the \$200.00 for last year but not for this year. Everyone in favor. Nicole Owen opposed the \$200.00 should have been \$400 to support our refs.
- b. AGM dates May 14, 2025 6:30pm Nicole O will book the upstairs, or possibly the curling rink. Location to be determined.
- c. Treasurer position job description to be discussed at next meeting and updated for policy.

7. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

Next meeting date: April 2, 2025, at 7:00 pm.