



Rocky Minor Hockey Association

Board Meeting May 26, 2020

Rocky Christensen Sports & Wellness Center

In Attendance: Wes Tomy, Scott Austad, Trish Datema, Jordan McCrindle, Tracy Vanderaa, Toni Alexander, Corrie-Jo Robinson, Wendall Mason, Cary Madsen, Jayme Baird, Jenn Klassen (7:55), Erin Verhaeghe, Kiza Trentham

Absent: Carrie OpdenDries, Kelsey Baird

Call to Order: 7:05pm

Additions to the Agenda: Scott to discuss an issue that occurred at the end of the season in his report.

Secretary:

- ❖ Some amendments made to the March 10, 2020 minutes made. Trish made a motion to accept the minutes with the amendments, Jordan seconded, motion carried.

President's Report:

- ❖ Wes & Tracy attended the Spring Hockey Meeting a couple of weeks ago some highlights from the meeting were:
 - Hockey is expected to be one of the last sports to open
 - The U11 pathway is to start for the 2020-21 season
 - Refeing in the U9 division is suggesting that there be 3 referees for each side with an older ref shadowing the 2 younger ones.
 - If association bylaws, rules etc. need changing for the age divisions, it is suggested that the changes be made sooner rather than later so people become familiar with the name changes. September 1st is the deadline to have the division names changed.
 - It is suggested that in light of the pandemic, associations not increase their fees, offer payment plans, and speak to the town about ice costs.
- ❖ Neither Wes or Wendall have heard anything from Hockey Alberta or Hockey Canada in regards to what the coming season will look like or if hockey will even be allowed to start. At this point, RMHA will move forward as if the season will start on time until we are told otherwise.
- ❖ RMHA is hoping to have registration open June 15, 2020.
- ❖ The U16 AA division will go ahead this season.

Vice President's Report:

- ❖ CAHL is working on the penalty minute issues.
- ❖ Scott is working with Sheryl to figure the equipment out.

Treasurer's Report:

- ❖ Chelsey gave some preliminary numbers. Team accounts are almost finalized but deposit books must be returned before start-up fee reimbursement cheques can be written.
- ❖ Jersey and socks should be ordered soon. PeeWee (U13), Atom (U11) and Intro to Hockey (U9) divisions are due for new jerseys. Scott will look after this.
- ❖ There has been a reimbursement from TBS, final numbers will be emailed out to the board once they are completed.

Office Manager's Report:

- ❖ The ice users meeting was held. Some highlights from that meeting are:
 - The ice plant has been ordered and everything looks like it will work out
 - There has been a rate increase to \$100.00/hour and \$125/hour on holidays
 - The town is looking at block booking, meaning whatever ice is not returned by November 1 is yours and you pay for it.
 - The town will extend the ice if needed, meaning if we need ice past the date they set to take it out, they will leave it in.
 - The town would like an end date on the league banners to take them down. They will leave the provincial banners and anything 'special' up but would like to take down other banners to clean things up a bit.
 - The town is looking at installing trophy cases for ice users to rent. These cases would be up to the user group to maintain.
 - The town is also looking at and expansion on the North end of the building for another dressing room and a ref room.

Registrar's Report:

- ❖ Tracy has asked for RMHA's players that played at a AAA or AA level to be returned, they hadn't been. Tracy emailed Lynn, and as the meeting was taking place, Tracy checked again and the players had been returned.
- ❖ The online registration can not happen until all issues with players needing to be returned are. Which shouldn't be a problem now, but it will take time to get the online registration ready to open to the public.
- ❖ RMHA has received a letter from a family in the Caroline boundary wanting to play in Rocky.
- ❖ Lynn sent out an email to all registrars stating that it is the registrars responsibility to ensure new registered players are within the respective boundaries. Tracy will confirm what will happen if a mistake is made.

Coach Coordinator's Report:

- ❖ The U11 pathway will run the same at the intro to hockey ran last season.
- ❖ Coach applications will be made available at the same time that registration opens up.

Referee in Chief:

- ❖ Cary has heard nothing so far. Ultimately Hockey Canada will dictate if the 2020-21 season will continue or not. Everything will continue as per usual until we hear otherwise.

Clinic & Risk Management Coordinator: Nothing to report

Directors:

- ❖ **Midget:** absent-nothing to report
 - ❖ **Bantam:** nothing to report
 - ❖ **PeeWee:** nothing to report
 - ❖ **Atom:** nothing to report
 - ❖ **Novice:** absent See Initiation
 - ❖ **Initiation:**
 - West Country Minor Hockey Association is compiling input to standardize tiering for next year
 - There is a proposal being put together from Sylvan Lake-more information to follow pending word from WCMHA.
 - More discussion on the learn to play program, a meeting will take place Friday for the parties involved to discuss this program further and what it might look like moving forward. More information will follow after the meeting is held.
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- Tracy asked for all directors to pass on to their managers to forward any meeting minutes to her and Toni so they can make the appropriate notes on player files if needed.
 - Scott added that CAHL will be adding a female division in the league
 - A suggestion for a waiver about COVID be made for parents/guardians and players to sign, Corrie-Jo said that we should expect to see something from Hockey Canada on this.
 - Wes has been contacting sponsors for the Provincial Tournament that was not able to happen, most of the sponsors decided to pay it forward and leave the funds with RMHA. Wes is still needing to contact 4 more sponsors to return their donations. RMHA thanks those sponsors that left their funds with RMHA and hopes that RMHA will be able to host a provincial tournament in the future and those funds will go towards that tournament.
 - Player movement forms have not been coming in yet, but it is expected to be happening soon. Anyone who is going to be needing a player movement form

signed is asked to remember that sometimes such things won't get done right away and is asked to leave time for the paperwork to get done and not leave it until the last minute.

New Business: nothing to add at this time

Next Meeting: Wednesday June 3, 2020 at 7pm via Microsoft Teams. Wes will send the invite.

Wes adjourned the meeting at 8:20pm.