Minutes

Slave Lake Minor Hockey Association Meeting Date: Wednesday, January 19th, 2022 Meeting Time: 7:00pm via Zoom

In Attendance: Tracey, Dion, Dwain, Jeff, Joel, Melissa, Pam, Tara, Travis, Tyler, Chris, Jenn

Absent: Mike, Bobbi, Cristy, Nikki, Britney

Call to Order 7:08pm

1. Agenda

- 1.1 Additions to the Agenda
- 2.1 Adoption of Agenda Motion to adopt the previous minutes by Tara, 2nd Tara CARRIED

2. Previous Minutes

- 2.1 Adoption of previous minutes Motion to adopt the previous minutes by Melissa, 2nd Travis **CARRIED**
- 2.2 Follow up on outstanding action items See Action Items

3. Standing Items

3.1 President Report

- -Chris, Joel and Pam met with Jill And Gary to discuss mask concerns. They were told we aren't under any obligation to walk around and ask people to put a mask on. We sent the information out to visiting teams so they are aware and that was acceptable to the TOSL.
- -Chris receiving an email with the playoff format from NAI. Some wording in the format to draw your attention to are "Teams will be substituted based on distance". Chris will send an email for clarifications and also send it out to coordinators.
- -Multi-tiered divisions will only play the teams in their tier.
- -Chris received an email from the Grande Prairie Storm on Feb 5. Doing a minor hockey night with 600 kids tickets for free. Chris will send the email to coordinators.

3.2 Division Updates (Division Coordinators)

U7: Things are going well. Had a U7 player go up to U11 for the day, Jackson Lamont was the winner.

U9: Went to a tournament in GP on the weekend.

- -Having a game with all the teams combined this week.
- -They still need some blue pucks.
- -Is the spare ice being used?
- **U11**: Everything is good, having good seasons.
- **U13**: Very competitive teams, all doing well.
- **U15:** Things are going well, big challenge is checking. Dwain would like to see Minor Hockey bring in someone for a checking clinic.
- **U18**: Going well. Did a bottle drive, selling 50/50 tickets. Schedule is getting lighter with competition. Tyler mentioned some games against Onoway were cancelled and wondered why. Apparently it had to do with them being the last place team and SL being the first palace team.

U15-18 Female: tabled

- **3.3 Bobbi Update:** A new goalie is joining U18 as he's moving into town but it's all still being approved by HA. Provincials, keeping it really low key (HA said no banquets or opening ceremonies) so that we don't have a ton of cancellations if it comes to that. Bottle drive was about \$1600 and raffle tickets are selling well! Between those two things we should have ice costs and refs pretty much paid for. Anything else is icing on the cake.
- **3.4 Referee In Chief**: Haven't had a lot of games for the new guys, but a few games each and most are grasping it.

4. Financial Review

4.1 Adoption of the financial report Motion by Joel to adopt the financial report as presented, 2nd Jenn **CARRIED**

5. New Business

- **5.1 U11 Tier 6 Playoff Tournament**: U11:2 only had approximately 6 home games all season.
- -We need to prepare a budget so we have an idea of the fee to charge the teams coming. Keep in mind, its to help offset costs.
- -March 4-6: 4 games Friday, 8 games Saturday, 7 games Sunday
- -Chris has asked Tara, Brit and Bobbi to come up with an approximate cost for the weekend so we can figure out what we need to cover.
- -Might be a good idea to approach hotels in town with a deal to offer teams.
- **5.2 Covid Update**: No eating/drinking in the stands

6. Round Table:

Dion: Expressed concerns over the ice. It's getting worse each week. Lots of ruts are not covered, edges don't get cleaned.

Joel: Echoed the concerns with the ice

Pam: surprised that NAI is doing some tournament playoffs with Covid.

Next Meeting: Feb 16th via Zoom at 7pm

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn by Jenn at 8:04pm, 2nd by Joel CARRIED

Action items

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- Joel will look into the blue pucks for U9 with Mike
- Joel will work with Mel and Lindsay to see if their U9 teams would be interested in using the spare ice.
- Chris will reach out to Jill outlining our concern for the ice and now getting complaints from our teams and questions from out of town teams.

Bylaw Action Items

Adding timeline for player advancement to be evaluated, how is this done, they skate with their division or not...etc.

- Adding something into player advancement dealing with half ice
- U13 Tournament is too early in the year, can we look at hosting the tournament later in the season?
- Add to Bylaws paying referees from time to time for mentorship. Equal to the cost of whatever the game is.
- Ad that 25% of tournament profits will be submitted to SLMHA in Rules and Regulations under Tournaments.