

Minutes

Slave Lake Minor Hockey Association

Meeting Date: March 5, 2025

Time: 7:00pm-8:30pm

Location: EG Wahlstrom

In Attendance: Joel, Karen, Kailynn, Jamie, Russ, Jenn, Chris, Alison, Kimmie, Britney, Tracey, Brittany, Keltie, Kellirae, Mel
Absent: Deanna, Ronnie, Mike, Lyndsay, Nikki

Call to order:

Additions to the Agenda :

Adopt Agenda : Keltie motion to adopt the agenda, Kailynn second

Previous Minutes

1. Follow up on outstanding items – see Action Items below

2. New Business

- a. Wind up event
- b. Playoffs update
 - i. U18 was eliminated and had their last practice.
 - ii. U15-2 is out, U15-1 in Provost this weekend, NEAHL got wildcard and will attend provincials
 - iii. U18 Female hosting playoff tournament this weekend
 - iv. U13 all teams still playing
 - v. U11 all heading to divisional playoffs this weekend
 - vi. U9 still playing, March 20 is the last day
 - vii. U7 still playing, finished on March 19
- c. Female rollover request- in Rules and Reg not Bylaw, needs to be decided at board level: female team would like to rollover their funds each year instead of closing out the account. The female team plays less games and in order to play more games they need to attend tournaments.
 - i. Jamie motions: The female account to roll over on a year to year basis. 2nd Mel **APPROVED**

- d. Celebration Female hockey day: smaller than last year, but feel that some new players will register next year. Made \$200 to put towards next years day.
- e. Season of play for U7 and U9: Discussion about ending the season for U7 and U9 the first week of March. However the U7 start later than the other teams and the ice isn't being used at those times anyway. Also, Hockey Alberta's mandate is to keep kids playing as long as possible.
- f. U9 female team next season: Lyndsay was wondering about having a U9 girls team that could start next year. Britney put a post on FB for interest in the U9 Female team to email Female Coordinator Lyndsay if they are interested.
- g. Crash derby fundraiser: For every 4 hour shift you work, you get \$100 towards your hockey fees. Kimmie motioned to team up with Crash for Cash to offer some amount off hockey fees per volunteer. 2nd Karen APPROVED (Kimmie will organize this!) July 11-13 (Motorcross dates to avoid for evaluations are August 16 and August 17)
- h. Bar Down: Joel spoke to them and they are willing to give us the same weekend. However we will ask for a different weekend in case that weekend doesn't work.
- i. Concert Parking Fundraiser: Joel was approached to see if SLMHA would help out with parking. 2 volunteers at each entrance. All money goes towards SLMHA. April 25. Joel will organize. If you'd like to help, please connect with Joel.

3. Committee Updates

- a. Apparel committee: Nothing
- b. Fundraising Committee: Nothing
- c. Discipline Committee: Chris received a formal complaint last night.
- d. Player selection: Joel to connect with Bar Down to see if we can select a different weekend.
- e. Bylaws committee
 - i. Meeting March 11
 - ii. Document shared with committee members to review before meeting

4. Standing Items

- a. President's Report: Grande Prairie Minor Hockey is looking for data to establish a U13 AAA team. Numbers of females in our divisions for the last 3 years. Jenn to send the info.
- b. Financial Report: Tracey presented the financial reports. Motion by Joel to accept the financial report as presented. 2nd Keltie. PASSED
- c. Division Updates (Division Coordinators)

- i. U-7: last day March 19
- ii. U-9: last day March 20, Tournament this weekend in Wembley
- iii. U11: Divisionals are this weekend.
- iv. U13: All 3 teams in playoffs, U13-2 game on March 23
- v. U15: U15-2 out, U15-1 heading to Provost for finals and Provincials in Three Hills the following weekend. Several players received suspensions from the U15-2 team last weekend. Kimmie motions for a written warning to all players who were involved in the antics on the weekend.
- vi. U18: last skate was Tuesday
- vii. U18: Female: Banners have been acquired, lots of volunteers. Provincials are a possibility for the team this year.
- d. Administrator's Update: grad plaques are in the works
- e. Ice Scheduler's Update: Brittany motioned for U13-2 to be able to continue skating until their last game. 2nd by Karen CARRIED
- f. Safety Update: New concussion policy and form. Anyone with a bubble shield, they can't have any tint.
 - i. Managers please make sure all medical forms have been submitted to Kimmie.
 - ii. Safety binder returned to Kimmie
 - iii. We need more first aid kits x 16. Very costly \$2500ish
 - iv. Kimmie will be stepping down this year.

Action items

- Britney put a post on FB for interest in the U9 Female team to email Female Coordinator Lyndsay if they are interested.
- Have a managers meeting and then another one in October to see how things are going.
- Add video on Ramp team app to managers for review
- Jenn to send info to GPMHA about female registration numbers for the last 3 years.
- Jenn to send Britney info on board positions to post on Facebook

Bylaw Action Items for Review:

1. Request to change the bylaw to use the 2000\$ loan on multiple tournament registrations
2. Sub committee for evals add to bylaws
3. Add Female tournament date
4. Proposed U7 tournament date

- a. Remove from January
5. one position on one team (except coaches)
6. Discuss U15/18 female account extension and parent letter, possible percentage to association
7. Travel policy update,
<https://www.neahl.ca/cloud/neahl/files/2022-2023/Alberta%20One%20Weather%20Travel%20Policy.pdf>
8. Safety Coordinator should be looking after first aid kits, change in By-Laws
9. Referee in Chief must use the software paid for by the Association to assign and track games

Next Meeting:

1. April 2nd, 2025
2. April 24th , 2025 7PM AGM

Adjourned : 9:15pm

Committee Members:

Player Selection Committee: Joel Blanchette, Ronnie Lukan , Mike Martin, Russel Baxter , Mel Herbert, Lyndsay Baird

Fundraising Committee: Jenn Taylor, Tracey Bonik, Britney Whitney

Apparel Committee: Jenn Taylor, Tracey Bonik, Deanna Sloan

By Law Committee: Mel Herbert, Jen Taylor, Chris Taylor, Joel Blanchette, Tracy Bonik, Deanna Sloan, Kellirae Tkach, Brittany Knudsen