

Minutes

Slave Lake Minor Hockey Association

Meeting Date: February 15th, 2023

Time: 7pm

Location: MRC

Attendees: Tracey Bonik, Jeff Green, Nikki VonderMuhl, Tara Maitland, Melissa Baxter, Jenn Taylor, Chris Taylor, Pam Boucher, Mike Martin, Joel Blanchette, Nicki Ward, Britney Whitney, Melanie Herbert, Lyndsay Baird

Regrets: Dwain Hill, Travis Eben, Mike Seppola

Call to Order @ 7:05pm

1. Agenda

1.1 Additions to the Agenda

2.1 Adoption of Agenda as presented by Nikki VonderMuhl, 2nd by Nicki Ward. All in favor. Carried.

2. Previous Minutes

2.1 Adoption of previous minutes as presented made by Britney Whitney, 2nd by Nicki Ward. All in favor. Carried.

2.2 Follow up on outstanding action items – See Action Items

3. Standing Items

3.1 President Report:

- NAI to send out final draft of playoff formats shortly
- volunteer coach track suits (4), Grizzly Ridge has lots of suits in stock. Chris to get a quote and ask if items are in Slave Lake or require ordering.
- Hockey AB member liaison, Paul is looking for association feedback. Chris to share an email for board to review.
- Chris to contact town regarding MRC/rink concerns.
- Hockey AB emailed regarding First Shift Initiative. Chris to forward email. Program encourages inclusion and participation.

3.2 Division Updates (Division Coordinators)

U7-recently attending tournament, had a lot of fun.

U9-some weekends are up to 4 games, its alot for kids. Chris to look at getting boards to a neutral space so they can be utilized in both rinks. Chris to provide feedback to NAI about division not starting til after teiring and having two games in a day that are spread out.

-Nikki to let coaches & managers know about half-ice games being mandatory. No full-ice games. Serious association consequences.

U11-going well.

U13- no update.

U15-season getting better.

U18-going well.

Female-won 1st round of playoffs. Lyndsay to email 1st round playoff info and Jenn will post on our facebook page to congratulate them.

-look at allowing High Prairie females to join next year.

3.3 Administrator's Update:

-quote for aprons: Business Factory: 10 aprons \$435.

-Jenn look to source aprons ourselves then get Tegan or someone else to embroidery logo on.

-Hartman Fundraiser ideas: raffle 50/50, playoff 50/50 for home games, potential one day event after hockey season ends. Jenn to connect with business factory about 50/50 tickets. \$5/ticket for 4000 tickets. Britney made a motion to get Business Factory tickets printed for 50/50 raffle. 2nd by Tracey Bonik. All in favor. Carried.

-grad plaques: lots of grads this year. Jenn to connect with MVP to get a quote. Tara and Lyndsay to let Jenn know names of graduating players.

-Wind-up ideas: food (BBQ?), would like to give out grad plaques at the wind up.

-full equipment during practices and games. No insurance for all kids if one kid does not have full equipment.

-AGM date: April 26th, 2023. Jenn to post notice by March 15th, 2023. Jenn to look at booking AGM at EG Wahlstrom.

3.4 Ice Scheduler Update:

-playoffs around the corner.

4. Committee Updates

4.1 Apparel Committee

-approved logo use on crewnecks, end of season tumblers and coffee mug gifts.

4.2 Fundraising Committee

-submitted Kruger Big Assist Grant in Feb. No word yet if we were selected.

4.3 Discipline Committee

-no new issues

4.4 Jersey Committee

-ongoing

5. Financial Review

5.1 Adoption of financial report as presented made by Lyndsay Baird, 2nd by Mike Martin. All in Favor. Carried.

6. Round Table

-low on ref's for playoffs, may need to bring in from out of town.

Next Meeting: March 15th, 7pm MRC

Adjournment @ 9:30pm

Action items

- Coaching packages: Joel & Mike M:
 - add evaluation process & concussion protocol. (otherwise packages are complete).
 - Mike M to send coaching links to Tracey for her to upload on SLMHA website.
 - Jenn to connect with Hockey AB to see if we can sign up for Coach Them app as an association.
- Jersey Replacement:
 - Sub-committee to meet and bring back recommendations to the board.
- SLMHA Asset List:
 - Mike S will take the lead on this, but will reach out to other board members to assist.
- 2021 Banners
 - Chris will arrange date in the future to hang banners.
 - Chris to ask MRC staff if banners can be hung in Pembina arena.
- Develop a season timeline for SLMHA as a board. Will work on throughout the year and post on our website/Facebook. Travis will work on it and bring back to board.
- No Sponsorship letter, Nikki to create a letter, send to board for feedback. To be used for CNRL or other business sponsors for jerseys.
- Chris, Mike and Jeff to meet to discuss ref/coach complaint process.
- Joel to set date for 1st bylaw meeting. Let Pam know and she canl secure a meeting place.
- Chris to get a quote and ask if items are in Slave Lake or require ordering for 4 volunteer coach track suits.
- Chris to contact town regarding MRC/ice conditions/concerns.
- Chris to look at getting boards to a neutral space so they can be utilized in both rinks.
- Chris to provide feedback to NAI about U9 division not starting til after teiring and having two games in a day that are spread out by hours.

- Nikki to let her U9 coaches & managers know that half-ice games are mandatory. No full-ice games. Serious association consequences.
- Lyndsay to email Female team's 1st round playoff info to Jenn and Jenn will post on our facebook page to congratulate them.
- Jenn will source aprons ourselves then get Tegan or someone else to embroidery logo on for Susan's Kitchen staff..
- Jenn to connect with business factory about 50/50 tickets for Hartman Fundraiser. \$5/ticket for 4000 tickets. Do a quick turn around on draw date.
- Jenn to connect with MVP to get a quote for grad plaques. Tara and Lyndsay to let Jenn know names of graduating players.
- AGM date: April 26th, 2023. Jenn to post notice to members by March 15th, 2023 (any Bylaw changes to be submitted by Mar 15). Jenn to look at booking AGM at EG Wahlstrom.

Bylaw Action Items

- add concussion protocol to bylaws for consideration at 2023 AGM.
- All board positions need review and updating. Position of Covid Coordinator title and job description needs to be updated to Safety Coordinator with a new job description.
- Tracey proposes team treasurers provide her with the monthly financials by the 5th of each month or the first weekend of each month. This will ensure she has updated information for each board meeting.
- proposed change to close our registrations earlier (HP closed Aug 20th). Update applicable forms/bylaws.
- review sub committees, who is on them, are they necessary or should entire board be involved?
- Pre-season coach education hosted by Coaching Director and Safety Coordinator.
- Under \$1000 team loans, change Novice and higher to U7 and higher.
- **Coach Selection Criteria:**
 1. Coaches cannot be Division Coordinator and Head Coach within the same division.
 2. All Coaches and Assistant Coaches must fill out a Coach's Application, to be considered for any position. All applicants must **obtain (change to obtain and submit)** a criminal record check including a vulnerable sector check.
 3. If no evaluations are needed for a team (one team in a division) coach selection committee can select coaches at the end of divisional skates
- female tournament moved to before Christmas. Currently occurs during diploma weekend.
- illicit drug use or alcohol consumption prohibited.

- U7 allowed to register til Jan 10th, made deadline Nov 15 or same as other registrations?
- under ice scheduler job description- include line on blacking out tournaments & ensuring ref coverage
- small board, do we need as many sub-committees?
- anonymous member complaint process
- players from outside the association on practice ice, leave the same or update rule?

Player Selection Committee: Joel Blanchette, Travis Eben, Lyndsay Baird, Mike Martin, Mike Seppola, Jeff Green.

Fundraising Committee: Pam Boucher, Jenn Taylor, Tracey Bonik, Nicki VonderMuhl.

Apparel Committee: Pam Boucher, Jenn Taylor, Tracey Bonik

Discipline Committee:

Jersey Committee: