

Minutes

Slave Lake Minor Hockey Association

Meeting Date: Wednesday May 24th

Time: 7pm

Location: EG Wahlstrom School

Attendees: Joel Blanchette, Mike Seppola, Mike Martin, Travis Eben, Pam Boucher, Tracey Bonik, Keltie Anderson, Nikki VonderMuhl, Kailynn Odegaard, Sheldon Ghostkeeper, Britney Whitney, Nicki Ward

Regrets: Lyndsay Baird, Melanie Herbert

Call to Order @ 7:12pm

1. Agenda

1.1 Additions to the Agenda

2.1 Motion to Adopt Agenda as presented made by Tracey Bonik, 2nd by Travis Eben.

2. Previous Minutes

2.1 Motion to adopt previous minutes as presented made by Nikki VonderMuhl, 2nd by Travis Eben.

2.2 Follow up on outstanding action items – See Action Items

3. Standing Items

3.1 President Report:

- welcome to new board members!
- please review bylaws and rules and regs.
- would like to increase AGM attendance going forward.
- Hockey Alberta meeting coming up in June.
- NAI AGM June 4th. Chris will advise if its open to all board members via Zoom.
- U9 concerns, tiering, scheduling, conversion to U11.

3.2 Division Updates (Division Coordinators):

-n/a

3.3 Administrator's Update:

- Jenn received a proposal from a local man, Daniel Peterson, for annual Hockey Photo night.
 - could stick with MVP for annual photos so we continue to get grad plaques and promote Daniel for team events, tournaments ect.
 - Team annual photos for our Thunder wall need to be purchased for the last 2-3 years. (approx \$45 per plaque).
- Casino: need more volunteers for June 18th & 19th in Grande Prairie. Short 12 shift (8 people).

- no gambling while working
- cannot leave building during shift, breaks taken onsite.
- KidSport- fully funding registrations and gear for eligible children. Applications accepted from May 1-Apr 30, 2023.
- Registration for 2023-2024 season: Projected numbers:
 - U7: 28 skaters.
 - U9-32 skaters.
 - U11-39 skaters.
 - U13-27 skaters, 1 goalie, possibly 2.
 - U15-30 skaters, 3 goalies, possibly 4.
 - U18-22 skaters, 3 goalies, possibly 4.
 - U15-18 Female-12 skaters, maybe 1 goalie.
 - Total: 176 anticipated.
 - Registration opening June 1st, 2023.
- payment plans start in June.

3.4 Ice Scheduler Update:

- contact hockey teams should not practice Monday if possible.
- working on proposed practice schedules & will forward to board once ready.

4. Committee Updates

4.1 Apparel Committee (Jenn, Pam, Tracey)

- FitNight:
 - discussed having FitNight in the summer. Honda Shop has agreed we could do an order in July, Due date July 31st, orders arrive in Sept. Could do another order in Sept with delivery in November. Jenn to promote on Facebook. Tracey to organize with Kris.

4.2 Fundraising Committee (Jenn, Pam, Tracey,)

- could use more volunteers, please let Pam know if you are interested in participating.

4.3 Discipline Committee (Joel, Mike Martin, co-ordinators not involved in situation ad-hoc).

4.4 Jersey Committee (Mike Seppola, Chris Taylor, Britney Whiteny, Travis Eben, Nicki VonderMuhl, Mike Martin).

- Chris has been in contact with Grizzly Ridge Honda Shop to set up a meeting regarding order.
- committee is meeting tomorrow to discuss:
 - 5 sponsorship levels (1-1000, 1001-3000, 3001-5000, 5001-10,000, 10,000+(potential jersey logo)).
 - Town has offered arena sponsorship to SLMHA, we need to submit a proposal.
 - currently have \$3000 donated by Tolko.

5. Financial Review

5.1 Adopt financial report.

6. New Business

-n/a

7. Round Table

-require Ref in Chief, Chris to put it out to referee committee.

Next Meeting: TBD

Adjourned @ 9:06pm

Action items

- SLMHA Asset List:
 - Mike S will take the lead on this, but will reach out to other board members to assist. Need to add values to list. Chris to contact Mike S to discuss.
- 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.
 - Nicki Ward to gather pricing from local businesses.
- 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.
- Chris, Mike and Jeff to meet to discuss ref/coach complaint process.
- 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 tiering and having two games in a day that are spread out by hours.
- Chris to draft a membership behavior letter and send to board for feedback.
- Chris to draft a SLMHA advertisement proposal letter to the Town.
- members should review Bylaws & Rules & Regs. (posted on SLMHA website).
- NAI AGM June 4th, Chris will advise board if it is open to board members.
- Brintey working on practice schedules and will forward for board review.
- Summer FitNight: Honda Shop has agreed we could do an order in July, Due date July 31st, orders arrive in Sept. Could do another order in Sept with delivery in November. Jenn to promote on Facebook. Tracey to organize with Kris.
- Chris to advise referee community that we are seeking a Ref in Chief.

Bylaw Action Items

Bylaw Committee Members:

Player Selection Committee: Joel Blanchette, Travis Eben, Mike Seppola, Sheldon Ghostkeeper, Mike Martin, Keltie Anderson. Seeking 1 more member.

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

Apparel Committee: Pam Boucher, Jenn Taylor, Tracey Bonik.

Jersey Committee: Mike Seppola, Chris Taylor, Britney Whiteny, Travis Eben, Nicki VonderMuhl, Mike Martin. Seeking 1 more member.