

Minutes

Slave Lake Minor Hockey Association

Meeting Date: Wednesday, November 3rd, 2021

Meeting Time: 7pm via Zoom

In Attendance: Jenn, Bobbi, Britney, Chris, Dion, Jeff, Joel, Melissa, Mike, Pam, Tracey

Absent: Dwain, Nikki, Tyler, Travis

Call to Order 7:04pm

1. Agenda

1.1 Additions to the Agenda 5.5 Covid, 5.6 Anti Bullying Update, 5.7 etransfers for teams

2.1 Adoption of Agenda Motion by Tara to adopt the agenda with additions, 2nd Joel

CARRIED

2. Previous Minutes

2.1 Adoption of previous minutes Motion by Britney to adopt the agenda with additions, 2nd Tara **CARRIED**

2.2 Follow up on outstanding action items – See Action Items

- a few groups on Tuesday and Thursday wanted to access the field house. It has been booked from 5:45-7:45, sometimes it's the track, other times it's the field house.

3. Standing Items

3.1 President Report

-playing hockey every weekend now.

-all associations were sent 3 weeks of scheduling yesterday before it was posted on the NAI website

-have had several conversations with Chuck Hunter, NAI President. One regarding the U11-2 team and them moving to tier 5 or tier 6. Tier 5 would be less travel but too strong, whereas tier 6 would be longer travel but better competition. Chuck called to make sure this is what the parents wanted knowing they would have to travel more.

-Another call was in regards to the U9-1 team sending an email directly to NAI. Chris asked the coordinators to ask their coaches and managers to contact the coordinators first and please follow the chain of command. If anything is to go to NAI, Bobbi, Joel and Chris will be the individuals to take things forward.

3.2 Division Updates (Division Coordinators)

-U7: nothing to report

-U9: U9-1 playing teams of lower caliber

-U11-1 great, U-11-2 manager is angry about the REP and says a majority of the team will quit. Can we update the U9 tournament date on the website to remove the tier 2 side?

- U13: tournament this weekend, 12 teams, short of refs. Tier 6 team is concerned that they have been combined with tier 5.
- U15: nothing to report, just wondering about what happens with playoffs in split tiers
- U18: Concern with the ice, and the tiering
- U15-18 female: ice scheduling meeting was on Saturday. If the team decides they don't want to go ahead with the tournament, they can cancel the sanction and plan a female hockey day if they wanted.

3.3 Bobbi Update

- sent in all teams rosters with approval for affiliates and these need to be updated on the website. U7 isn't approved yet as one parent doesn't have Respect in Sport, and U11-2 Travis took all his courses but the system hasn't updated yet and NA is aware.
- Coaches must all be on the roster in order to be on the ice
- Thunder Wall of Fame plaques we were missing are in and maybe we can get them up over Christmas break.
- tickets are selling like mad! People are looking for more so if you have extras, let Bobbi know.

4. Financial Review

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

5. New Business

5.1 U9-2A and U9-2B ice time

- U9-2 teams have been a bit unhappy and in an effort to get going in the right direction, Dion and Joel had a meeting with all managers and coaches. Mel is heading up both of the U9-e teams. They did ask about the ice time as these teams are splitting ice and the U9-1 team has full ice. The parents felt the U9-1 team was being favoured. We can provide them with 2 extra hours of ice time each month. Currently they practice on Mon/Wed and share ice. This would mean they each get their own ice twice a month.
- Meeting with the parents to discuss more help is needed before we provide more ice time and get the coordinator involved.

5.2 Apparel

- Fit week was a great turn out, less stress on parents and better conversations were had.

5.3 New nets

- Mike ordered the nets, 3-4 weeks delivery.
- Chris will send Jill an email about the new nets arriving.

5.4 Fundraising

- Should we get a Fundraising Committee going to raise some money for some things that AGLC won't allow us to use the money for.

- Group can meet regularly to generate ideas to fundraise.
- Send Jenn an email if you are interested in being on the committee (Travis, Cristy, Travis, Jenn, Pam)

5.5 Covid

- If a child is sent home from school as a close contact, are we going to ask them to stay away or are we going to stay the course of following mandatory restriction rules.
- We will follow the restrictions as set in the guidelines by the government.

5.6 Anti Bullying Update

- Dion, Joel, Britney, Jenn, Mike did the talks this year. It went over well.

5.7 Etransfers for teams

- Thoughts on setting up Etransfers for teams...
- If you have ideas, send her an email

6. Round Table:

- Short on refs this year so coordinators please let your players know. The course is this coming Monday and Tuesday.
- Are we considering paying half of the registration fee?
- Pam is wondering about the Safety Leader position. Pam will look into creating something that is small and would fit in a first aid kit with some point form for aid.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, December 1 @ 7pm via Zoom

Adjournment: Motion by Britney, 2nd Joel @ 9:37pm

Action items

- Tyler and Dion working on coaching packages - POSTPONED DUE TO COVID, (Dion mentioned he might reach out to Dave LaFrance for some help)
- Chris will reach out to Karen and Chuck to ask about the U9-1 team playing teams of the lower caliber and wanting to know if they can be scheduled to only play teams of the same caliber.
- Chris will send an email to NAI expressing our concern about combining tiers

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?