



## Stettler Minor Hockey Association

### Executive Board Meeting – SRC

October 30, 2024

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|-----------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|
| Reid Smith      | Jerilyne Raab | Kari Wilson   | Kelsie Miller  |
| Janelle Greiner | Christy Comte | Matt Fryer    | Tersha Stevens |
| Ruby MacDonell  | Melissa Muise | Ashley Strome | Brook Watson   |
| Todd Schlender  |               |               |                |

- 1. Meeting Called to Order:** 6:02pm
- 2. Additions / Deletions to the Agenda:** No new additions or deletions.
- 3. Review of August Meeting Minutes:** Reviewed the October 02, 2024 meeting minutes and action items.

*Kari Wilson motioned to approve the October 02, 2024 meeting minutes. Ruby MacDonell seconded the motion. All in favor.*

#### 4. New Business

**4.1 Tiering:** Tiering is going well; most teams appear to be starting in the appropriate tier. There is a re-tiering meeting scheduled for Nov 11-13, 2024. Joel is the point of contact for SMHA, there is a feedback form provided to managers requesting information on each teams tiering stats & recommendations, these need to be returned to Joel in preparation for this meeting.

**4.2 First Aid Kits:** First aid kits have arrived and been distributed to teams in need. These need to be returned at the end of the season.

**4.3 Team Sponsors:** Kari Wilson has agreed to assume the team sponsorship role. Discussed the current team sponsorship, as well as a few new ideas. Discussed looking into sponsorship helmet decals.

**Action Item:** Brook Watson will talk to Luke Rajewski (Digital Detour) for a quote on helmet decals.

**4.4 Provincial Bid:** U13 Female expressed interested in submitting a bid to host Provincials. The deadline for all bids is November 15, 2024. SMHA will support the bid.

**4.5 Ref Concerns:** No reffing concerns.



**4.6 Blue Pucks:** Getting low on blue pucks, will need to order more.

**Action Item:** Jerilyne will speak with Trevor or Kristyn at Prairie Rival Sports and inquire about ordering pucks (black & blue) through them.

**4.7 CAS meeting:** Meeting is scheduled for Nov 04, 2024, Reid and/or Jerilyne will attend on behalf of SMHA.

## 5. Old Business

### 5.1 Tournament Dates:

U13 Nov 15-18, 2024

U11 Jan 10-12, 2025

U11F / U13F Jan 24-26, 2025

U7 Feb 15, 2025

U9 Feb 22-23, 2025

**5.2 Coach / Manager Meetings:** Finding it difficult to nail down a date that works for most, so will switch gears and do this via email. Discussed managers keeping all jersey sets together and not mixing them up amongst different teams.

**Action Item:** Kari will send out the Cell Phone policy to all of SMHA, as a reminder.

**Action Item:** Reid will send out communication & SMHA policies to all coaches & managers via email.

**Action Item:** Reid will remind all coaches to put any equipment used for practices back into the lockers when they are done with them and to keep the lockers clean. DO NOT remove the whiteboards from the Ref's rooms.

*Brook Watson motioned for Jerilyne to purchase 2 whiteboard / practice boards and whiteboard markers, with a budget up to \$100.00. Matt Fryer seconded. All in favor.*

**Action Item:** Jerilyne will purchase 2 whiteboard / practice boards and whiteboard markers.

**6. HA:** Nothing to report

## 7. Executive Reports

**7.1 President:** Start to the season seems to be going well, just working through the tiering process and getting into regular league play.

**7.2 VP Development:** No report

**7.3 VP Operations:** Reminder of important CAHL and RMFHL dates.

**7.4 VP Marketing & Communication:** Picture Day is coming up November 04, 2024. Picture schedule has been sent out through Team Snap.



**7.5 Treasurer:** Account Balance as Sept 30, 2024

General - \$414 027.88

Casino - \$ 9 471.20

Aug/Sept Ice - \$ 8 307.99

*Kari Wilson motioned to adopt the October 30, 2024 SMHA treasurer report. All in favor.*

**8. Division Report:**

**8.1U7** – Home tournament is full & away tournament has been booked. Team snap is going well, great for communicating with team. Make-up days have been booked. Discussed not allowing parents in the player's box during practices. Looking forward to games starting next Friday.

**8.2U9** – Home tournament is full & away tournaments have been booked. Starting next weekend. Everything seems to be going well.

**8.3U11** – Report Attached

**8.4U13** – Discussed the safety form, and having all team players complete them.

Tiering update: U13A 3 wins & 1 tie, U13B 2 wins & 2 losses, U13C 2 wins & 2 losses

**Action Item:** Joel will look into getting the safety form uploaded onto team snap.

**8.5 U15** – Tiering going well; U15A 2 wins & 2 losses, U15B 3 wins & 1 tie.

**8.6U18** – Things are going well on both teams. Both booked into tournaments the weekend of December 06-08, U18A in Vermillion & U18B in Pincher Creek.

Tiering update: U18A 3 wins & 1 loss, U18B 2 wins & 2 losses

**8.7Female** – Discussed interest from U13 Female to submit a bid to host 2024/2025 Provincials. Report Attached

**9. Director Reports**

**9.1Registrar:** Finalizing affiliation

**9.2Equipment Director:** Report Attached

**9.3Ref / Ice Allocator:** Discussed continuing with the Jr. & Sr. Ref of the month program. Ice Allocator Report Attached

*Brook Watson motioned to spend \$300.00 and purchase 12 gift cards (of \$25/ea) from Jeannie's Concession for the Jr. & Sr. Ref of the Month. Kari Wilson seconded. All in favor.*

**9.4Fundraising Director:** Another very successful bacon fundraiser, we had a total profit of \$13 148.00. Next fundraiser will be the cash Calendar in March.

**10. Next Meeting:** Wednesday December 11, 2024 @ 6:00pm

**11.Meeting Adjourned:** 7:30pm



## **U11 Division Report**

Home tournament is filled, and all teams are now paid:

Tier 2 - Stettler, Innisfail, Wetaskiwin, Drumheller

Tier 4 - Stettler, Fort Macleod, Cremona, Killam

Tier 6 - Stettler, Camrose, Olds, Red Deer

Our teams have been doing well in tiering as of today their records are as follows:

A Team

Exhibition - 3 GP, 3 Wins

Tiering - 3 GP, 2 Wins, 1 Loss

Notes: Loss was against a Tier 1 Team from Red Deer

Away Tournament - Feb 14-16/25 - Olds

B Team

Exhibition - 1 GP, 1 Loss

Tiering - 4 GP, 2 Wins, 2 Losses

Notes: One win was against a Tier 3 team.

Away Tournament - Nov 15-17/24 - Cremona

C Team

Exhibition - 1 GP, 1 Loss

Tiering - 4 GP, 3 Wins, 1 Loss

Notes: Tiering loss was against Maskwacis Tier 6, 2 wins were against 2 Tier 5 teams

Away Tournament - Nov 15-17/24 - Didsbury

The injured player did return last week and is placed on the C team for now.

No other exciting news :-)



## **Ice Allocator Report**

League updates - U13 Female and U18 Female are on their by-week this weekend and will start regular season the weekend of November 8-10. U11 and U15 Female and our CAHL teams are all still tiering - U11 Female and U15 Female will begin regular season on the weekend of November 15-17 and our CAHL teams will begin regular season on the weekend of November 22-24.

Tiering Ice Scheduling & Ref Scheduling - the female tiering schedule released very quickly, and ref scheduling was a breeze for RMFHL games this season. The first two weeks of CAHL tiering were also smooth, but we will need to get used to waiting for a schedule release through the duration of CAHL tiering. Please be patient as Todd and I work through these schedules.

Regular Season Ice Scheduling & Ref Scheduling - the first half home availability (November - December) has been sent into RMFHL and the entire male season availability has been sent into CAHL. I would expect that schedules (full CAHL and Nov/Dec RMFHL) will roll out within 2 weeks of regular season starting. The second season of RMFHL must be sent in by mid-November. Again, this will take some time for Todd and I to compile and release. Expect to be on the road a lot during the final half of the year - there are only 40 game slots between January 4<sup>th</sup> and February 9<sup>th</sup> (U18 - Feb 14 - 16<sup>th</sup>) to be shared between our 14 league teams.

Blackouts - I do not have blackout dates for U15 Female. If they can be provided a few days prior to November 22, that would be great.

Financial - we have had some issues with scheduling on the league side (training, oversight, etc) and we will bear the brunt of that financially this weekend, with 2 games of unused ice that we will need to pay for. A reminder to teams that one weeks notice is required to cancel ice on SRC, as we will also be billed for a few unused practices this week as well.

General - no ice at SRC on November 11. We need to make a decision on ice over the Christmas holidays fairly soon. A modified Christmas schedule will come into effect. Looking ahead, we have booked some ice at Big Valley during the Erskine Curling Club event (late Jan, early Feb) - morning practices will be combined at SRC and we will evaluate league schedules to assign practices (there will be Friday practices, there could be Sunday practices). We will do our best to ensure fairness to all teams regarding practice times and travel to Big Valley, but there is a chance that practices may be combined, reduced or shortened during this timeframe. Expecting a very busy playoff weekend on February 21-23 - additional ice has been booked in Big Valley for that weekend.

Next Season Notes - I believe next season, we should try to offer our U9 (or U7/U9 combined) tournament on the weekend following Christmas break. This year, we had 6 of our male teams black that weekend out (which is totally fine) and wound up giving a bunch of ice back to SRC. Would be more practical to run this weekend instead of during playoffs or late in January/February.



## **Equipment Director Report**

All jerseys have been handed out; we had some goalie jerseys altered as we still struggle with finding the mid-sizes. Also, lots of A's and C's were left on the jerseys last year so please remind managers to remove them, otherwise the removal cost is passed down to the next team.

We have had issues with people going into lockers and helping themselves to utilizing jerseys from other teams, Janelle and I are going to meet up and change all the locker codes. We will give only the manager/coach of that team the code. We have now found all the missing jerseys.

U7/U9 jerseys and socks arrived, and Brook has handed them out to the teams. First aid kits are in, Kari emailed all directors and managers letting them know to contact me for one. U18, U15, and all female teams have them; still waiting on some u13, and u11's.

Apparel order is now closed, waiting to talk to PRS on how it went and anything we can improve on for next year. They were great to work with.