

Stettler Minor Hockey Association

Executive Board Meeting - SRC

November 06, 2025

6:00pm

Reid Smith Mel Bergstrom Kelsie Miller Chelsey Rowledge
Brett Muhlbach Matt Fryer Melissa Lyle Todd Schlender
Halle Vanderlee Ruby MacDonell Kendice Stenlund Diedre Northrop

Melissa Muise

1. Meeting Called to Order: 6:04pm

Additions / Deletions to the Agenda: No new additions or deletions.

Todd Schlender motioned to approve the November 06, 2025 meeting agenda. Melissa Bergstrom seconded the motion. All in favor.

- 3. **Review of October 07, 2025 Meeting Minutes & Action Items:** Reviewed the October 07, 2025 meeting minutes and action items.
 - **3.1 Criminal Record Checks** Continue to have some outstanding criminal record checks, these need to be submitted.

Brett Muhlbach motioned to approve the October 07, 2025 meeting minutes and action items. Ruby MacDonell seconded the motion. All in favor.

4. New Business

4.1 Ipads for Female Division – RMFHL has switched over to electronic scoresheets and each association is responsible for supplying their own devices. The female division has been borrowing an Ipad and laptop, on a trial basis, to see which they prefer to use and it was decided that an Ipad is the best option. Todd Schlender, Stettler Mobile Solutions, will look into getting these products for us.



Melissa Muise motioned to spend up to \$1500.00 to purchase 2 iPad, cases, screen protectors, and chargers for the female division to use for their electronic scoresheets. Melissa Bergstrom seconded this motion. All in favor.

Action Item: Todd Schlender, Stettler Mobile Solutions, will source out and purchase 2 iPad, cases, screen protectors, and chargers for the female division, with a \$1500.00 budget.

Action Item: Reid will talk to Brad Robbins, Town of Stettler, about the possibility of the iPad being kept at the front desk so they are readily available for managers to pick up for games.

4.2 **Ref of the Month Vouchers** – SMHA would like to continue to acknowledge the hard work of our Refs with the "Ref of the Month" program. Each month a junior and senior Ref will be chosen and receive a \$50 voucher to Jeannie's kitchen, as well as have their picture posted on social media.

Brett Mulbach motioned to spend up to \$600.00 to purchase 12 \$50 vouchers from Jeannie's Kitchen for the "Ref of the Month" program. Matt Fryer seconded this motion. All in favor.

Action Item: Melissa Bergstrom will purchase 12 \$50 vouchers from Jeannie's Kitchen.

- 4.3 **U9 Jersey's Sizing** The new U9 jerseys are fitting a bit small, the executive board approved purchasing 3 XL jerseys & socks, as well as bigger goalie jerseys.
- 4.4 **Development Equipment** The Stettler Rec Center would like all coaches to be reminded that it is their responsibility to put away ALL of the development equipment they bring out for practices. If equipment continues to be left out for the arena staff to put away, they will start charging SMHA a fee for doing so.

Action Item: Reid will send out a reminder to all coaches to put away all development equipment following their practices.

Action Item: Joel will look into options for more locker space for the U9 division.



- 4.5 **PHL Tournament** Reid spoke with Brad Robbins regarding the inconvenience and extra cost incurred due to the scheduling of a PHL tournament during a tiering weekend. As these types of tournaments do bring in a lot of revenue for our community and help keep our SMHA fees low, Brad is open to suggestions for better weekends to host such events.
- 4.6 Fundraising Recap Another very successful bacon fundraiser for SMHA. Our families sold 897 boxes of bacon, bringing in a profit of \$18 959.00.
 We have done so well with our fundraising it will not be necessary to do another fundraiser this season. We will be looking at other options for families to get their remaining volunteer hours.

Action Item: Deidre will look into the need for volunteer for the Festival of Lights as a possibility for families to get their volunteer hours.

4.7 **Oilers Game** – We have the opportunity to participate in Stettler Minor Hockey Night at Rogers Place with the Edmonton Oilers. This event will take place January 29, 2026 @ 7:00pm and will include 20 tickets for players to participate in the "High Five Tunnel". Information on tickets available will be sent out in the next few weeks.

Action Item: Chelsey will get more information on how we can use the 20 "High Five Tunnel" tickets, if SMHA can decide who gets the tickets or if it is based on the first to purchase.

- 4.8 **CAS Meeting** Reid will attend the CAS meeting on November 13, 2025, they will be discussing AA, as well as evaluation processes.
- 4.9 **Coach / Manger Meeting** Reid has given a lot of thought as to the best day / time to get everyone in one room and has decided it might be better for him to catch coaches / managers individually at the arena before/after their scheduled practices.

Action Item: Reid will catch up with coaches / managers individually before/after their scheduled practices in lieu of a large coach/manager meeting.

5. Hockey Alberta – Nothing to Report



6. Executive Reports:

- **6.1 President** Dust has settled after evaluations and player placement, everyone is moving on with tiering.
- 6.2 **VP Operations** No report
- **6.3 VP Development** Was looking into booking some sessions for small-area games, but have decided to post-pone until the new year. Ashley Grantham is going to do some power skating sessions with the U9's, just waiting on some dates.
 - **Simon** Thieleman has started working with the goalies on each of the SMHA teams. He now has an app to make booking sessions easier.
- 6.4 **VP Marketing & Communications** Picture Day was November 05, 2025, went well, and pictures will be available by the weekend.
- **6.5 Treasurer** Currently going through the financials and creating a projected budget. Bank accounts are as follows:

General Account \$295 000.00

Investments \$ 33 000.00 & \$150 000.00. 31% of SMHA money is currently invested. U7 & U9 have too much money in their accounts, it needs to be spent.

7. Division Reports:

- **7.1 U7** Would like the opportunity to get more ice, as their season is quite a bit shorter than other teams.
- 7.2 **U9** All teams secured for the tournament. Would like to book some exhibition games, will wait until closer to the end of season. Will try to get more house league games booked to make up for the ice they have been losing.
- 7.3 U11 No Report
- **7.4 U13** Hosting home tournament next weekend. Things are going well amongst the 4 teams. Still in tiering, hoping to get some better games / crossover games this coming weekend.
- **7.5 U15** No Report
- **7.6 U18** No Report
- 7.7 **Female** Need to refund a player whom has not chosen to continue, they did the development skates but no practices.
 - There has been no more discussion on hosting a female tournament in Forestburg. Female division would like to host another banquet, as it was very well received last year. More information will be brought to the next meeting.



8. Director Reports

8.1 Registrar: Would like to have Steve Whitney & Simon Thieleman added to a roster, to ensure they are insured while on the ice.

Reminder that all coach credentials are due by November 15, 2025.

Would like to get affiliates assigned to teams as soon as possible.

8.2 **Equipment Director:** Discussed purchasing new practice white boards for each team that the head coach would be responsible for taking care of and returning at the end of the season. The current boards we have are in rough shape and need to be replaced.

Action Item: Deidre will look into the cost of replacing white boards & markers for each team U11 – U18.

8.3 Ref Allocator: Refs do not love going to Big Valley, the ref room is small and the ice isn't the greatest.

Ref's would like to see the U18 games be scheduled for later in the day / evening, as there have been a few games scheduled for mid-day and this takes any U18 player that ref out of commission for the day and then it becomes a struggle to find appropriate refs for certain aged games.

Welcomed 2 new officials, bringing #'s up to 63.

- **8.4 Ice Allocator Report Attached**
- **8.5 Fundraising / Sponsorship:** Another very successful bacon fundraiser for SMHA. Our families sold 897 boxes of bacon, bringing in a profit of \$18 959.00.

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- **8.6 Tournament Liaison:** U13 tournament is ready to roll, currently working with the Female division on their tournaments.
- 9. Next Meeting: December 04, 2025
- 10. Meeting Adjourned: 8:00pm



Ice Allocator Report

RMFHL:

- First Half Regular Season ice was sent in on October 17, Second Half is due on November 21.
- I have most of the team's blackout dates in place just waiting on one more from U15 Female (before November 17th).

CAHL:

• Regular Season ice was sent in on October 27. All blackouts were sent in on time - thank you so much for that.

Home Tournaments:

- Schedules have been finalized for U13 Male, U11 Male, U11-U13 Female home tourneys. U7 has provided a schedule outlining their ice requirements for February 7.
- I would like to have an idea for the U9 tournament ice requirements by November 17th.

General Information:

Board members, directors and head coaches should be reviewing the Operating Regs of each league and should be familiar with Important Dates.

- There are some SRC closures and tournaments booked the following dates affecting some groups. Affected users may contact me to reschedule practices due to SRC closures.
 - Nov 11 Remembrance Day (SRC closed)
 - Nov 14 16 U13 tournament, U7 and U9 have been rescheduled to Sunday.
 - o Dec 5 7 outside tournament, U7 and U9 have been rescheduled to Big Valley
 - oJan 2 4 U11 tournament, U7 and U9 have been rescheduled to Sunday.