

Stettler Minor Hockey Association Executive Board Meeting - SRC December 13, 2023

| Reid Smith | Jerilyne Raab | Martyne Nixon | Kelsie Miller |
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| Kari Wilson | Janelle Greiner | Brett Muhlbach | Joel Shepherd |
| Nicole Doan | Brook Watson | Kerri Snowden | Meghan Thompson |
| Dan Hunt | Allison Norman | | |

- 1. Meeting Called to Order: 6:00pm
- 2. Additions / Deletions to the Agenda: No new additions or deletions.
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- **4. Review of August Meeting Minutes: Action items from the** *November 16, 2023* meeting minutes were reviewed, but not the entire meeting minutes.

Action Items: There are still outstanding criminal record checks that need to be submitted asap. The only teams that have fulfilled the requirement are the Female U13 & U18 teams.

5. New Business

4.1 U9 Pilot Project: Starting Feb 01, 2024 we can offer full ice games at the U9 division. Reid & Joel will discuss how this will look for our U9 teams.

4.2 CAS meeting highlights: Due to CAS running without a U18 team this season, they risk losing their entire program for the upcoming season if they cannot get the U18 division back. Discussion was had based on Stettler being a feeder association for this team and whether we will support by sending players.

4.3 U18 Provincials: Stettler won the bid for the U18 Tier 1 Provincials. The committee is in the beginning stages of the planning and will require a lot of support from our SMHA families. There was discussion regarding the help that will be needed and the possibility of families being allowed to carry-over extra volunteer hours to next season. Also discussed the possibility of having a beer garden on site, and whether this is wanted / necessary and how this might affect the event.



Jerilyne made a motion to allow SMHA families to carry-over extra volunteer hours into the 2024/2025 season. Nicole seconded. All in favour.

4.4 Fundraiser, increase SMHA input from \$1100 for prizes to \$2000: The cash calendar is full of items & cash prizes. Will use some of SMHA money to beef up a couple of smaller cash prizes. Ready to start selling in January and the calendar will run for the month of march.

4.5 Imperials home game tickets for 2 SMHA teams: SMHA has tickets to gift to 2 teams to attend the Stettler Imperials home game Dec 23/2023. There are no SMHA teams playing that wknd with the holiday break, Reid will decide which teams will get these tickets.

4.6 Blue Pucks: Reid will discuss with Duncan regarding whether or not we have enough blue pucks or if we need to purchase more.

4.7 Mid-season reviews: Briefly discussed the mid-season reviews, there were both positive and negatives reviews give. This will be discussed further at the Executive level.

4.8 Global Girls Game: Preparations are underway for the Feb 17 Global Girls Game against U15 Red Deer Chiefs; a detailed schedule released in January. U11 Female will play at 11:15am, to kick start the day. Feb 17th availability is uncertain for U13/U18 teams due to this being the first weekend of playdowns. Still waiting to hear back from Hockey Canada, with clear expectations for the event.

4.9 Cross Ice registration numbers: Registration is filling up, but there are still spaces available. Kari will send out a reminder for families.

4.10 Process of officiating with family members on-ice: There are no longer to be any family members officiating games of their siblings. All refs have been informed of this.

4.11 U13 raffle request: U13 Female would like to run their raffle from now until their tournament weekend, using raffle box, as well as printed tickets. It was discussed that one form of the 50/50 is sufficient.

4.12 Organizing home tournaments: Discussed how tournament committees are supposed to be formed; there should be volunteers from each of the teams that form the committee, and everyone should have input.

Action Items:

5.1.Reid and Joel will discuss when/how to offer full-ice games to the U9 division.



5.2.Reid will discuss the interest of players possibly trying out for the U18 CAS division next season.

4.5 Reid will decide which 2 teams will get the tickets for the Imperials home game Dec 23, 2023.

4.9 Kari will send out communication to families reminding them about the registration deadline for Cross Ice Development.

6. Executive Reports:

- 6.1.President: No report
- 6.2.Past President: No report
- **6.3.VP Development:** Registration is open for the Cross Ice Development sessions Jan 2 & 3, 2024. There are currently still open spots available. SMHA Will be hosting a Stable in the Net session end of January as well.
- 6.4.VP Operations: Discussed the possibility of moving U9 games up to 6:15pm. There was a complaint at U11 division, this will be discussed at executive level. Goalie equipment was ordered, chest protector, 24" & 26" set of CCM pads. There is a West Jet employee at the U11 level that applied for and was successful in getting the free tickets anywhere West Jet fly's. The donation was discussed and was decided since it was a U11 parent, that the tickets will be raffled at the U11 home tournament.
- **6.5.VP Marketing & Communication:** Nothing to report. Still waiting for a few criminal record checks.

6.6.Treasurer:

Casino \$ 9 087.88 General \$ 327 627.72 Ice Bill Nov \$29 000.00



7. Division Report:

7.1.U7: Rolling right along. Working with the U9 division for their joint tournament

Feb 10/11, 2024; there are 22 teams registered.

- 7.2.U9: No report
- 7.3.U11: No Report
- 7.4.U13: U13A is having a good start to the regular play with 4W 2L 1T. We have had a few later games then fairly early games the next day with isn't ideal. Team is headed to Blackfalds tournament Jan 12th weekend.
 U13B is having a solid season with a 5-3 record. Team is headed to a tourney in Elk Point this upcoming weekend. Lots of travel through the back stretch, with only 2 home games remaining the duration of the season.
 U13C not much to report.
- **7.5.U15:** Both teams currently sitting bottom of their tiers, U15A with a 1-6-1 record and U15B with a 0-4-1 record.
- 7.6.**U18:** U18A placed 2nd in a tournament hosted by a Calgary Tier 1 team, in Delia last weekend. Another tournament coming up Dec 27-29, Camrose U18AA, where teams will be from around Alberta and Saskatchewan. The team did a very successful scoreboard fundraiser, selling all of the squares, making a \$2500 profit which paid for the Camrose tournament. League games are going well, currently sitting middle of the pack.

U18B has had a great start to the season with 5 wins, 2 losses. The team did a very successful fundraiser. Headed to a tournament this coming weekend in Devon. Still dealing with some illness on the team.

7.7.Female: Other associations' limited ice affects regular season game counts: U11/U13/U15 play 16; U18 plays 17. Teams without pre-Christmas exhibitions seek permission for post-Christmas games to balance schedules. January hosts U13 Tournament (Jan12-14) and the U11 Tournament (Jan26-28).

8. Director Reports

- 8.1.**Registrar:** Rosters are complete. Canadian Tire generously donated 1 free skate sharpening to each SMHA member.
- 8.2.Equipment Director: Discussed possibly looking into getting more blue pucks.



- **8.3.Ref / Ice Allocator:** Discussed the ice over Christmas break, there will be a few adjustments to the practice schedule the first week of January to allow for no morning practice for teams. SMHA will start to look at picking up any open ice slots for in-house development.
- **8.4.Fundraising Director:** The cash calendar fundraiser is full of items and cash for the March daily prizes, tickets will be available through a link to purchase online.
- 9. Next Meeting: January 17, 2024
- 10.Meeting Adjourned: 8:32pm