

**Swift Current Minor Hockey Association
Monthly Meeting Minutes – Monday April 08th, 2024
Walker Place-Fireside Room**

1. Call to Order:

Brad Torry called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

2. Roll Call/Regrets:

Present: Brad Torry, Larry Empey, Paul Hegglin, Greg Hurrell, Nola Smith, Mike Olfert, Dave Smith, Jaime Leblanc, Anne Ailsby, Cory Zacharias, Adrian Chubaty, Kirstin Rondeau, Vaughn Penley, James Willett, Shawn Irwin, Rej Stringer, Ian Schafer, Sheldon Paulhus

Regrets: Cheyene Arntsen, Eric Bloom

3. Additions/Adoption of Agenda: Vaughn Penley moved to accept Agenda, Seconded by Larry Empey, Carried.

4. Acceptance of Minutes from Monday March 04th 2024.

Anne Ailsby moved to accept the minutes, seconded by Kirstin Rondeau. Carried

5. Old Business: AA Team Coaching Positions for the 2024/2025 Season

U13AA Wildcats-Garnet Unger. Motion to accept – Seconded and Approved.

U13 AA Broncos-Jordan Brisbebois- Motion to accept, seconded- Defeated. Board decided to extend the advertisement of this position until May 01st and then review at the Board Meeting in May.

U15AA Wildcats-Cheyenne Arntsen. Motion to accept, seconded. Carried.

U15AA Broncos-Curtis Wills. Motion to accept, seconded. Carried.

U18AA Wildcats-Shane Stewart. Motion to accept, seconded. Carried.

U18AA Broncos- 3 Applicants. All applicants discussed by Voting Board members, Secret Ballot vote cast. Successful Applicant Neil Johnston. Motion made to destroy ballots made, seconded. Carried.

6. New Business

Following SCMHA Board positions are up for election for 2024/2025

U9 Division Head: Nominees-Kimbi Wiebe-Anne Ailsby

U13 Division Head:Nominee-Kirstin Rondeau

U18 Division Head: Nominee: Cory Zacharias

Jr. Female Division Head: Nominee: Ryan Hamilton

Director of Risk Management-Nominee: Shawn Irwin-Appointed by current Board at the AGM

Treasurer-Nominee: Eric Bloom-Appointed by current Board at the AGM

Member at Large-(Open) Appointed by current Board at the AGM

Legionnaire/Wildcat Liason-Nominee- Larry Empey-Appointed by current Board at the AGM

Notice of Motions to Change the Constitution. There were 5 Motions that were submitted by Vice President Brad Torry. These were all pre-viewed by the current Board and will be presented for a vote to the Membership at the AGM.

It was brought to the Board of Directors that there were certain teams that went out and secured ice rentals in different locations without consent. This will be dealt with at Coach Orientation and be made clear No ice is to be booked without consent of the Ice Scheduler.

Non Parent Coaching Staff Honorariums was discussed. Non Parent Coaches should not be out of pocket for attending out of town games,tournaments etc, Hotel rooms or meals.

A Motion was made that all teams in the SCMHA with Non Parent Coaches be re-inbursed for expenses related to attending out of town games, tournaments etc. Motion was seconded and Carried. To be added to SCMHA Rules and Regulations.

Due to the impending SCMHA Association AGM being the same night as the WHL Bronco playoff game it was decided to move up the meeting time from 7:00 pm to 5:30pm so that all members of our Association can attend both. This was confirmed with the City of Swift Current Department of Parks and Recreation and will be advertised on Social Media as well as our website.

7. Communications:

SSHL AGM Tuesday April 10th 7:00p.m. Wickenheiser Centre, Shaunovan, Sask. We require someone to attend and require one person to serve as a Vice-President for the 2024-2025 season. Paul Hegglin will be the representative acting in this role. He will be attending the meeting.

11. Financial Report:

Eric Bloom not present and no update submitted at this time.

12. Division Reports:

U18 Division Report

Division Head: Cory Zacharias

Date of Report: April 8,2024

U18 SCMHA had a total of 54 registered. There were 2 house league teams made up of 35 kids these two teams played in the SSHL made up of 7 teams finishing 6th and 7th. U18AA Broncos had 19 kids registered finishing the season in 6th in the SAAHL. They moved on to play Estevan in the first round of playoffs winning in game 3 but lost in 2 games to Regina Rangers in the second round. U18A provincial team had a bye in the first round and lost to Martensville in round 2 in Ot.

Also would like to thank coaches, managers and volunteers for their time during the season.

Head Coaches:

U18AA Broncos

Head Coach: Kent Silbernagel

Assistants: Terrik Beaudoin, Jason Silzer, Garth Sherven

Manager: Pam Gedny

U18 Knights

Head Coach: Trampus Lacelle

Assistants: Mike Shotter, Garnet Unger, Cory Zacharias

Trainer: Mike Cooper

Manager: Brent Stechyshyn

U18 Wild

Head Coach: Lane Francis

Assistants: Mike Haydon, Kevin Leshures

Manager: Brad Woods

Provincial Team

Head Coach: Trampus Lacelle

Asst Coaches: Keven Leshures, Steve Michaluk

Manager: Brent Stechyshyn

Respectfully submitted,

Cory Zacharias

U15: Division Head: Mike Olfert

Date of Report: April 8th, 2024

U15 Minor Hockey Division had a total of 83 registered. There were 4 house league teams made up of 65 kids, playing in the SSSL league. The 4 Swift Current teams finished 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th in the league. The other 18 skaters made up the AA Broncos team that finished 2nd in the SAAHL South division losing in 3 games in the South final to the eventual Provincial champion Regina Pat Blues. The U15 A Provincial team are once again Provincial champs defeating the Yorkton Terriers in the final. U15 house teams hosted their home tournament in January, with a total of 12 teams competing over the weekend. There were only 2 suspensions during the U15 house league season. One during a league game and one during the home tournament.

I would like to extend a huge thanks to all the coaches, managers, tournament organizers, parents and players for another great year.

Team Coaches/Managers:

U15AA Broncos

Head Coach – Travis Moen

Assistant coaches – Chris Kirwan, Mackenzie Johnson, Shawn Irwin

Manager – Jodi Willman

Eliminators

Head Coach – Curtis Wills

Assistant coaches – Trevor Schmiess, Steve Moreside, Matt Jarrett

Manager – Terrik Beaudoin

Blades

Head Coach – Leo Pritchard

Assistant coaches – Garnett Unger, Gerald Johnson, Jaret Gader

Manager - Kori Silbernagel

Canucks

Head Coach – Kevin Schafer

Assistant coaches – Brent Millar, Wade Peterson, Shaun Zakaluzny

Manager – Jordan Telke

Capitals

Head Coach – Troy Laforge

Assistant coaches – Jeff Tucker, Will Lowe, Chris Baan

Manager – Andrea Wallace

Provincial Team Coaches

Head Coach - Kevin Schafer

Assistant Coach - Curtis Wills

Assistant Coach - Trevor Schmiess

Manager – Kori Silbernagel

Respectfully submitted,
Mike Olfert

U13: Kirstin Rondeau Division Head:

Date of Report: April 8, 2024

House Teams:

Head Coaches:

SWT AA U13 Broncos

Head Coach: Joe Logan

Assistants - Richie Bleau & Gaetan Girardin

Manager - Shannon Mitchell

Mustangs

Head Coach - Wes Tuplin

Assistants - Ash Turner, Mark Reiter, Blake Deobald*

Manager - Erlene Deobald

Chargers

Head Coach - Ryan Bender

Assistants - DC Jensen, George Tsougrianis & Scott Shaw

Manager - Joel Friesen

Stallions

Head Coach - Ryan Olynick

Assistants - Dade Getzinger, Wade Brown & Ryan St Cyr

Manager - Melinda Dawe

Rustlers

Head Coach - Jeremy Patzer

Assistants - Trent Wagner, Dana Weinbender

Manager - Kendra Folk

Provincial Team

Head Coach - Wes Tuplin

Assistants - Ryan Bender, Ash Turner, Joel Friesen

Manager - Erlene Deobald

Discipline/Concerns:

Concerns how we handled U13 AA Bronco situation and how to handle playing time complaints moving forward. This was discussed and situation communicated from several Board members to the Head Coach as well Risk Management involved to resolve the situation.

Updates:U13 AA won the South League...congratulations coaches and players!

U11: Paul Hegglin

Date of Report: April 5, 2024

U11 Minor Hockey had 72 kids in total registered, split into 5 teams that competed in the South West Saskatchewan Hockey League. Out of 12 teams in the league, our teams respectively finished in the regular season in 1st, 2nd, 4th, 5th, and 7th place. Home tournament was held in February, with a total of 12 teams participating. Carded team made up from the 5 teams also competed in various tournaments throughout the winter on designated carded tournaments, as well as co-hosted their own tournament with the U11 Carded crew. Kids that did not play in the carded program were given the opportunity for ice in Swift Current, where 3 on 3 mini games were organized.

A big thank you to all Coaches, Managers, tournament organizers, parents and players for a great season.

U9: Anne Ailsby
Nothing to report.

U7: James Willett
Division Head: James Willett
Nothing to report

Legionnaire/ Wildcat liaison Larry Empey

Date of Report: Apr 8/2024

Head Coaches: Todd Hornung/ Terry Pavely

Updates: The Legionnaire's and the Wildcats have completed their playoff run and currently preparing for their Spring camps. Both head coaches will remain with their respective teams and they are finalizing their support staff for upcoming season.

The Wildcat spring camp will be April 19-20

The Legionnaire camp will be April 27-28

Questions: The legionnaire group has asked where their portion of the SCMHA jersey fees goes? They are unsure if they fall in same caliber as the rest of minor hockey and should they be getting some funding thru minor hockey like the rest of the teams, could we get some explanation on this.

Respectfully Submitted
Larry Empey

Sr. Female: Rej Stringer
Date: April 08th 2024
Nothing to Report

Jr. Female: Adrian Chubaty

Date of Report: Apr 8, 2024

Updates:

Discipline/Concerns: There was a concern brought to my attention with regards to team funds allocated to a non-parent coach. A team paid for a team jacket and one night in a hotel. The amount worked out to \$17/player. I told the coach/manager that I thought this was an appropriate use of funds but would seek the opinion of the board.

I feel that the addition of a committed non-parent coach, many of whom are former high level male/female athletes, is a benefit to any team and we as an association should try to attract these coaches to add to our coaching pool.

Motions: I move that every team U11 and up set aside \$500 for non-parent coaches to be used at the discretion of the coach/manager. These funds would be used to offset expenses (meals, fuel, accommodation etc) incurred by these coaches. Receipts to be submitted to the team for reimbursement. If there is no non-parent coach the funds can be returned to the parents at the end of the season.

Respectfully Submitted,

Adrian Chubaty

Registration: Dave Smith
Nothing to Report

Officials: Ian Schafer

Date of Report: April 5, 2024

Discipline/Concerns: None

Updates:

- Final Metrics
 - o 94 registered officials in SCMHA
 - o 625 games assigned
 - o 1,938 slots filled
- Playoff assignments went fairly smooth with minimal travel of officials; with the exception of finals where neutral referees must be used
- There were a lot of new faces in stripes around the rink this season so kudos to some of the older officials in helping out with supervisions and shadows on the ice
- I've received some feedback from hockey parents on when registration opens up for next year so it's really rewarding to the group that new officials are starting next year as well as the returning young officials

Equipment: *Jamie LeBlanc*

DATE: April 10, 2024

Update:

Most jerseys have been returned and minimal issues thus far. Reminder to not drop off at my work but to make arrangements to leave at the rink.

All divisions have now been switched over to the newest SCMHA sweater design. There will need to be a few replacements starting to happen as the oldest jerseys are beginning to see some wear, but overall they are holding up well.

Concerns/Issues:

We need to look at updating some of the U9 goalie gear in the next year as some is starting to become old and dated. I believe there is a grant opportunity available.

One team in U11 kept their sweaters with the players for the year, which is not allowed per SCMHA rules and regulations. All teams are required to have a jersey parent to wash and ensure the sweaters are not used inappropriately.

One player in U9 had a namebar sewn on their jersey, which is also against SCMHA rules. They purchased the sweater and is theirs to keep. They will have the opportunity to continue using that sweater for future SCMHA events.

The male and female rep teams were late getting their sweaters and socks this year due to the delayed bidding process. Hopefully this is rectified for future purchases.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jamie LeBlanc

Risk Management/Progressive Discipline: Shawn Irwin
Nothing to report

12. Next Meeting:

Monday (TBD) 2024 Walker Place. 7:00 P.M.

13. Adjournment: Dave Smith