

**Swift Current Minor Hockey Association
Monthly Meeting Minutes –Nov 06th 2019
Walker Place**

1. Call to Order

Aaron Bakus called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

2. Roll Call/Regrets

Present: Aaron Bakus, Greg Hurrell, Rej Stringer, Nola Smith, Gerald Johnson, Darwin Knelsen. ***Eric Bloom, Brad Torry, Blair Simpson, Ryan Baker. Brad Carlson, Wade Lacher, Vaughn Penley, Brent Stech, Dave Smith.***

Regrets: Cheyenne Arntsen, Larry Empey, Colby Rennie, Chris Keleher, Mike Dudley

3. Motion to accept the Agenda as presented .*Dave Smith Seconded by Darwin Knelsen Carried*

4. Minutes – from Oct 09th 2019.

Motion to accept the minutes from previous meeting as presented made by Dave Smith Seconded by Rej Stringer. Carried.

5. Old Business: Goalie/Coach Proposal. Presented by Gerald Johnson

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SCMHA Board of Directors

RE: Swift Current Minor Hockey Goalie Coach

- SCMHA to seek out a minor hockey goalie coach (Greg Kleevgard and one or two assistants) with honorariums TBD
- Provide 2 -3 hrs/ 2x a month split between 2-3 groups of goalies from September – March
- Break groups into 0.75 - 1 hr for Novice/Atom, and 0.75 - 1 hr Pee Wee/Bantam depending on abilities and numbers
- Can use a portion of the ice during practice times when Initiation/Novice have only 1 team on the ice, or a time slot to the goalies themselves (4pm or 6:30 am)
- Benefits will be better instruction than many of our non-goalie coaches can offer, learning fundamentals, basic movements at younger age, consistent messages throughout career resulting in stronger goaltending throughout association for the long term and a continued success of SCMHA teams.
- Families of goalies can receive high quality consistent instruction without leaving town
- Coaches (many of which aren't comfortable coaching goalies) won't need to spend as much time specifically with goalies during practices, and the goalies can practice and work on skills learned from proper coaching. Goalie coach would provide team coaches with summary and basics to keep up the skills learned during goalie practice
- This will save the local goalie coaches from helping goalies on a team by team basis
- SCMHA to cover ice costs, no add'l charge (or minimal) to goalies – costs are covered by divisions allowance or a fee increase of \$5-\$10 per SCMHA player. Funds could be taken from teams ice allocation, similar to how we pay for outside power skating instruction
- Out of town goalies could attend if vacancies exist (cost tbd)

Interest

- ? Novice, 7 Atom Boys, 3-4 PeeWee Boys, 3 Bantam Boys, 5 Midget Boys, 4-5 Jr. Girls, 1 Sr Girl

Action

- Seek a willing SCMHA goalie coach (Greg Kleevgard)
- Set budget – 6 hours of ice/month for Nov – Feb
- Offer position
- Schedule time slots beginning at Greg's convenience (November – April)

Thanks for considering this,
Yours in Hockey,
Gerald Johnson

This will be implemented and monitored by Gerald. Nola will contact Greg to ascertain ice times. Minor Hockey will attempt to find ice time to use and parents to

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pay for the Instructors time by honorarium. Program will be reviewed in the fall by Board.

6. New Business

Zone 3 Meeting in Gravelbourg, Sask was attended by President Aaron Bakus. Kelly McClintok asked about the AP system if it should be changed. Aaron showed Kelly our system and that Gull Lake has also adopted our AP system which he thought was very good. Greg Haubrich informed Aaron he will be seeking another term as the Zone 3 Rep for SHA.

Nola informed the Board regarding the ice schedule and that Rep teams usually get 2 practices a week and House League teams get 1 ice team practice per week depending on game schedules. It usually works out but there are times when some teams get more practices than others depending on game schedules and it all works out in the end. It has been difficult to book every team practices during the World Under 17 Tournament and some teams have to go out of town for practices which Minor Hockey has paid for, however this will cease after the World Under 17 Tournament is over. If teams want to book practices out of town they may do so but will be paid from Team fees and not Minor Hockey. Division Heads to inform teams. If there is a discrepancy the Division Head will contact the Ice Scheduler to resolve the issue.

There has been issues with local Equipment suppliers not knowing the proper Rules regarding the Standard Team clothing and Sponsors. This was discussed at length by the Board. The Rules & Regulations will be amended to reflect that Only AAA/AA teams may show team sponsors on team clothing. All house league teams will show the SCMHA Logo only and follow the guidelines set out for team clothing in our Rules & Regulations. Next season the local businesses will supply minor hockey with standardized team clothing and price lists for all they wish to provide and teams can select whoever they wish to provide the clothing as long as it meets the SCMHA guidelines set out in our rules and Regulations. This should alleviate any further discussion regarding what can be purchased and what cannot be purchased.

As SHA has dictated to all Minor Hockey Associations in the Province that AAA Female/Male teams cannot hold Spring camps until after SHA Zone camps which is April 20th this puts us having to keep an ice surface open in Swift Current. The City and Minor Hockey have agreed to keep 1 ice surface open as long as SCMHA is willing to use the facility for a minimum of 80hrs. Therefore we must come up with ideas on how to utilize this ice time by as many means as necessary. The Board discussed on how we will accomplish this and utilize the ice to meet the requirement. Further discussion is forthcoming .

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Gerald Johnson wanted to discuss the dressing room allocation at the Fairview Arenas as there have been times there are insufficient rooms available to use on weekends. The matter was brought to the attention of the Manager of Arena's Chris Poole and he will instruct his staff to ensure there are sufficient room available for use. It has been trying during the World Under 17 Tournament and so many games being played but this should level out this weekend when the tournament wraps up.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

7. Financial Report: Eric Bloom (Present)

Eric presented the up to date financial report. Motion to accept seconded, Carried.

8. Reports

Registration –Dave Smith (Present)

We currently have 618 players registered with SCMHA

Risk Management/Progressive Discipline - Colby Rennie (Not Present)

Nothing to Report

Referee Liaison Report – Mike Dudley (Not Present)

Date: Nov 6, 2019

Report by: _Mike Dudley

Swift Current Referee Association (SCRA) Report for Swift Current Minor Hockey

Updates: Next Swift Current official clinic will be held Nov 13 at Irwin School 5:30 p.m. start.

The association has started using the Grassroots program through SHA. It's used to evaluate and mentor officials and is set up to help monitor their evaluations and track progress.

Discipline/ Concerns: Nothing to report

Questions: None

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Equipment Manager- Darwin Knelsen (Present)

Nothing to Report. All teams have been given Team Jersey's and Bags for the season. Some teams were requesting a third set of Jersey's to use for Provincial teams however there not enough sets so teams will use Jerseys they have for Provincials.

Initiation – Gerald Johnson (Present)

Division: Initiation

Division Head: Gerald Johnson

Date of Report: November 6, 2019

Number of Teams: 8

Number of Participants: 120

Head Coaches: Chad Kozun, Cory Tynning, Blaine Haubrich, Gerod Wiens, Bret Neuman, Scott Cassidy, Dustin Reamer, Brad Ruf

Discipline/Concerns:

Celebrations:

- Lindsay Gates – Tournament Chair
- 9 teams invited to tournament (would be nice to have 1 more)
- \$650 entry for 5 games March 14/15
- Al Fournier of SHA observed and mentored practices on Nov.2nd.

Updates:

- 35 Female, 85 Male
- 50 2013's, 53 2014's, 17 2015's
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Motions:

Respectfully Submitted;



Gerald Johnson Initiation Division Head
Swift Current Minor Hockey Association

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Division: Novice (Ryan Baker-Present)

Division: Novice

Division Head: Ryan Baker

Date of Report: Nov 5, 2019

Discipline/Concerns: Nothing to report at this time.

Updates:

Teams selected, season underway, working on home tournament.

12 team home tournament, Novice female team has opted out so we will be accepting 5 out of town teams. Entry fee set at 1250.00 to cover ice/refs/building fee.

Questions:

Sheldon Kennedy Classic?

Tournament reimbursement?

Novice female team unsure if they want to play games vs. Co-ed after Christmas? Scheduling?

Sheldon Kennedy Classic was discussed. This should be organized by the City of Swift Current not SCMHA. We will obtain the Permit from SHA but it is not up to us to organize the tournament.

ATOM Division- Chris Keleher (Present)

Date of Report: November 6, 2019 Head Coaches: Kevin Leshures, Gerald Johnson, Shayne Powell, Jordan Telke and Mike Whitney

Discipline/Concerns: One of the Atom Bandits goalies is struggling. For the next little bit, he will practice only until he is more comfortable in the net. There was also concerns about the head coach arriving late to practices and games. I spoke with him and encouraged him to let his assistant coaches know when he will be late or away. The coach is also trying to change his work schedule to be able to get to the earlier practices.

Updates:

Teams are well into their season now. As of today, the Rangers and Ice Wolves have records of 1-2, the Bandits are 1-3 and the Outlaws are 0-2. The AA Broncos record sits at 3-1 in league play and 4-1 in tournament play. Kevin is very happy with the team so far.

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The Atom B Tournament is full at 12 teams. I have approached Nola with a mock schedule for a 16 team tournament as we have had lots of interest.

Questions:

None at this time.

Motions (these were incomplete at our last meeting): I would like to make a motion to accept the following people as Assistant Coaches and Managers for the 2019/2020 season: Bandits (Shayne Powell) Assistant Coach – Terry Monson Assistant Coach – Terik Beaudin Manager – Curtis Argue

Ice Wolves (Telke) Assistant Coach – Mark Plewis Assistant Coach – Brent Millar Assistant Coach – Trent McCleary

Pee Wee- Division (Vaughn Penley Present)

Date of Report: November 6, 2019

Head Coaches:

SWT Peewee AA Broncos -Jeremy Rondeau

SCMHA Chargers- Terrik Beaudoin

SCMHA Rustlers- Ryan Schroeder

SCMHA Stallions- Garnett Unger

SCMHA Mustangs- Curtis Newton

Discipline/Concerns: Minor- Ap process discussions with coaches. AA player Ice time. Practice allocations.

Updates: All teams have started practicing and playing. No issues so far. Tournament committee has been formed and will meet for the first time November 7th. Tournaments are full and teams have paid entry fees. Provincial team has applied for 2 tournaments. Coach acceptance and team selection will take place over the next 2 weeks.

Tournament dates:

AA- December 6-8 2019

House A- Jan 17-19 2020

All Team staff has been approved; certification verified.

Motions For-

Motion to accept Terrik Beaudoin as Provincial head coach, Sherry Moberg-Manager. Motion Seconded Carried.

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Bantam-Brent Stechyshyn (Present)

Date of Report: Nov 5, 2019

Number of Participants: There are 47 kids registered in Bantam House this season. Three Bantam House Teams this season.

Head Coaches: Cory Winslow Bantam Capitals, Trampus Lacelle Bantam Blades, Dustin Hawkins Bantam Eliminators.

Discipline/Concerns: Concern with AP process and better ways to handle situations that come up unexpectedly.

Updates: League games have started, with a few major injuries. Bantam home tourney is Jan 31 to Feb 2/2020 Tournament is officially FULL. Teams include Warman, 2 Estevan teams, Melville, Regina, Eston, Aberdeen, Redcliff, Calgary and SC House Teams attending. I have already received 5 of 9 tourney fees.
Bantam Provincial update: I have entered the team for two tournaments, Great Falls and Medicine Hat. I am waiting to see if Swift Current get's accepted.

Questions: What is SCMHA position on hitting in Bantam Hockey for future Seasons. I have been called from other Minor Hockey Teams asking.

Motions: Motion on the table to select the Bantam Provincial coach for 2019-2020 hockey season. Motion made to accept Steve Michaluk as head coach for the Bantam Provincial Team. Seconded. Carried.

Midget Division – Brad Torry (Present)

Division Head: *Brad Torry*

Date of Report: November 6, 2019

Head Coaches: Midget AA- Chris Keleher
Wild - Ed Watson
Mustangs - Jason Silzer
Knights - Mike Dudley

Discipline/Concerns: None.

Updates: None.

Questions: None.

Motions: Midget provincial team coaches. Motion to accept Ed Watson as Head coach for the Midget Provincial Team. Seconded Carried.

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Jr. Female – Rejean Stringer (Present)

Division Head: *Rej Stinger*

Date of Report: November 6, 2019

Discipline/Concerns: None.

Updates: None.

Questions: None.

All teams in Junior Female are running well at this point.

Sr.Female Division- Brad Carlson (Present)

Date of Report: November 6th, 2019

Head Coaches: Midget AAA- *Terry Pavely 18 players*
Midget AA- *Wade Lacher 17 players*
Bantam AA- *Cheyenne Arntsen 17 players*
Bantam A- *Larry Emphy 18 players*

Discipline/Concerns: Nothing to report at this time.

Updates: The Midget female AAA Wildcats have continued their strong league play and currently sit with a 6-0-1 record in seven games played. This is good for twenty points and first place in the SFMAAHL. They have four players in the top five of league scoring. The Midget female AA Wildcats currently sit with a 3-2 record after five games played. They have six points and sit in third in the south division. The Bantam female AA Wildcats currently sit with a 3-0-2 record. This is good for eight points and third in their league. The Bantam female A Colts currently sit with a 4-2 record. This is good for eight points and second place in the south division. The Midget AAA have this weekend off. The other three teams are attending the Regina Female Hockey Challenge this weekend starting on Friday. Good luck to all the teams!

Questions: Nothing to report at this time

Motions: Nothing to report at this time

Respectfully Submitted Brad Carlson

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Legionnaires-Larry Empey (Not Present)

Date of Report: Nov 06th 2019

Head Coaches: Darren Evjen

Updates: We were informed that Darren will not be returning as Head Coach for the 2020/2021 Hockey Season. He will be staying on as an assistant or whatever capacity the Head Coach wishes him to fill. It is business as usual for this season. Job posting has been placed on the SMAAAHL and SHA website with an end date of Nov 30th 2019.

Discipline/Concerns: None

Celebrations:

Questions: none

Motions: none

Respectfully Submitted
Larry Empey

Past-President – Wade Lacher (Present)

Nothing to report

President – Aaron Bakus

9. Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be a supper meeting to be determined place and time.

10. Meeting adjournment: Dave Smith.

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