

Swift Current Minor Hockey Association
Monthly Meeting Minutes – Monday September 23rd, 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, Mike Olfert, Anne Ailsby, Ian Schafer, Ryan Hamilton, Bryce Dureault, Kirstin Rondeau, Adrian Chubaty, , Cory Zacharias, Eric Bloom, Dave & Nola Smith, Shawn Irwin

Regrets: Vaughn Penley, Stephen Unger, Cheyenne Arntsen, James Willett Linday Gates, Jaimie Leblanc

3. Additions/Adoption of Agenda: Dave Smith moved to accept Agenda, Seconded by Paul Hegglin, Carried.

4. Acceptance of Minutes from Monday Sept 9th, 2024.

Larry Empey moved to accept the minutes, seconded by Anne Ailsby. Carried

5. Old Business:

Team numbers in each Division Please see Division Reports.

Selection of Assistant Coaches and Managers for AA Teams. Please see report for AA Liaison.

Sponsorship Proposal submitted by Lindsay Gates was discussed and was tabled until next meeting.

SSHL Fall Meeting. Paul gave report on the meeting.

Safe Places Contract will be signed as they will be responsible for all members certification. Requested each Division Head send Safe Places a copy of all Team coaches and team officials to ensure they are compliant with policy.

Brad Torry updated board on entering agreements with City going forward and that we will ensure a contract is in place to satisfy our needs with financial placements. There is money being held by the city on our behalf with interest when the upgrades become feasible for S3 arena.

6. New Business

Scott Cassidy attended the Board meeting a presented a cheque from proceeds from the Hockey Hall of Fame Induction dinner. Proceeds were split between SCMHA and the new Recreation Building fund.

Brad requested a motion to open a new account for Lottery Licenses. Motion made, seconded and carried.

7. Communications: Southwest Saskatchewan Hockey League Fall 2024 AGM
September 17th at 7:00 pm SWT Centre, Kincaid, SK

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Introductions: Meeting called to order at 7:15pm, roundtable introductions 2. Adoption of Agenda (motion: Maple Creek, second: Gravelbourg, carried) 3. Previous Meeting Minutes - Spring 2024 AGM (April 10, 2024) (motion: Maple Creek, second: Shaunavon, carried) 4. Financial Report – as presented by Tracey Stenson, Treasurer (motion: Maple Creek, second: Mossbank, carried) 5. President Report - Dave Gavelin will fulfill the President role for Gravelbourg. Nothing to report 6. Commissioner Reports – - U11 (Mossbank) Rob Rutko, nothing to report - U13 (Kincaid) Gaetan Girardin, nothing to report - U15 (Glentworth) Cole Labbee, nothing to report - U18 (Cabri) Neil Block – brought up the issue of forfeits and that teams need to take it seriously due to the impact on small towns, the rinks. Remind teams there is a fine for forfeits and travelling teams having to pay ice & ref costs, added to new business 7. New Business 1) Scheduling meeting dates – - ice times to be sent to Tracey Stenson no less than 2 days prior to the scheduling meeting (minimum of 20 ice times per team). - Associations wanting flexibility with scheduling to schedule home games on the same day due to reffing challenges and coordinate away games due to travel. - Online scheduling program has a cost, used last year as a trial by the creator and Tracey Stenson for a reduced fee. - Motion for in-person scheduling meetings, will follow the scheduling format but allow teams the opportunity to make changes (agreed upon) after the picks are done and prior to schedules being finalized and sent to the website. (Motion: Cabri, second: Assiniboia, carried - there were 4 opposed) U18 Scheduling meeting – 7 teams - Tues Oct 1st at 7pm in Ponteix. (Swift Current X2, Shaunavon, Maple Creek, Assiniboia, Mossbank, Wood River) U15 Scheduling meeting – 8 teams – Mon Oct 7th at 7pm in Ponteix (Swift Current X2, Maple Creek, Cabri/Gull Lake, Gravelbourg, Wood River, Assiniboia, Eastend) U13 Scheduling meeting – 12 teams. Thurs Oct 10th at 7pm in Ponteix (Swift Current X4, Gull Lake, Maple Creek, Herbert, Eastend/Frontier, Shaunavon, Kincaid/Gravelbourg, Lafleche, Glentworth/Rockglen) 1) Scheduling meeting dates (continued) U11 Scheduling Meeting – Wed Oct 16th at 7pm in Shaunavon (Swift Current X4, Maple Creek, Frontier, Cabri, Ponteix, Herbert, Eastend, Shaunavon X1 or 2, Gull Lake, Wood River) 2) Forfeits – motion to increase fine to \$1000 (SSHL rule 6c) (motion: Mossbank, second: Maple Creek, carried) 3) Ian Schafer, Hockey Sask – Grassroots Officiating rep for southwest - discussion about implementing Green arm band initiative for referees under 16 and impact on maltreatment sanctions (double) for incidents with those officials -Officiating clinic dates are posted on the website: <https://hockeysask.ca/officials> 4) Overage Player Requests – for review by the executive following the AGM - Herbert U13 – application submitted – approved by Executive 8. Old Business 1) Scholarship for U18 Graduating members - \$500 scholarship towards post-secondary education for a graduating U18 player in SSHL. Was to be awarded for the 2023-24 season, there were no applications. - Gravelbourg proposed the scholarship be named after Vinny Pinnsonneault who was a U18 player that passed away in June 2023. 5) Fines and Memberships - regrets were sent from Central Butte for the Fall AGM. According to the Constitution, Central Butte's bond will be absorbed; they will be removed from the league and need to apply to be reinstated. (motion: Gravelbourg, second Maple Creek, carried). Dave Gavelin to follow up - regrets were sent from Frontier, it was noted that their bond was absorbed previous season so they will need to be reinstated and pay the bond. Motion to reinstate Frontier and add them back to the executive rotation. (motion: Maple Creek, second: Shaunavon, carried) Dave Gavelin to follow up 9. Next meeting date – Spring AGM – April 2025 Meeting Adjourned 8:40pm Chad Smith – Cabri Mike Jahnke – Herbert Dan Weppler – Herbert Kelly Thingvold – Ponteix Ian Schafer – Hockey Sask Paul Hegglin – Swift Current Greg Lundsten – Eastend Garnet Stevenson – Shaunavon Ashley Taylor – Eastend Dustin Dewulf - Lafleche Jason Letnes – Mossbank Trevor Thompson - Assiniboia Allen Powell – Assiniboia Wayne Girodat – Gull Lake Cole Labbee - Glentworth Neil Block - Cabri Jordan Brisebois –

Gravelbourg Brody Loverin – Kincaid Candace Brisebois – Kincaid Tracey Stenson – Gull Lake Kristin Hay – Maple Creek Dave Gavelin – Gravelbourg Kristin Hay – Maple Creek Ryan Brown – Maple Cree

11. Financial Report:

Eric Bloom submitted budget. Right on track for this season. Motion to accept, seconded and carried .

12. Division Reports:

U18 Division Report

Division Head: Cory Zacharias

55 total players registered

4 kids have inquired about late registration I think have now registered

5 requests for a refund

AA team has final roster Completed

31 skaters and 5 goalies for house league (2 teams)

Evaluations this weekend Sept 28 and 29

Mike Smith has committed to coach one team

Gerald Johnson and Lane Francis have both offered to head coach second team

U18 Tournament Cabri November 23,24 and 25

Chairs- Gerald Johnson and Kim Lacelle

Just waiting for 2 more teams to register

U18 Knights

Head Coach:

Assistants:

Trainer:

Manager:

U18 Wild

Head Coach:

Assistants:

Manager:

Provincial Team

Head Coach:

Asst Coaches:

Manager

Discipline/ Concerns:

Updates:

Respectfully submitted,

U15: Division Head: Mike Olfert

Date of Report:

Date of Report: Sep 23rd, 2024

Team Coaches/Managers:

Eliminators / Capitals

Head Coach –

Assistant coaches –

Manager –

Blades / Canucks

Head Coach –

Assistant coaches –

Manager –

Discipline/ Concerns:

Updates:

- 47 total players registered
- 8 of those that made the U15AA team
- 4 kids looking to register late
- 3 kids ask to withdraw their registration and the refunds have all been completed
- 41 skaters and 6 goalies for 3 house league teams (13.6 skaters per team)
- Ryan Baker has committed to coach one team.
- Evaluations start Sept 28th & 29th
- 2 goalies were cut from house league (Chase Dyrland & Owen Ruehs)
- Maple Creek is still interested in taking 1 or 2 goalies. They are willing to let them play for free and only attend games if Swift is willing to let them practice in town. Brad has talked to Sask Hockey and they are ok with these 1-2 goalies being allowed to practice with the U13 house teams.
- Home tournament scheduled for Jan 24th – 26th, 2025. Interest has started to really pick up. Have 3 teams committed (waiting for payment), with lots of others inquiring an wanting registration forms.

Motions:

- Motion to purchase a gift card for Greg Klevgaard for \$50 for helping plan and run the goalie evaluation. Motion Seconded and Carried
- Motion to purchase a gift card for Rylan Mckinnon for \$25 for helping with the goalie evaluation. Motion Seconded and Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

U13: Stephen Unger Division Head: Not in attendance. Report submitted by Paul Hegglin

Date of Report: September 23, 2024

Evaluations start September 28, still in need of coaches. This may change after AA cuts.
Tournament one team away from being full.
Possibility of 4 Teams in this division.

U11: Paul Hegglin

Date of Report: September 23, 2024

Evaluations ready to, 4 head coaches have put their names forward with assistants for each:

Ice Wolves
Mike Piche-Head Coach
Chad Duckworth-Assistant Coach

Rangers

Jerrold Schafer-Head Coach
Dillon Currie-Assistant Coach

Bandits

Nathan Wiebe-Head Coach
Cass Hudson-Assistant Coach

Outlaws

Joel Rodgers-Head Coach
Scott Cassidy-Assistant Coach

U9: Bryce Dureault

Division Updates:

U9 Free Skate start this weekend (Sept 28 & 29), Evaluations start Oct 5 & 6, Head Coaches and Assistant Coaches have put their names forward for review by board:

U9: Team 1: Meagan Graham (Head Coach), Brian Fleury (Asst. Coach)
Team 2: Craig Cuthbert (Head Coach), Chad Macleod (Asst. Coach)

Team 3: Sean Cuthbert (Head Coach), Jason Gerlach (Asst. Coach)

Team 4: Cory Tynning (Head Coach), TBD

Team 5: Stefan Rumpel (Head Coach), TBD

Tournament Committee – TBD

U9F: 16 Registrations (U11 AP's – 2 or 3 players) (1 drop to U7)

Candace Andrews (Head Coach), Nash Fontaine (Asst. Coach)

U9C: Team Coaches/Manager: Craig Cuthbert (Head)

Questions/Concerns:

- Banking – Account holder transfer for tournament registration fees, etc. require form and a co-signer. Done
- Evaluation Sheets/Template for Evaluation weekend
- Team Building Excel Template for post Evals.

Regards,

Bryce Dureault

U7: James Willett

Division Head: James Willett

Date of Report: Sept 9, 2024

Updates:

90 Registrations but waiting on updated data. This number is still as of August 19. Several others have reached out for late registration. Likely number closer to 95.

7 teams for U7 division (same number as 2023-2024).

Tournament Committee - TBD

Regards,

James Willett

Legionnaire/ Wildcat Liaison Larry Empey

Division: AAA U18 Male/Female report

Date of Report: Mar. 23/2024

Head Coaches: Todd Hornung/ Terry Pavely

Updates: The Legionnaire's and Wildcat's are both into the Regular season. The Legion starts their league Saturday Sept 28 and plays at home of Sept 29 against Moosejaw where they will be doing a trial of selling alcohol thru the Broncos. We will keep all informed how this goes.

The Wildcats go on the road to open Sept 28, and host PA at home on Sept 29 to open their season as well.

Respectfully Submitted

Larry Empey

Sr. Female: Adrian Chubaty

Date of Report: Sept 22, 2024

Updates: U15A: 28 skaters, 2 goalies.

With such a big number I was forced to either find another spot for 10-14 players in U18 at home and out of town, or run a team of 28. Fortunately I was able to have a U18 goalie moved down to U15 to play as an overage. This allows me to have 2 teams at the U15A level. This leaves our U18 group on the smaller side but I'm still working on getting a few more kids and they will use AP's from both U15 teams. The overage goalie will not be eligible for playoffs but I feel that this is the best scenario for everyone. Scheduling was done last night. Mike Whitney and Clint Busse have stepped up to head coach the two teams.

U18A: 12 Skaters 1 goalie

Still working on a couple more players to join this group, also working at nailing down a head coach. There have been more teams added to the league which reduces travel significantly for our girls.

Swift Current Minor Hockey Board,

I would like to request that an exemption be made for Jackie Smith to be the manager of the U18A Colts. Her husband Lyle Smith will be an assistant coach. Initially Mike Whitney was going to coach the team and he already had Jackie performing manager duties. When the plan changed and our team number was reduced it also reduced the number of available coaches and or managers. Given that Jackie was already acting as the manager and almost half of the dads on the team are going to be coaching I would respectfully ask for an exemption to be made.

Sincerely, Davyn Longmore

Motion was Seconded, and Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Adrian Chubaty

Jr. Female: Ryan Hamilton

Date of Report: Sept 23, 2024

House Teams:

- U11 Colts Black
Head Coach: **Garnet Gader**
Assistants:
Manager:

- U11 Colts White
Head Coach: **Brent Siemens**
Assistants:
Manager:

- U13 Colts Black
Head Coach: **Nash Fontaine**
Assistants:
Manager:

- U13 Colts White
Head Coach: **Craig Macfie**
Assistants :
Manager :

Discipline/Concerns : None

Updates:

- U11 - Total of 26 registered including 3 U9 pull-ups. (1 Goalie / 25 skaters)
- I have collected Goalie gear for U11 team #2 from Butter.
- Garnett Gader & Brent Siemens - U11 Head coaches
- U13 - Total of 26 registered including 2 U11 pull-ups, 4 Gull Lake Females (2 Goalies / 24 skaters)
- Nash Fontaine & Craig Macfie - U13 Head Coaches
- AA U13F Roster is now completed
- Evaluations for both age divisions Sept 27-29th

Motions:

- Motion to allow 3 U9 Female players to come up to play U11 Colts
- Motion to allow ? U11 Female (Co-ed) players to come up and play U13 Colts
- Open registration for the 4 GL U13 girls
- Motion to accept coaches into respective positions

Respectively Submitted,

Ryan Hamilton

Officials: Ian Schafer

Date of Report: September 23, 2024

Updates:

- Registration portal is now open to all ages of officials
- Swift Current junior ref clinic will be held September 28 at Fairview School/S3W
- Green armband initiative to be launched for young officials this fall

Equipment: Jamie LeBlanc

Rep team jerseys and socks have been shipped from supplier.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jamie LeBlanc

Risk Management/Progressive Discipline: Shawn Irwin
Nothing to report

AA Liaison -Kirstin Rondeau

Date of Report: Sept 23, 2024

Head Coaches:

U13AA

Head Coach - Joe Logan
Assistant Coach - Gayton Girardin
Assistant Coach - Brock Hargrave

U13AA Female

Head Coach - Garnet Unger
Assistant Coach - Darren Green
Assistant Coach - Bailey Habscheid
Manager - Trena Fox

U15AA

Head Coach - Curtis Wills
Assistant Coach - Ryan Wallis
Assistant Coach - Justin Williams
Assistant Coach - Cory Hodgins
Manager - Jaime Erickson

U15AA Female

Head Coach - Cheyenne Arntsen
Assistant Coach - Jeremy Rondeau
Assistant Coach - Cory Weinbender
Assistant Coach - Nicole Darby
Assistant Coach - Kelsey McKinnon
Manager - Kirstin Rondeau

U18AA

Head Coach - Neil Johnston
Assistant Coach - Terrik Beaudoin
Assistant Coach - Garth Shervan
Manager - Pam Gedny

U18AA Female

Head Coach - Shayne Stewart
Assistant Coach - Adrian Chubaty
Assistant Coach - Fraser Kochan
Assistant Coach - Andrea Brown
Manager - Crystal Lamotte

Motions were all seconded and carried by the Board.

Discipline/Concerns:

Need to look at changing how we do evaluations next year to make roster deadlines.
AP form - will fillable be available also website has last years form still :Updated on Website
Banking Changeover - letters for new coaches and managers. Updated and sent.

Updates:

All Evaluations are completed.

Motions:

Sponsorship and Fundraising

Lindsay Gates

Date of Report: Sept 21, 2024

Report:

- 50/50 policy enclosed – previously circulated but should be formally adopted (or revisions made and then adopted).
- 50/50 tracker spreadsheet enclosed
- 50/50 licences secured and sent to the following teams:
 - o U18 AAA
 - o U18 AAA Wildcats
 - o U18 AA
 - o U15 AA
 - o U15 AA Wildcats
- Waiting on U18 AA Wildcats because two November games being rescheduled.
- So far, only one team has asked about grant funds (U18 AA Wildcats). I told them the board hasn't decided yet on how grant funds will be handled.
- Met with Dominic LePan of Swift Current Broncos re: fundraising opportunities for teams. Two documents enclosed, to be shared with teams (fundraising) and tourney committees (away teams).
 - o Broncos are also looking for ice crew game day volunteers and Dominic asked if we could spread the word

12. Next Meeting:

Monday October 07th 2024 Walker Place. 7:00 P.M.

13. Adjournment: Dave Smith