VMHA Board Meeting.

August 23, 2023

Attendees: Blair Molsberry, Travis Woywitka, Rob McCulley, Sean Tenant, Kelsey Rose, Brad Wight, Richard Lavoie, Justin Guenther, Brooke Fadden, Jodi Selte, Mitch Visser, Cheryl Westman, Candice Holowaychuk, Carmen Unland, Tori McMillan and Sarah Kastendieck

Meeting called to order at 1903.

Agenda approved by Cheryl, 2nd Carmen

Approval of minutes from April by Richard, 2nd Cheryl

Business from minutes:

Name Bars: individual teams to buy them, all through the same company. Cost to be covered by families.

Presidents Report:

No meeting date set for the NEAHL/NAI. Will continue to have 1 provincial slot and possible wild card.

Casino set for July/Aug/Sept 2024, plan more when get a fundraiser coordinator.

We will not be adding concession shifts back as a bond this year. To late now to try to make all necessary arraignments with Char.

Mannville does not have the numbers to align with our age groups.

U15 female potentially have a goalie, who is also willing to move up to U18. Justin brought forward a possible goalie from Czar. Try to keep 2 if willing to come. U18 male 2 Vermilion kids, both trying out for other teams. U18 females currently have no goalie.

Kidsport winners were Shane Croke and Dustin Farkash- it has been paid for. Travis to arrange new sign to be made.

Jenn Croke is working on a clothing swap night. Not going to be one on Sept 6th. Hopefully early in the season.

Sarah aware of the minor female associations annual meeting on Aug 29th at 7pm. Reminder to register.

Blair attended a meeting with the town and addressed the Arena rumors. At this time the arena will not be closing. There are no plans to do so in the future. Possibility of Rock Senior team returning and will impact Thursday practice schedules moving start time to 16:00. Skating club moved to M, W, F.

VP Business Report:

New jersey sponsor, 3 game day sponsors, 600 pucks sponsored. Starting to fill board sponsorships.

Blair: Diane Bodurka to do sponsor bars and jerseys. 4 sets of jerseys to change. Make this 2 bond positions. 5 teams worth to cover a bond. Travis to email the list of sponsors to Candice to have them added to the website.

VP Development Report:

Kitscoty has 2 maybe 4 players coming, Wainwright 2 u15. Sarah has reached out to Dewberry and Elk Point. U11 can take u13 overage players.

Additional development: Kam on ice ready. Waiting for dates from Jeff.

Need a volunteer to go the east central zoom hockey Alberta meeting.

Mental wellness geared to each age group. Weekly home game schedule will be posted by Katrina. Planning a meeting for bond job descriptions.

Coach Liaison:

No coach course up yet in our area, but they are coming. Tentatively book Coach stream clinic.

Host coach round table with Hockey Alberta to working plus coach packages, no date hopefully early in the year.

U7-1 coach application	U15-male- 6 coaches
U9-10 coaches	U15-female 1 coach Brooke Peden
U11- 11 coaches	U18- 4 coaches
U13- boys- 1 coach	U18-female- 4 coaches

Need to set up meeting within next week. Sarah and Shelia.

Sheila and Blair for the tiering weekend.

Jodi: could we try and do coach clinics at the end of the season vs the start of the season.

Discipline: Sean has online G Form to be attached to website. Can be anonymous. Will be for start of the season.

Treasure report: Tori is wrapping up the books.

Account Balance as of Aug 22,2023 VMHA

Main account \$90,162.94	Common shares \$557.13	Raffle accounts \$0.00.
Casino \$0.00	Team account \$62,578.15	Development account \$19,262.34

Registrar report:

Rob brought forward the registration numbers at this time. See at end of minutes. Updates will need to be made after the tryouts for other organizations are completed. Rob competed the NEAHL registration. James Martin representative. Sept 6th Registration night. VMHA to maybe host the u7-u9 schedule night.

Website:

Registration in done. Send email to Candice if we see any changes we would like made to the website. Updates to be made to the roles of bond positions section.

Equipment:

Board agreed that another set of U7 jerseys are not needed at this time. Try to bring in more appropriate sizes to add to the existing sets. Keep using the old ones second set. U11 got new McDonalds jerseys with same tiger logo. Chase working on the repairs for goalie pads.

AGLC: Blair signed the forms and were sent in.

Fundraiser: Position still open

RIC and Ice Scheduler:

Shae Barlow new town representative. Ref clinic to be Oct 8th. New Refs can find applications on our website and Hockey Alberta site. Date to be added to the website by Candice. Rock hockey 1 practice a week, they may create problems with tournament schedules. Amounts of games for tournament for each division U15- 4 games, U13- 3 games, U11- 3 games, U7/U9- 1 day tournaments. Option to do Friday night games in Mannville. Try to use practice time as a game throughout the week. 10 home games in total.

Bond Report:

Cheryl says all remaining bonds filled at the gala and parade.

Directors:

Possibly make it 2 directors for the larger age groups U7/U9. Age groups designated to existing directors. Stay away from conflicts of interest for age groups. Kelsey: U18 F, Justin/Melissa: U7, Carmen: U9, Brad: U11 M, Brooke: U15 F

Committee Reports:

Blair unable to finalize the updates made to the Handbook. Will try to have same done for the spring.

New Business:

Open positions are 3-5 directors, Fundraiser, Parade (winter only?), Picture day 2 people, 2 gala coordinators, Minor hockey week, Travel permits to be added to the individual teams social media/website persons job. Try to have these filled on Sept 6th at Fall Special.

Round Table:

Sarah: Kidsport North of Edmonton mistakes regarding subsidy payments. Shae with town aware and to fix the payments.

Cheryl: 3 on 3, is it happening? Mitch responded with Yes. Look at doing so in the Christmas/ New Year school break instead of in the fall. Mannville will do theirs in Sept. discussion about best dates. Possibly the 29, 30th of Dec.

Mitch: requested help to make up more user friendly practice sheets. Sarah to help with same.

Jodi: When open ice can we send out a optional shiny game vs paying for unused ice. Yes, great idea was the general consensus.

Blair: Possibly look into doing a Breakfast/Xmas skate. Not many numbers for the early morning skate. There would be additional fees for these to take place.

Next meeting on Sept 6th immediately after the Fall Special which is to be held at 7pm.

Adjournment Carmen at 2128

Registration number and notes:

There is enough U9 girls to make a girls team. Landon Cusack to coach.

We will not ice a u13 girls team. Girls wanted in Kitscoty. Possibly down 5 U13 boys.

Hopefully get girls from Kitscoty for U15 girls. U15 boys team all staying here.

U18 girls 3 possible transfers coming in. 21 boys possibly 4 gone. Need goalies. Move goalies up if needed.

Group	Total	Male	Female
U7	45	29	16
U9	43	31	12
U11 Boys	29	23	6
U11			
Female	4	0	4
U13 Boys	16	14	2
U13			
Female	3	0	3
U15 Boys	15	15	0
U15			
Female	5	0	5
U18 Boys	20	20	0
U18			
Female	14	0	14
Total	194	132	62