VMHA Board Meeting March 7, 2024, at 7:00PM

In Attendance:

Carrie Stark Brooke Fadden Sean Tennant Chris Parchewsky Jodi Selte Rob McCulley Brad Wight Carmen Unland Tori McMillan Blair Molsberry Mitch Visser Amy Eyben Kelsey Rose Sarah Kastendieck

Bailey Snelgrove Melissa Guenthner Candice Young Travis Woywitka

Call To Order:

The meeting was called to order by Blair Molsberry at 7:05 PM.

Approval of Agenda:

Chris Parchewsky made a motion to approve the agenda. Seconded by Carmen Unland. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes:

Amy Eyben made a motion to approve the meeting minutes. Seconded by Rob McCulley. Motion carried.

Presidents Report:

NEAHL AGM is April 13, 2024, hosted in Gibbons, AB, 10:00AM - 4:00PM and a VMHA Board Member needs to attend; Blair Molsberry is planning on attending and anyone else is welcome to attend.

Graduating Player Gifts - Blair Molsberry would like to gift the kids their jersey when they graduate from Minor Hockey. The total cost would approximately be \$125.00 to replace the jersey.

Rob McCulley made a motion to gift all graduating Minor Hockey players their current jersey this year as a surprise and years going forward at a replacement cost of \$125.00/jersey. Seconded by Travis Woywitka. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report :

Account Balances as of February 29 , 2024; VMHA Main Account \$78,354.29 Common Shares \$590.64 Raffle Account 1 \$0.00 Raffle Account 2 \$0.00 Casino \$0.00 Team Account \$110,760.94 Development Account \$6013.84 Jersey Sponsor \$1.05 Tori McMillan made a motion to close Raffle 1 and Raffle 2 accounts as AGLC requires us to funnel all AGLC funds through the Casino Account; so we are no longer using Raffle 1 and 2 Accounts. Seconded by Travis Woywitka. Motion carried.

Rob McCulley made a motion to take the funds from our Plan 24; which is Jersey Sponsorship Funds; and invest the funds in a 1 YR NR or 1 YR Cashable GIC. Seconded by Chris Parchewsky. Motion carried.

Tournament Financials - Bailey reported all our Tournaments were full and it resulted in us making \$89,894.00 which is almost double from last year. VMHA decided they would payout 75% of the 50/50 funds from tournaments to the teams; and this will be an expense of just over \$7000.00.

VP Business Report:

Travis has a few businesses to track down for payment. Team pictures need to be taken to team sponsors by the teams; as a token of our appreciation and to show our thanks for sponsoring our teams. Pictures can be picked up at Twin D Plumbing from Jodi Selte.

VP Development Report:

On ice development sessions with Kam, and Net Science are completed for the season. We are awaiting feedback from Coaches and parents. From what has been discussed so far, things worked well. Some complaints about having to share ice with the Goalie sessions but we knew that would happen, we have decided the development of Goalies in VMH is important and affected Coaches can schedule around. I would like to have another RFP out for on ice development next season.

Mental Health Sessions – three sessions in total, U15, U18, and U18 Female. I recommend having it be mandatory next season for U15-U18 (all teams). The invoice was just under \$1,000.00 as the U18 Female session was donated by the facilitators (The Nest Project). Feedback from Coaches was positive. Feedback from players was mixed. Feedback from parents was positive. Coaches asked for more of these sessions.

Tigers Day – preliminary numbers were good. We have 4 bond positions creating activities for the day. There is also a committee assisting in the planning and execution of the day. March 23, 2024 from 10-5. The committee is excited to try something new and promote Tiger Pride.

Sarah Kastendieck made a motion to send out the RFP for on ice development for next year. Seconded by Brooke Fadden. Motion carried.

Coach Liaison Report:

Checked in with U9 coaches to see how the prep sessions went; they went well, but they are going to move them to the Fall. Mitch has not seen much for evaluations back to him. Candice will send it out on the website and we will have Katrina post the links on Facebook. Evaluation feedback will not be shared until after the Gala; when hockey is fully over.

Registrar's Report:

All fees are paid.

Action: Rob McCulley to look into using Team Snap for registration and payment for next year.

Discipline Report:

Sean worked on a few things around Coach Conduct with Richard Lavoie. Now that hockey is wrapping up nothing more to report.

Website Report:

All is good.

Equipment Report:

Nothing to report.

RIC and Ice Scheduler's Report:

Jr B should make the third round of playoffs, so the schedule is bound to change again for the U11 groups to finish.

Richard is still trying to arrange a game between the refs and the U18 girls and a pizza party for after.

Melissa Guenthner made a motion to purchase pizza for the refs and the U18 girls after their fun game was played. Seconded by Tori McMillan. Motion carried.

AGLC:

Casino is planned for June 2024. We will start planning volunteers soon.

Gala:

Jodi Selte has everything in the works for the Gala. She has a list of 13 people that need to complete their bond cheques; there are 4 U15 parents that are not available that weekend, so she is working with 9 volunteers. Jodi Selte wanted to know if we could cash their bond cheques and use the funds to hire out help to pay for the lack of volunteers for the Gala??

Jodi will have more concrete info soon and will connect with the Managers

Directors:

Melissa Guenthner U7 - Name Bar and Jersey Troubles Again, Good Season, Mom Had the ½ Boards Dropped on Her (Fainted, Cut Herself, Ambulance Called)

Action: Blair Molsberry to look into required insurance for parents moving ½ boards Carmen Unland U9 - Evaluations are Out, Tigers Day Registration is Out, Everyone Liked The Pilot Project

Jenna Betz U11F - Do the U11 Girls Get To Keep Any of Their 50/50 Playoff Funds? Rob McCulley made a motion to pay the 50/50 funds from the Playoff Tournament for U11 at 75% to the teams and 25% to Vermilion Minor Hockey. Seconded by Kelsey Rose. Motion carried. **Brad Wight U11M** - Looking Forward To Playoffs; Tier 4 Wanted To Know if They Get to Practice as Long as Tier 2

Chris Parchewsky U13M - Going Good, Lost Out of PlayOffs, Playing Exhibition Game, Season is Done

Amy Eyben U15F - No News is Good News; Nothing to Report

Dwayne Sheppard U15M - Nothing to Report

Kelsey Rose U18F - Maureen Lehmann has Requested to Be Reimbursed \$300 For Graduating Player Gifts; The Board has Determined That They Need to Use The Funds They Earned During The Year Such as 50/50 or Year End Funds

Brooke Fadden U18M - U18 Good Deeds Need To Be Done for The Rotary Garage Sale; Janice Jackson Will Arrange That For Us; Next Year We Will Make Sure The Rotary Garage Sale is A Good Deed

Bonds:

Jodi Selte had an idea for those that have bond cheques left to fill; we could offer a full day shift for them to work at the U11 year end tournaments.

Bond Cheques will be cashed the week of April 14, 2024.

New Business:

Awards - Stan Hartwell (Nomination), Gary Ferbey Award U11 (U11 Coaches need to pick a U11 player from each team to receive the award (the Gary Ferbey Award criteria is on the VMHA website under the Awards Tab), Kinsmen Award U18 Male (Coach Chosen)

The Stan Hartwell Award is going to also be posted via email by Candice and Facebook by Katrina with a deadline of March 18, 2024, with those nominations to be emailed to <u>cstark2@atb.com</u>.

Board Positions - Main Board Positions Open for 2024; President VP of Development (Mitch Visser Would Consider) Secretary - (Carmen Unland Would Consider) Discipline Director Director Director Director Coach Liaison Ice Scheduler Ref Coordinator

Should we put the Ice Scheduler and Ref Coordinator position out for tender for next season and we need a separate person to Mentor the Refs. We will take the position of Ice Scheduler and Ref Coordinator to the AGM and see if anyone is interested or if parents have some ideas.

Round Table:

Some people have not yet received their pictures?

Could we offer a free registration draw for board member volunteers? Board says No!

One tournament sent the teams back to the hotels with a scavenger hunt; the hotel would have appreciated some notice; or would have preferred not 4 teams in their hotel were asked to do it, as there were kids running everywhere; and they have workers getting up early.

VMHA renting the upstairs for the entire season went very well; teams enjoyed having access for the entire season. VMHA should look into placing a fridge upstairs and getting approval from the Town to do so.

Discussion of where coaches should drink and not drink; appropriate places.....discussion to be had at the coaches meeting at the beginning of next year.

Next Meeting Date:

Next meeting is the AGM; scheduled for Wednesday, March 20, 2024, at 7:00 PM.

Action: Carrie Stark to book the room upstairs in the Stadium for the next meeting on Wednesday, March 20, 2024, at 7:00 PM.

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned by Carmen Unland at 9:20 PM.