

VIKING MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 29, 2023

Meeting called to order at 6:34pm by Jeff Bird in the Louis Sutter Memorial Meeting Room at the Carena

Attendees: Jeff Bird, Laura Bird, Trent Place, Sheila Erickson, Rosanne Morken, Kim Crocker and Tyler Amundson. Not present Jenn Amundson and Shaun Hill

Jeff Bird presented the agenda for the meeting. Laura Bird approved the agenda. Rosanne Morken seconded. All in favor. Carried

Kim Crocker presented the minutes from the June 25, 2023 AGM meeting. Trent Place approved the minutes. Rosanne Morken seconded. All in favor. Carried.

Report from U7 Director: Jenn Amundson was not present however Tyler Amundson stated on her behalf that there was nothing new to report at this time.

Report from U11 Director: Presented by Kim Crocker. Nothing new to report at this time.

Discussion was made for Rosanne Morken to set up a U11 chat in whats app for the upcoming 2023/2024 season until the team director position has been filled. Jenn Amundson will set up a U7 and U9 whats app chat for the upcoming 2023/2024 season until the team director positions have been filled.

Financial Report: Read by Rosanne Morken stating the season is starting off with Total Assets: \$165145.53 Income: \$3888.70 Expenses \$1051.22

Total Income minus expenses totals \$2837.48.

Laura Bird moved that the financial report had been read. Tyler Amundson seconded. All in favor. Carried

Skills/Player Development: Jeff Bird stated that he was looking into using the same skills coach as Shaun Hill's Wings team and planning to have skills the same night so travel expenses could be split between VMH and Wings. Jeff was also looking into having Ashleigh Grantham come back as power skating coach. Expecting to spend about the same as last year for skills which was around \$6000. Donations will be used to help cover these expenses.

Registrar: Presented by Laura Bird. As of right now there are 44 player registration forms submitted for the upcoming 2023/2024 season. Waiting on overage approval for 3 of these players. Waiting on Team Orders from Hockey Alberta to be able to upload the players. Looking into what the expectations will be with the NEAHL league for the U11 team. Reaching out to new players and anyone with expired Respect in Sport so those can be completed. Players will be unable to start playing until Respect in Sport has been completed which is stated by Hockey Alberta guidelines.

Ref Update: Jenn Amundson was not present however Tyler Amundson stated on her behalf that there were currently no updates.

Discussion was made to use U11 players as Refs for the U7 and U9 games if need be. Discussion was also made to advertise for the Ref Course for anyone that is the appropriate age to be able to Ref for the U11

team games. Looking into finding more Ref contacts from surrounding towns as there is a limited amount of Refs to contact locally.

Equipment Update: Trent Place was going to look and see if any of the current equipment needs to be replaced. Jeff Bird stated he was looking into equipment/props to help with skills for the teams such as net targets. Discussion was made to have a equipment swap for anyone in need of new equipment.

Advertising and Sponsorship: Sheila Erickson was applying for the Recreation Grant from the Town of Viking to be used for Power Skating. Will be looking into other forms of Donations/Sponsorships

Casino 50/50: Nothing New to Report currently at this time as Shaun Hill was unable to be present for the meeting.

New Business:

- Apparel: Rosanne suggested practice jerseys for the kids. Would be roughly \$25 per jersey. Now that the apparel lady is independent there was discussion to have her come out to show case her apparel products.
- Coaching Applications: New Form has been created. Received a few applications for U7/U9 coaches. Applicants will be reached out to.
- Condition Camp: Jeff Bird stated he will be hosting a Conditioning Camp Sept 16, 2023 from 10:00-2:00 for U9/U11 players. Exact times per age group will be posted on Whats App chats. Mannville reached out to Jeff Bird and stated they are hosting a 3on3 for any players in VMH that would like to join. \$40 per player. Will be shared on social media as well as Whats App chats.
- NEAHL Governor: Job is to load U11 players into NEAHL website. Tyler Amundson will be the contact for NEAHL.
- Registration Night: September 7, 2023 from 5:00pm-7:00pm. Rosanne and Laura will attend for Viking Minor Hockey
- Town Recreation Grant: Sheila Erickson was applying for it
- Berkley Hafso Donation: Berkley donated \$100 from his sales of homemade Keychains, Lemonade and Treats to the U9 Gas King Team. Thank you will be posted via social media.
- Picture Day: Set for October 18 @ 4:00pm.
- Fundraising: Kelsey Place will take on this job. VMH will be selling Cowboy Caviar Jerky as one of their fundraisers again. Looking into other fundraising options.

Discussion was made about U7 and U9 tournaments dates as well as ice times for Home Games for the U7, U9, and U11 teams. Ice Scheduler has been previously contacted about those. Jeff Bird will reach out to Ice Scheduler to confirm that these dates have been set. U11 and U9 Teams will be starting their 2023/2024 season on September 25, 2023. Practice times are Monday and Wednesdays.

Mondays U7 @ 5:30pm, U9 @ 6:30pm, U11 @ 7:30pm. Wednesday U7/U9 @ 4:45pm and U11 @ 5:45pm

Next Meeting Date: September 27, 2023 @ 6:00pm.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:23pm

