



WMHA Board Minutes

Thursday, September 19, 2024 - 7pm @ Wetaskiwin Legion

Call to Order: 6:33pm

Attendance: Jody Dickau, Derek Johnson, Dan Dickau, Chantelle Starcevic, Denni Speth, Tammy Hardie, Kyle Fecho, Sheldon Hamel, Shawn Lipka, Melinda Zander, Katie Slevinsky, Mike Johnson, Jenn Humbke, Donny Wheele, Tanner Maygard, Shawn Schmuland, Bonnie Dickau, Jordan Maygard, Brandon Humbke.

Regrets: Mac Anderson, Jamie Menard

Review of August Minutes: Motion to accept by Chantelle, seconded by Brandon. Carried.

Agenda Items:

- Code of conduct towards board members: Derek. Document any issues, submit to Derek and discipline committee.
- Ice Scheduling: Jenn: Communication web and priority web for ice issues and booking ice.
- Wheele Goalie Proposal: Wheele Goalie Final Proposal. Brandon made a motion to accept Wheel Goalie Proposal \$4707.60 Tanner second, carried.
- Total Hockey Training Centre - Coaching Proposal: tabled
- CAHL AGM Update: Dan- Governor deadline is Sept 21. Affiliate 10 game rule. Cold weather update - both teams have to agree. Home team can decide and both teams share the cost, also needing approval from the CAHL Director.
- Outside use of WMHA equipment: Derek- Derek will speak to outside groups on courtesy.

Executive Reports:

Jody Dickau, President:

- K. Cross requesting a new release to Millet.
Motion by D. Johnson; Seconded by J. Maygard. Carried.

Dan Dickau, Vice President (Operations):

- Nothing further.

Derek Johnson, Vice President (Discipline & Risk):

- Coordinators: Notify all coaches to keep all equipment organized and putaway.
- Arena does not have storage for old small nets; they will be donated.
 - Working on storage for our equipment in the arenas. Need storage for HOTG materials and development equipment.

- Install a new more permanent structure under the stairs in Arena 2. It will be on wheels with locking compartments in various sizes. Install a 3' by 3' box by visitor bench in Arena 1 with a bracket above to hold bumper pads.
- Quote to build a large cabinet came in at \$5,000.00. Securing builder.
- Discussion re: funds to build structure. \$7,500.00 coming from Icemen for new clocks. Still in discussions with Longhorns. Hart of the Game will provide some funds for storage structure.
- *Motion to build a storage structure at the quoted price of \$5,000.00 to be built by Dylan Humbke made by D. Wheel; seconded by M. Johnson. Carried.*
- New stick holders are being installed in dressing rooms. Dressing rooms 3 and 4 are done. Stick holders donated by Dream Team Custom Farming.
- Coach boards in Arena 2 to be installed.
- Cabinet outside WMHA office should be done in the next few days.
- Moose Hall booked for Managers Meeting October 3rd, 2024 at 7:00 pm.
 - Derek will facilitate meeting.

Denni Speth, Treasurer:

- Shared financial accounting.
- Registration amounts are based on current registrations and fees paid.
- HOTG financial accounting shared.
- New score clocks are paid in full.
- All registration fees are due in full November 15, 2024. Volunteer fees are overdue now.

Chantelle Starcevic, Registrar:

- Still waiting on a few transfers. Waiting on information.
- Affiliate Players: Roster is a maximum of 18 skaters, 2 goalies. Can now affiliate for suspended, sick or injured players. Can affiliate outside of Wetaskiwin, within our draw zone.
- U13 Female folded. 7 went to AA, remaining players may return to MMHA or will be placed here. Overaged one player.
- Suggestion that we speak to Hockey Alberta regarding tryout end dates for AA and AAA to avoid these issues in future.
- Registrations are closed for U11 Female; U13; U15 Female and U18.
- Discussion - Close registration for all remaining divisions. Send any new applicants to wait list. Chantelle will reach out to coordinator with new applicants. Keep U7 and U9 open for now.

Jenn Humbke, Ice Coordinator:

- Ice agreement signed with Millet effective October 1 to March 31.
- All WMHA ice bookings must go through Jenn including exhibition games and practices for insurance purposes.
- Ice scheduling for EFHL tiering has started.
- All ice offered to Camrose U18 NBC provided to CMHA and City
- Master Ice Schedule on WMHA Website is updated to October 6th.
- Attending CAHL Ice Coordinator Orientation meeting next week.
- U11-U18 "A" Teams are moving back to Tuesday/Thursday first and second practice rotations. All other teams will be offered an opportunity for second practices following the manager meeting.

- Will update manager meeting package regarding ice.
- Making manager handbook with all ice information to make it easily accessible.

Jamie Menard, Player/Coach:

- Two coach interviews remaining to be completed for U9

Tammy Hardie, Fundraising:

- Sent cheque for Meat Draw Raffle license
- Tickets will be ordered once approved
- Keeping track of volunteer commitment fees

Shawn Lipka, Public Relations:

- Sold three boards in Arena 2 at \$400.00 each board
- Gun Hill Excavating/Elgie & Sons; LL Climatic/Budget Drywall; Dream Team Custom Farming
- 3 year year commitments for each board

Donny Wheele, Equipment Coordinator:

- Socks are here at Coaches for pick up
- Nets arrived for U7/U9
- Pinnies will be locked up following final tryouts until next year. Tryout pinnies are not for use at practices.
- Managers to get list of teams to Donny in order to organize jerseys.

Melinda Zander, Tournament Coordinator:

- Tournaments and sanction numbers are posted on Hockey Alberta
- ToNeed to make a decision on U7 Major/Minor. Discussion - no major team, U7 will split teams equally for tournament
- Sticking with ref lunches during all tournaments. Subway worked well.
- U11 Queens will join U11 Tournament. Date for U11 may change as it is currently the last week of play for U13B and U18A.

Mac Anderson, Referee in Chief:

- No Report

Division Coordinator Reports:

Kyle Fecho, U7:

- Two U7 teams.
- Will run both together for first 4-6 weeks
- Coaches will rotate responsibilities

Katie Slevinsky, U9:

- U9A team has been picked. U9B tryouts this weekend.
- BS made team and has moved up. LH was not successful in moving up. MR was moved up.
- Need to revamp Player Acceleration Process and include younger age groups (U7/U9)
- Player Acceleration Policy *tabled to next meeting. Sheldon to work on new policy.

Tanner Maygard, U11:

- No report

Jordan Maygard, U13:

- Two teams.
- 14 on U13A; 12 on U13B. Room for more players.
- Discussion regarding possible placement of remaining U13 Queens on co-ed teams. No decision made.

Shawn Schmuland, U15:

- Teams have been made.
- "B" Team has tryouts Saturday

Brandon Humbke, U18:

- One team with 17 skaters and 2 goalies. Team is not finalized yet.
- Released 4 players after Sunday's tryouts. Two of those four went to New Sarepta. One is looking for a release to Maskwacis. One player executed their release request.
- Still 8 players trying out U16AA and U18AA. One player returned from Camrose tonight
- New Sarepta still has 3-4 positions they can fill if further cuts are made.

Sheldon Hamel, U11/13 Female:

- Championship banner is in the office to be hung now
- 23 players came to Pathway Program this year - 15 in U7; 5 in U9; 3 in U11. There were 17 boys and 6 girls.
- No funds available for the Pathway Program next year. We will have to apply for a grant in order to hold the program. Grants open in October.

Mike Johnson, U15/18 Female:

- 1 team of 14 in U15 Queens and 1 team of 18 in U18 Queens
- Still a couple trying out in Leduc

Online Votes to be Added to Minutes:

1. August 17/24: Motion made by Dan Dickau to accept player acceleration request: U7 Lincoln Halcrow to try out in U9. If he does not make U9-team 1, he will be placed in U7, as per WMHA policy. Seconded by Melinda Zander, carried.
2. August 26/24: Motion made by Tanner Maygard to accept player movement from Millet as follows: Madden Hawkes U13, Diesel Hawkes U15, Kaylen Fercho U18, and a request for Kolton Fercho U15 to overage to U13. Seconded by Shawn Schmuland, carried.
3. August 28/24: Motion made by Tanner Maygard to accept player movement from West 39: Matthew Getzinger U18. Seconded by Jordan Maygard, carried.
4. August 30/24: Motion by Shawn Lipka for Mehayla Rowland U7 to try out in U9 Queens. If she does not make U9 Queens, she will be placed in U7, as per WMHA policy. Seconded by Dan Dickau, carried.
5. September 1/24: Motion by Mike Johnson to grant a temporary release to Dominic Clements (4 years old, to Edmonton Timbits Discovery Program. Seconded by Melinda Zander, carried.

6. September 11/24: Motion by Brandon Humbke to overage Harley Dumont Johnson from U11 to U9 and Kolten Fercho from U15 to U13. Seconded by Melinda Zander, carried.
7. September 12/24: Motion by Shawn Lipka to accept player release request to Antonio Acosta, U15, to Millet. Seconded by Melinda Zander, carried.
8. September 18/24: Motion by Jenn Humbke to release Logan Kennedy U15 to New Sarepta. Seconded by Bonnie Dickau, carried.

Next Meeting Date: Thursday, October 17th, 2024 at 7:00 pm

Motion to Adjourn: 9:48 p.m. - Brandon Humbke, carried.