

Smithers Minor Hockey Association

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EXECUTIVE MEETING

Date: January 18, 2023

Executive Present:

Matt Bruintjes	X	Darcie Frocklage	X	Alysia Tashoots	X
Nick Murray		Ian Meier	X	Ted Owens	
Amanda Green	X	Kristen Pederson	X	Danielle Stevens	X
Heather Trigiani	X	Sandra Mellace	X	Dan Vinnish	X
Brendan Hutchinson	X	Shirley White	X	Kirsten Seymour	X
Amanda Bruintjes	X	Cait McMillan	X		

Call to Order: 7:02pm

Errors or Omissions:

Motion to Accept the Minutes: Sandra makes a motion to accept the minutes. Darcie seconds it. All in favour. Carried.

Correspondence

- Received a letter from Glen Greene’s law office stating that he is retiring so our file was handed over to Giddings MacEachern.

REPORTS

President:

- District meeting last night. State of the district board is not in good shape. Only one member returning. Many vacancies.
- Zone packages are out. Hosting U18. Supervisor is still tba.
- Seems to be less head contact suspensions this year.

Past President:

- Nothing to report.

Vice President:

- Working on a SMHA document that will be in addition to our handbook. Document will explain what our values are as an association. Looked at other associations and our current

handbook. It's meant to accompany our handbook. I have an introduction and how our values are in line with BC Hockey. Discipline would be a good area to work on. Gender equity and inclusion needs to also be addressed. I will put these documents together and send it out to the board for feedback.

- Perfect timing for us to come out and list what SMHA stands for.
- Look at booking teams into tournaments earlier in the season in order to get some closer tournaments.

Head Coach/Technical Director:

- Goalie sessions. We are all set. January 29th, Damien will be coming in. Ty Edmunds will run February 26th. Insurance is looked after. Houston has reached out to see if some of their goalies can attend. We can charge \$50/player.
- BC Hockey is offering Goalie 1 and Goalie 2. Kevin Davidson would be a good candidate for this clinic. Goalie 1 is online but Goalie 2 is in Richmond.
- Had a couple more shooter tooters made. Made some improvements to the existing ones. I am hoping CN will cover this cost. We currently own 2 big shooter tooters. Is there money to purchase 2 more?
- Hosted a coaching clinic on the weekend. We only had 3 coaches from U7 show up.
- March 4th for a Skills Competition.
- Skill Development February 17 NID?

Ice Coordinator:

- Run into some issues with the Town. We are paying for a lot of ice that isn't being used.
- Zones are scheduled.
- U9 this weekend.
- A-Selects cancelled at the beginning of March. That ice went towards the skills competition.
- Looking forward to next year, will we leave the tournaments as is?

Registrar:

- Numbers are good. We had a new player join U7.
- U7 - 18 new, 15 returning
- U9 - 7 new, 38 returning
- U11 - 2 new, 21 returning
- U13 - 2 new, 39 returning

- U15 - 35 returning
- U18 - 36 returning
- Female - 14 new, 33 returning.
- Photographer would like to book for next year. October 16/17
- Thoughts on offering credits for U7 Saturday games.
- Booking T3 tournament October 6-8th.

Bookkeeper:

- Mid-December I gave the rink attendant a sign to hang. I guess we need the Town's approval for all signs. The Town wants us to pay when signs get put up. IT took the rink attendant 5 minutes to put the sign up.
- We need to work something out with tournament budgets. Could do a per team budget.
- \$73,000 used for ice so far
- Ref costs are up to \$16,000 (rates have gone up and we didn't play as many games last year)
- \$202,851 is bank balance.

BC Gaming Coordinator:

- Good news with raffle. We have 63 tickets to sell. I have found the right balance with the 3 for \$50 or the 1 for \$20. Draw is this Sunday.
- The Interior News ran the raffle twice now at no cost thanks to Grant.

Head Referee:

- Refereeing is a struggle - more SR refs needed- have 7
- Conflicting tournament schedules - lots of JR refs on U13-U18 not home when U7-U11 are on the ice
- Out of town refs increase cost for tournaments
- Cross ice ref coaching 2 year U11
- SMHA swag (bags, pant covers, tracksuits)- Players Bench in PG- 6-8 weeks turn around for tracksuits. Spoke with Smokescreen/Dan's as it's local. Not able to accommodate due to time frame. Wait for items...Local ASAP items...Local

Equipment Manager:

- Nothing to report.

Tournament Coordinator/Statistician:

- 4 more tournaments...3 all full
- U9-13 teams - 4 Smithers
- U11- 3 teams - 1 Smithers
- U18- 10 teams - 1 Smithers

- U13- 8 teams - 1 Smithers

Female Coordinator:

- Games booked Feb 4/5th
- U9 December tournament next year as PG has 2 female teams

Safety and Risk Manager:

- Need more ice packs
- Butterfly band aids not in bags- would be nice for U13-U18

Volunteer Coordinator:

- Sent out updated credits
- Set up bottle drive for remaining credits for people needing credits

Sponsorship:

- Clean water poster- First Nations Drinking Water Compensation - Town approved, in lobby for 8 weeks will pay us \$500
- LB Paving - Terus Construction- Needs an invoice or proof of contribution for their files for the Tier 3 Tournament- Jim Bolster, will forward email to board. Danielle will send what is needed. Darcie will check for invoice.
- Apply for \$75000- Kruger Big Assist, nomination forms needs to be filled out - do a video or paragraph.
- U9 two gold and a silver. Pederson did not pay yet!!!! Swag from Canadian Tire.
- U15 Rec - received cheque from BV Wholesale
- U11 dev sponsors- Credit Union(paid) & Rugged Edge(not paid yet, but buying player of the game swag)
- U18 Rec- Silverking Helicopters - Gold Sponsor- Committed Silver - Capris Motor Inn- Confirmed - Heather looking into a sponsor
- U13 Rec- Gold and Silver Sponsors committed
- Is level of sponsors for tournaments good? Should we do Gold, Silver, Bronze every division ideally.
- Home Hardware likes to do hockey cards for U7/9

Old Business:

- Nothing to report.

New Business:

- Scholarship for Grad 2023 → Yes we will, generally have given out 2
- Hutch, bus has passed inspection, but might have MOLD. Cleaning service checked and said it should be good to go.
- \$10,000 to buy it, sight unseen. Hutch is maybe comfortable buying through his business and "renting" to SMHA. 24 Seat bus.
- Insurance for cost of bus, need class 4 licence

Meeting Adjourned: 9:16pm

Next meeting: February 8, 2023 at 7pm