



Didsbury Ramblers Minor Hockey Association

Didsbury Curling Rink

6:30pm, Wednesday, September 10, 2014

Attendance	Absent
Dione Blatz, President	Tracey Knutson, Registrar & Ref Assignor
Ryan Sloan, Vice President	Kelvin Knutson, 2 & 27 Rep & Ref in Chief
Krista Pick, Secretary	Llonda Leaver, 50/50 Rep
Andrea Sawatzky, Media Rep	
Ryan Mierke, CAHL Rep	
Tara Fifield, Treasurer	
Brooke Mierke, Ice Scheduler	
Cory Fifield, Equipment Manager	
Devon Bernard, Coach-in-Chief	
Cam Campbell, CAHL Governor	

1. **Call to Order**

- The meeting was called to order at 6:40pm by President, Dione Blatz

1. **Old Business**

- DMHA Banner – Banner had been ordered with a date delivery date of Monday, Sept 15th.
- Manager Handbook – updating with dates and when and who to notify for cancellations (officials) – Dione & Krista to action
- Bylaws to be amended shortly – per Trish Kruger
- Fort McMurray Casino – Waiting to hear back regarding the 2016/2017 season.
- Zero Tolerance Signs – are in place
- Outdoor Rink – collaborating with DMHA, pond hockey and DFSC.
- Facebook Page – up and running
- Promotions – possible advertising at Rossford - Brooke

2. **Reports**

Vice President – Ryan S.

- Welcome Devon Bernard – new Coach-in-Chief.
- Goaltending camp is underway (Grizzlies and Colts are assisting).
- 4 Evaluators for goalies and 6 – 7 for players

Secretary – Krista

- Nothing to report

Treasurer – Tara

- Financial report distributed
- Push on fundraising – bigger sponsors – 3 on 3 tourney (organization to start mid May)
- Cook books to be sold at Valu Drug Mart

Registrar – Tracey (absent) report from Dione

- 15 Tyke
- 23 Novice
- 33 Atom

Coach in Chief – Devon

- Coaches are looking good – possible new experienced Coach to be able to assist.

CAHL Rep – Ryan M.

- Hockey Alberta meeting was held last Sunday. Atom Changes – 23 kids can be registered to Provincial team (18 dressed)...affiliate Novice to Atom.
- Ref fees have been raised.
- Hockey Canada is pushing Hockey Canada awareness. They are sending stickers to every registered player and they would like to have them on all helmets.
- Atom players can registered as a goaltender (up to 18 players per team – including goalie)
- Cannot affiliate Tyke into Novice unless granted permission from CAHL.
- Rule books for sale.
- Hockey Canada insurance – any sanctioned game or event is covered by the insurance. Extracurricular activities are not covered (i.e. Swimming pool accident at the hockey tourney).
- Bid to host provincials is due by Nov. 15th. Possible good revenue for fundraising. Hotel space, restaurant options in Didsbury are limited.
- CAHL is trying to promote fair competitive leagues.
- CAHLhockey.net (new website) – advertising spots for sale on new website
- Next CAHL meeting is October 6th.

2 & 27 Rep – Kelvin (absent)

Ice Scheduler – Brooke

- All times are booked – 2 Tyke ice times have been dropped due to low numbers.
- Pond Hockey gave up Dec 27 for Novice Tourney
- Tyke to drop 15 minutes from ice time (1:15 minutes)

Ref in Chief – Kelvin (absent)

Ref Assignor – Tracey (absent)

Media Rep – Andrea

- Parade went well and will look into submitting a float for next year.

50/50 – Llonda (absent)

Equipment Manager – Cory

- All orders have been filled
- Goalie sticks have been purchased
- Pucks and pylons will be in equipment room
- Apparel Night – October 14th
- Possible new photographer for Picture Night

President – Dione

- 2 & 27 Novice Meetings. 5 teams in each tier – 2 Kneehill, 2 Crossfield, 2 Didsbury, 2 Carstairs and 3 Olds. Fees should be \$125. There will be a tourney and playoffs at the end of the year. There will be no stat taking, just wins and losses.
- Ad in paper to show community that DMHA is focusing on less travel and trying to get more families and kids involved.
- Sandwich board outside Valu Drug Mart to advertise all games.

3. New Business

- Atom (33 kids)
 - o How many teams? Coaching and Ice fees...
- Pro and Cons of 3 teams
 - o Pros – 6 goalies trying out...2 each team. 2 goalies can dress or 1 dress and the other skate as a player.
 - o Con – low numbers – teams can be adversely affected if 1 or 2 kids can't make a game.
- *Vote on 2 Atom Teams – Passed
- Tyke (15 players) 1 team
- Novice (23 players) 2 teams
- Fall Ball
 - o \$75/ticket
 - o Murder Mystery Supper \$2600
 - o DJ \$1000 includes photo booth
 - o Insurance \$250
 - o Decoration \$750
 - o Caterer – 130-150 pp @ \$20/plate
 - o Midnight lunch \$600 (food truck was suggested)
 - o 5 or 6 silent auction items (bigger items)
 - o Booze Barrel
- Fundraising – Sponsorship letter – Brooke to send Dione info on Sponsorship levels and names.
- Novice Tournament – feedback that we may not get full commitment due to Christmas holidays.
- *Motion – Join Tyke and Novice Tournaments together on same weekend in January – Passed.
- Player spotlight on the DMHA board and in paper – player bio to be included in Manager's Handbook
- Focusing on Fundraising for next meeting

4. Next Meeting

- Wednesday, September 24th @ 6:30 – Location TBA

5. Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 8:22pm by Dione Blatz