



Didsbury Ramblers Minor Hockey Association - Regular Board Meeting

Attendance:	Absent:
Cory Shields, Vice President	Chris Dussault, CAHL Governor
Tara Fifield, Treasurer	Kim Russell, Fundraising
Susan Read, Secretary	Andrea Sawatsky, Media Rep
Doug Vass, 2/27 Rep	Daisy Pankrat, Registrar
Tricia Kruger, Fundraising	Simone Reese, Director in Chief
Llonda Leaver, (co) 50/50 Rep	Rob Leaver, (co) 50/50 Rep
Ryan Sloan, Coach in Chief	Ryan Mierke, CAHL Rep
Cory Fifield, Equipment Manager	Doug Bedard, President
Dionne Blatz, Ice Scheduler	Tracey Knutson, Ref Assignor
	Kelvin Knutson, Referee in Chief

1. Call to Order

- The meeting was called to order at 6:55 pm by Vice President Cory Shields

2. Minutes

- The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as previously distributed

3. Old Business:

a. Updating the DMHA Handbook and Bylaws

- Updating and amalgamating of these two items is in progress
- This item will be put on the agenda for the AGM
- If the revised documents are not ready by the AGM, then a special meeting will be called to approve them; this meeting would need occur one month prior to the start of league play

b. Zero Tolerance Signage

- Ongoing

4. Reports:

a. President

- Not in attendance
- Awards Night Discussion:
 - The MPR has been booked from 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm on Thursday April 3, 2014
 - In past years, the President has been the emcee for this event
 - As emcee, the President should announce the following 2 items either at the outset or conclusion of the event:
 - Going forward, all DMHA registrations will be done on-line
 - That the AGM is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday April 16, 6:30 pm, upstairs in the Curling Rink Lounge
 - Previously, nominations for all awards were sent out to all DMHA members, with the reply to one email; the email recipient would then tabulate the votes (this is excluding the Atom Awards, which are selected by the Atom coaches)

- The Board recommends limited food on the tables ie. no buffet as this really lengthens the time of the event, with the younger kids getting restless
 - Suggestions for food are: Juice boxes, donuts, or fruit/veggie trays
 - Tara Fifield has some details on some of the memorial awards which she will forward to Tammy Bedard
 - In the past, the award recipients have had their names engraved on the trophies in the trophy case, but were also given a small take-home plaques as well
 - Discuss the hockey school award recipient; it will be Dawson Vince
 - Awards night information should be placed in the bylaws for future DMHA Boards
- b. Vice President
- The VP attended the multi-town meeting to discuss moving Novice and Atom from the CAHL League to the 2 & 27 League
 - The majority at the meeting were in favour of making this change starting next season, initially for Novice only
 - Teams would still be tiered in the 2 & 27 league
 - Governance would rotate among the towns involved
 - Any player affiliations from Novice to Atom would need to go through Hockey Alberta for approval
 - The next meeting is set for March 25; Doug Vass may attend; Cory Shields will send Doug Vass the details of meeting time and location once they are known
 - Dean Nielsen would attend our AGM with a parent information package outlining the proposed changes, and the DMHA members would then vote on whether or not to proceed
 - The suggested plan is to re-evaluate for Atom after one year
 - The initial trial period would be for two years
- c. Secretary
- None
- d. Treasurer
- Financial report was distributed, reviewed, and discussed
- e. Registrar
- Not in attendance
- f. Fundraising
- Discuss the status of cook book sales
- g. Coach in Chief
- Coaching Evaluations have been distributed; there should be a reminder sent out with a specific end date for submission
- h. CAHL Rep
- Not in attendance
- i. CAHL Governor
- Not in attendance
- j. 2 & 27 Rep
- None
- k. Ice Scheduler
- Will meet with the Town to review blocks for next year
 - Will look for efficiencies
- l. Referee in Chief & Ref Assignor
- Not in attendance
- m. Director in Chief
- Not in attendance

n. Media Rep

– Report sent in:

- Online registration done and there is a link under the registration tab
- Working on putting it on the front page of the website too
- Is there anyone who has any pamphlets or information that I could put out at the registration night?
- Will be sending out an email to the whole association to make them aware of the new online registration
- Will take care of or assist with the food for Awards Night as required

o. 50/50 Rep

- All 50/50 sales are complete

p. Equipment Manager

- Discuss items missing from lockers

5. New Business:

- All discussed in above reports

6. Next Meeting:

- TBD
- Tentative date Wednesday March 26, 2014

7. Adjournment:

- The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm by Cory Shields