



Didsbury Ramblers Minor Hockey Association - Regular Board Meeting

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

1. Call to Order

- The meeting was called to order at 6:55 pm by President Doug Bedard

2. Minutes

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

3. Old Business:

- Friday Evening Player Development Sessions
 - This will not work with Joe's schedule; Cory Shields has requested this ice be cancelled
- Alberta Zone 6 'Certified Scheduler'
 - Next session will likely be in June
- Updating the DMHA Handbook and Bylaws
 - Sub-committee will meet to review the bylaws; date had been set, but had to re-schedule
 - If anyone else would like to participate in this discussion, please contact Doug Bedard
 - Sub-committee would like to have an updated version of bylaws ready for review and approval at the DMHA Annual General Meeting
- Zero Tolerance Signage
 - Ryan Sloan not in attendance; item deferred
- Outdoor Rink/Tourney
 - The Town has chosen the location for the outdoor rink; it will be adjacent to the curling rink
 - Discuss pond hockey vs. regulation hockey; pond hockey does not require boards and has it's own set of rules
 - The Town would like to know if DMHA is purchasing boards on or before December 1st; this timeline is too tight for DMHA to complete
 - Discuss having boards constructed over the summer in order for an outdoor tournament to proceed in the future (ie. 2014-2015 season); Doug Bedard would help lead in the construction of the boards

MOTION: Moved by Tricia Kruger that DMHA support the construction of boards for the town's outdoor arena; construction to occur during the summer of 2014. This will enable DMHA to proceed with an outdoor tournament in the future. Seconded by Doug Bedard. All in favour. Carried.

- Ryan Mierke will investigate the cost of removable boards with a contact of his in Cremona

4. Reports:

a. President

- Discuss DMHA as a non-drop clock organization
- Discuss an App. (via CAHL) that allows game scores to be entered in live (ie. in real-time) by scorekeepers; there are still some bugs with this App.
- DMHA could look at purchasing a couple of tablets in the future ie. once the App. is up and running properly; discussed

b. Vice President

- None

c. Secretary

- None

d. Treasurer

- The written Treasurer's report was distributed and reviewed for the members by Tara Fifield
- Discuss tournaments and fundraising opportunities for all teams and all levels
- Could have one tournament per level next year; this would equalize fundraising opportunities

MOTION: Moved by Tara Fifield that DMHA hold three tournaments during the 2014-2015 season, one for Tyke, one for Novice, and one for Atom. Seconded by Susan Read. All in favour. Carried.

- There are 3 families with outstanding fees; Doug Bedard will contact them via email
- Discussion of team money; all should flow through the DMHA bank account
- This will allow for the tidiest book-keeping ie. having everything in one place
- Doug Bedard will send the following notice to all team managers:

"Further to the DMHA Board Meeting of Wednesday November 27, 2013, please be advised that going forward ALL team monies must flow through the Didsbury Minor Hockey Association Treasurer and bank account. The Treasurer will have all monies separated out in her records per team, and you can check your teams balance with her at any time. The DMHA Treasurer is Tara Fifield (ctfifield@shaw.ca). After the season has ended, and any team fines etc. have been resolved (approximately April), any positive cash flow that has not been spent will be returned to your team. Note that monies earned by teams includes 50/50 sales.

Managers may wish to keep their own accounting of team monies in order to provide back up in the event of a discrepancy"

e. Registrar

- None

f. Fundraising

- Do not have a final number on proceeds from the Pub Night yet; approximation of funds raised is \$9,000 to \$10,000
- DJ will be paid according to the terms that were negotiated on pub night ie. following some problems and disruptions
- Discussion of the future date for pub night; it will remain on the same weekend; will try to book it on the Saturday night instead of the Friday night
- The old DMHA Jerseys are sorted and ready to be sold; one set each of white and green jerseys will be held back (med/lrg size)

- A draft of the DMHA Cookbook was reviewed; if cost is \$18/book then the selling price should be \$25/book; if cost per copy can be lowered, then selling price would be lowered as well
- g. Coach in Chief
 - None
- h. CAHL Rep
 - No new information; the next meeting will be in January 2014
- i. CAHL Governor
 - The retro Ramblers jersey was purchased out of Spokane for \$100
 - DMHA will have it framed and displayed appropriately
 - Discuss historical information related to the Ramblers and DMHA in general
- j. 2 & 27 REP
 - None
- k. Ice Scheduler
 - None
- l. Referee in Chief & Ref Assignor
 - None
- m. Director in Chief
 - None
- n. Media Rep
 - Not in attendance
 - Will request Media Rep to put a call out for old team photos ie. for display in the arena; will need to check which years are required and which are already displayed first
- o. 50/50 Rep
 - Spoke with Alberta Gaming to confirm that everything is being done correctly
 - The preference is that all 50/50 money be pooled in one place ie. DMHA bank account as discussed in the Treasurer's Report above; this is required by Alberta Gaming
 - Raffle ticket have to be on one Lottery Licence ie. and separate from 50/50 monies
- p. Equipment Manager
 - The pinnies and pylons were received but were poor quality and pricey, so they were returned
 - Everything else is in and the whiteboards have been installed

5. **New Business:**

- Discussed in Reports above

6. **Next Meeting:**

- Next Meeting date discussed
- No December meeting due to conflict with Christmas Holidays
- Would like to have a meeting mid-January to educate the Board on RMAA in preparation for a Board vote on the future relationship between RMAA and DMHA
- Special guests to be invited?; discussed
- **Tentative next meeting date set for Wednesday January 15, 2014, time and location TBA**

7. **Adjournment:**

- a. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm by Doug Bedard