



Didsbury Curling Club Lounge
6:45 pm, Wednesday October 30, 2013

Didsbury Ramblers Minor Hockey Association - Regular Board Meeting

Attendance:

Doug Bedard, President
Tara Fifield, Treasurer
Susan Read, Secretary
Kim Russell, Fundraising
Tricia Kruger, Fundraising
Chris Dussault, CAHL Governor
Daisy Pankrat, Registrar
Doug Vass, 2/27 Rep

Absent:

Llonda Leaver, (co) 50/50 Rep
Rob Leaver, (co) 50/50 Rep
Ryan Mierke, CAHL Rep
Andrea Sawatsky, Media Rep
Tracey Knutson, Ref Assignor
Simone Reese, Director in Chief
Teena Hosegood, Ice Scheduler
Cory Fifield, Equipment Manager
Kelvin Knutson, Referee in Chief
Ryan Sloan, Coach in Chief
Cory Shields, Vice President

1. Call to Order

- The meeting was called to order at 7:10 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
 - Cory Shields not in attendance; item deferred
- Alberta Zone 6 'Certified Scheduler'
 - Ryan Mierke not in attendance; item deferred
- Updating the DMHA Handbook and Bylaws
 - Discuss how to best proceed with revising these documents
 - Would like to have updated versions ready for review and approval at the AGM
 - A sub-committee will meet to review and revise the Bylaws; this group will include Doug Bedard and Tricia Kruger
 - If anyone else would like to participate in this discussion, please contact Doug Bedard ASAP; the sub-committee will meet next week
 - The Handbook will be a one-pager that mirrors the Bylaws; Susan Read will draft the revised Handbook once the Bylaw revision is complete
- Zero Tolerance Signage
 - Ryan Sloan not in attendance; item deferred

4. Reports:

- President
 - Discuss having individual "per team" bank accounts versus and/or in addition to the DMHA general account; this issue will be addressed via the Bylaw update

- Discuss the deadline for DMHA fees; it is October 31, 2013; this point should be included in the Bylaws and the Handbook
 - DMHA have gone with a different photography for hockey photos this year
 - DMHA is still looking for copies of team pictures from the previous years from the previous photographer, Phillip Litke; we would like these team photos for display at the arena
 - b. Vice President
 - None
 - c. Secretary
 - None
 - An updated 'Email Distribution List' will be sent to the Board Members
 - d. Treasurer
 - The written Treasurer's report was distributed and reviewed for the members by Tara Fifield
 - Ice Fees come out of the casino account
 - e. Registrar
 - There is one new Novice registration
 - Registrar requests that a stop be put on additions to coaching staff, etc. ie. in order to finalize all the team rosters
 - The Tyke Tournament still needs to be sanctioned
 - f. Fundraising
 - If a majority of tickets are sold, then there should be approximately 200 people attending Pub Night; still looking for emcee(s) and for someone to pick up the margarita machine on Nov. 15
 - Discuss details regarding the cookbook fundraiser
 - g. Coach in Chief
 - None
 - h. CAHL Rep
 - None
 - i. CAHL Governor
 - The regular season begins on November 22, 2013; teams can be fined \$500 if they miss a regularly schedule league game that weekend ie. because they have entered a tournament
 - Information regarding tiering, Christmas break, etc. can be found on the CAHL website
 - Discuss information from the Hockey Summit that was held in Banff in August; hockey leaders across Alberta met; the purpose of the summit was finding best practices to advance the game ie. how to increase puck possession time, the benefits of smaller area games, etc.
 - These are good ideas that should be incorporated into DMHA for player development in the future
 - Discuss the old Ramblers Jersey for sale on-line
- MOTION:** Moved by Doug Bedard that Chris Dussault proceed with bidding on the old Ramblers Jersey for the DMHA trophy case. Seconded by Susan Read. All in favour. Carried.
- j. 2 & 27 REP
 - The next 2 & 27 Meeting is scheduled for January 2014
 - k. Ice Scheduler
 - None
 - l. Referee in Chief & Ref Assignor
 - None
 - m. Director in Chief
 - None

- n. Media Rep
 - None
- o. 50/50 Rep
 - The 50/50 Reps can decide their preference for collecting the funds ie. weekly
- p. Equipment Manager
 - Still looking for good pylons
 - White Boards are still to be purchased; whistles have already been purchased
 - New pinnies are in and ready, they just need to be picked up
 - Buckets of new pucks have gone missing; discussed; teams need to be diligent about locking their lockers; could also look at having a lock put on the main door where the team lockers are located
 - The concession staff will give a piece of candy to any kids that find a puck and turn it in

5. New Business:

- a. Outdoor Rink/Tournament
 - Tricia Kruger has met with the Town to discuss; they had already been planning on installing an outdoor ice surface; they are willing to enlarge if required
 - Discuss location ie. existing lawn bowling location would be good
 - Discuss 'pond hockey' tournament rules versus regular tournament rules; this will affect whether or not boards are required, ice size, etc.
 - For maintenance, a zamboni could not get out to the site; surface would require, scraping, shoveling, hose-flooding, etc.; weather may cause additional maintenance
 - Discuss boards; the Town would assist with installation if DMHA finds a supplier/donator; the Town has offered to store them year over year
 - ATCO trailers could be brought in as ad-hoc change rooms, or the MPR could be booked
 - The town staff would move some of their existing portable bleachers to the site
 - Discuss possible tournament dates

6. Next Meeting:

- Meetings will continue on the last Wednesday of each month unless otherwise agreed upon in advance; the next meeting will be held on Wednesday November 27, 2013 at 6:45 pm in the Curling Rink Lounge

7. Adjournment:

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