

**DRAYTON VALLEY MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION
MONTHLY MEETING: DECEMBER 12, 2016
RAMADA HOTEL MEETING ROOM 7:00 pm**

ADOPTED MINUTES

Call To Order: 7:10 by President Troy Patten

Present: Troy Patten, Lanny Patten, Pamela Kellner, Katrina Dawes, Angie Lawson, Dale Liske, Joanne Carter, Jordan Cameron, Kevin Hutchinson, Brendon Emmett

Absent: Bob Koethler, Mandy Layden (on ice), Jackie Pearson, Jen Callan, Jason Huber, Larry Moberg, Kim Prokopow, Krista Colford

IMPORTANT DATES:

Criminal and Child Welfare Checks Due **December 15, 2016**

SANCTIONED TOURNAMENT DATES:
MITES TOURNAMENT **January 7 & 8, 2017**

1. Additions/Deletions to Agenda

2. Adopt Minutes: November Monthly Minutes: November 21, 2016

Darren accepted the November Monthly Minutes, Dale 2nd, all in favour

3. President: Troy Patten

- a. Safety Coach must be on each team. It is an online course that is good for three years.
- b. Provincial Tiering is being reviewed by Barry (HA Rep) as to where the teams will stand with the situation of import players and outside boundary players
- c. Need a map with a definite line of the area to monitor boundary issues

4. Old Business:

- a. Player Discipline Policy is not strongly defined; at this time concerns are addressed based on a OPERG-11: Operational Governance Communication Flow Chart (page 114; attached): any issues that cannot be corrected through parent/manager/coach/director meetings are referred to a Code of Conduct Committee composed of neutral members
- b. Director feedback on using Thunder Players being used effectively

5. New Business:

- a. NEAHL has abruptly pulled out of NA Interlock: Teams felt that they were travelling farther than in their previous league; efficient communication & scheduling on 1660's part has been questioned
- b. Schedules have to be checked daily to ensure that changes are being caught
- c. Room 9 at the Omniplex in disrepair; Troy will address this issue with Omniplex rep

d. Outdoor Rink: Members have questioned as to the possibility of using the outdoor ice; need to have games sanctioned by HA for this to happen

6. Executive Member Reports:

a. Vice President: Lanny Patten

Popcorn Popper: machine has been rewired but motor is damaged

MOTION:

Katrina motioned that we order a new kettle to repair the machine. The cost will be approximately \$1100.00.

Pam accepted the motion, Jordan 2nd; all in favour.

b. Secretary: Pamela Kellner

(i) Social Media Policy (attached)

MOTION:

Josh motioned to include the document in the DVMHA Policy Document as it has currently been developed.

Darren accepted the motion, Dale 2nd; all in favour.

(ii) OPG-13 Operational Program Governance: Tournaments (page 89; attached)

Area of Concern:

Establish a date when teams would be eligible to request a tournament reimbursement if funds are available; at this point, requests are done randomly and some teams fail to understand that this is a reimbursement and not be counted on to pay tournament fees. Setting a date after the “tournament season” would provide structure for the Treasurer to ensure that all paperwork is handed in and all team obligations are fulfilled

a. Proposed date for application of reimbursement will be January 31 of each hockey season

(iii) OFG-3 Operational Financial Governance: Forfeiting & Exchanging Ice Times (page 95; attached)

Area of Concern:

Policy needs to be updated; how would the ice schedulers like to see this handled? Perhaps a tie in with Tournament Reimbursements if a team leaves ice unused.

Email to be sent out to general members regarding the failure to utilize assigned ice.

NOTICE to Keep Under Review: Any team wishing to cancel ice must notify Ice Schedulers with 48 hours notice. If notice is not provided any team not following policy will be charged the cost of the unused ice with associated fees.....use of ice will be reviewed for next month with the input of the ice schedulers; put forward to January.

c. Treasurer: Katrina Dawes

(i) Fundraiser is complete

d. Registrar: Angie Lawson

(i) DVMHA Number Registered as of Monday, December 12, 2016:

Initiation 16/Mites 41			
Novice	67	ABCCC	Tier 1/Tier 3/Tier 4/4/4
Atom	53	ABCC	Tier 1/Tier 3/ Tier 5/5
Peewee	31	AB	Tier 1 & Tier 4
Bantam	19	A	Tier 3
Midget	38	AB	Tier 1 & 3

Total Members 265

(ii) HA Regulation & By-Law Books:

MOTION: Angie motioned to purchase 6 new books at the cost of \$13.00 each.

Jordan accepted the motion, Kevin 2nd; all in favour;

e. Ways & Means: Joanne Carter

- (i) Dodge Caravan Kids have crests ordered
- (ii) Tim Horton's is in the process of purchasing a rink board
- (iii) Jersey presentation to Dale M has been done; he attended the Novice tournament wearing his jersey
- (iv) Raffle went well, money organized and report will be submitted
- (v) Working on the rosters for the Coach-Midget Trophy for past wins
- (vi) Top Notch sticker for the rink board will be done this weekend

f. Ice Scheduler: Josh Getzinger

g. Technical & Goalie Development Coordinator: Bob Koethler Absent

- (i) Goalie skills is going smoothly; 9 goalies are enrolled
- (ii) Power Skating for Christmas break is almost full

h. Equipment Manager: Jordan Cameron

- (i) Ordering more garment bags
- (ii) Midget jersey replaced due to player requiring medical attention

i. Referee Coordinator: Dale Liske

Referee Assignor: Kim Prokopow

- (i) Shadowing program is completed with the young refs
- (ii) 33 refs at the clinic
- (iii) Look into a retention program to have refs stay through high school

j. Tournament Committee Coordinator: Krista Colford

k. Coach Coordinator: Larry Moberg

- (i) Setting up a mid year review meeting with all head coaches regarding Provincials and Affiliation Rules; Larry will contact coaches
- (ii) Need to start playing affiliates as soon as possible so they have game experience with tea

7. Division Directors:

a. **Initiation/Mites: Mandy Layden & Jackie Pearson** **Absent** **Report Submitted**

(i) The half ice jamboree game days have gone well! Kids were sweaty and smiling!

With regard to other provinces, Sask Hockey has mandated half ice hockey for the province, and there is a discipline policy if it is not followed. Saskatchewan Hockey has similar jamboree days, but they don't have any face offs on those days. We still face off at the beginning of each shift, just not after goals.

Not keeping score and not having face off's has been a sore spot with some parents within our association. I'm waiting to hear back from a few other provinces to understand their structures better. Nice to see that DV is on par with some provinces. It would be nice to see Hockey Canada or Hockey Alberta mandate it soon.

(ii) We will be applying the Top Notch decal to the boards this week.

(iii) Hockey Alberta has released the results of the Initiation Study that I attended in August. Some of the results, with regard to skating development, specific data for skating speed and acceleration was collected from the following scenarios: 200-foot sprints, cross-ice games, half-ice games, and a full ice game. Overall, an analysis of the data and observation of the on-ice sessions reinforce that using a smaller ice surface at the Initiation level helps in the overall positive development of skating skills and skating acceleration for our youngest players, thereby better preparing them for when they are old enough to move to higher levels of hockey. **Specifically, Powerscout Hockey noted four significant trends that emerged:**

1. The average distance for the 5-6 year old players to reach top speed was 65 feet.

That means an average player CAN reach top speed in the cross-ice scenario and CAN EASILY reach top speed in a half-ice scenario.

2. Player acceleration speeds (m/s²) increased as the ice surface size was reduced.

Acceleration in the 200-foot(full-ice) sprints and the full-ice games was lower than in cross-ice and half-ice games. Puck movement and availability drives the speed of play, and young players want to “get the puck”. Observation showed that the players believed they had a better opportunity to get the puck when playing on half-ice or cross-ice, which resulted in increased acceleration in pursuing the puck.

3. The average sprint speed achieved in practice is double that of the average game speed.

To help develop a player's skating skills and to become a faster skater, the practice environment is generally more conducive than games. There is a greater opportunity to skate faster for extended periods of time in practice than in a game.

SPECIAL NOTE: This data confirms the importance of practices, and practice to game ratios. The practice environment has a significant positive impact on skill development opportunities. A 3:1 practice to game ratio is recommended by Hockey Canada.

4. When the ice surface size decreases, acceleration rates increase and the top speed comes down.

The relationship between acceleration and top speed is crucial to understand. A combination of turns, pivots, transitions, stops, starts, change of pace and acceleration is needed to “skate the game”, rather than simply having great top speed. According to Powerscout Hockey data, an NHL player has a top

speed of approximately 40 km/h, but they only spend 20 per cent of each game skating above 20 km/h.

SPECIAL NOTE: Half-ice hockey was found to provide an equal balance of speed and acceleration when comparing the three game scenarios. •The average speed when combining all three game scenarios was 5.7km/h(equal to the average speed of the half-ice game)•The average acceleration when combining all three game scenarios was 1.68 m/s²(equal to the average acceleration of the half-ice game)\

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To read more details and see graphs and charts about this study, please go to.....

<https://www.hockeyalberta.ca/uploads/source/Ted/IP%20Speed%20Study.pdf>

b. Novice: Jen Callan

Absent

Report Submitted

- (i) DVMHA Novice Tournament was this past weekend; ran relatively smoothly with the exception of one team that was hard on the refs; it has been dealt with
- (ii) A few games were runaways; we need a more selective review process when choosing teams for each division
- (iii) Novice A Division Champion: Whitemud West
- (iv) Novice B Division Champion: Drayton Valley J&A Jaguars
- (v) Novice C Division Champion: ?

c. Atom: Jason Huber

Absent

d. PeeWee: Kevin Hutchinson

- (i) PeeWee A attended Ponoka Tournament: won Gold
- (ii) PeeWee B attended Pembina Tournament: won Silver
- (iii) 1660 interlock has been a slow start which affects team development due to many open weekends with no games

e. Bantam: Brendon Emmett

- (i) Bantam A in Tier 3: 4-3-0

f. Midget: Darren Fedorus

- (i) Concern with scheduling; Midget A 26 games at this time (two extra compared to other teams)

8. Fundraising Committee:

a. Fundraiser Winners:

- (i) Kyle Musiyowski of Drayton Valley
- (ii) Troy Edwards of Drayton Valley
- (iii) Barb Akitt of Edmonton

b. Fundraised dollars will be used to pay for Novice Jerseys (2016) with the remaining funds paying for monthly ice.

MOTION:

Katrina motioned to have the fundraised dollars cover the cost of the purchase of the Novice Division jerseys to the cost of \$1362.00 . Any remaining fundraised dollars will be used to cover monthly ice fees for all teams.

Brendon accepted the motion, Josh 2nd; all in favour.

Future Meetings: January 10, 2017

Meeting Adjourned: 21:30

President: Troy Patten

Date

Secretary: Pamela Kellner

Date

Policy Type: Operational Personnel Governance	Number: OPERG-11
Policy Name: Communication Flow-Chart for Coaches & Team Officials	Original Effective Date: Date of Last Amendment: July 31, 2007

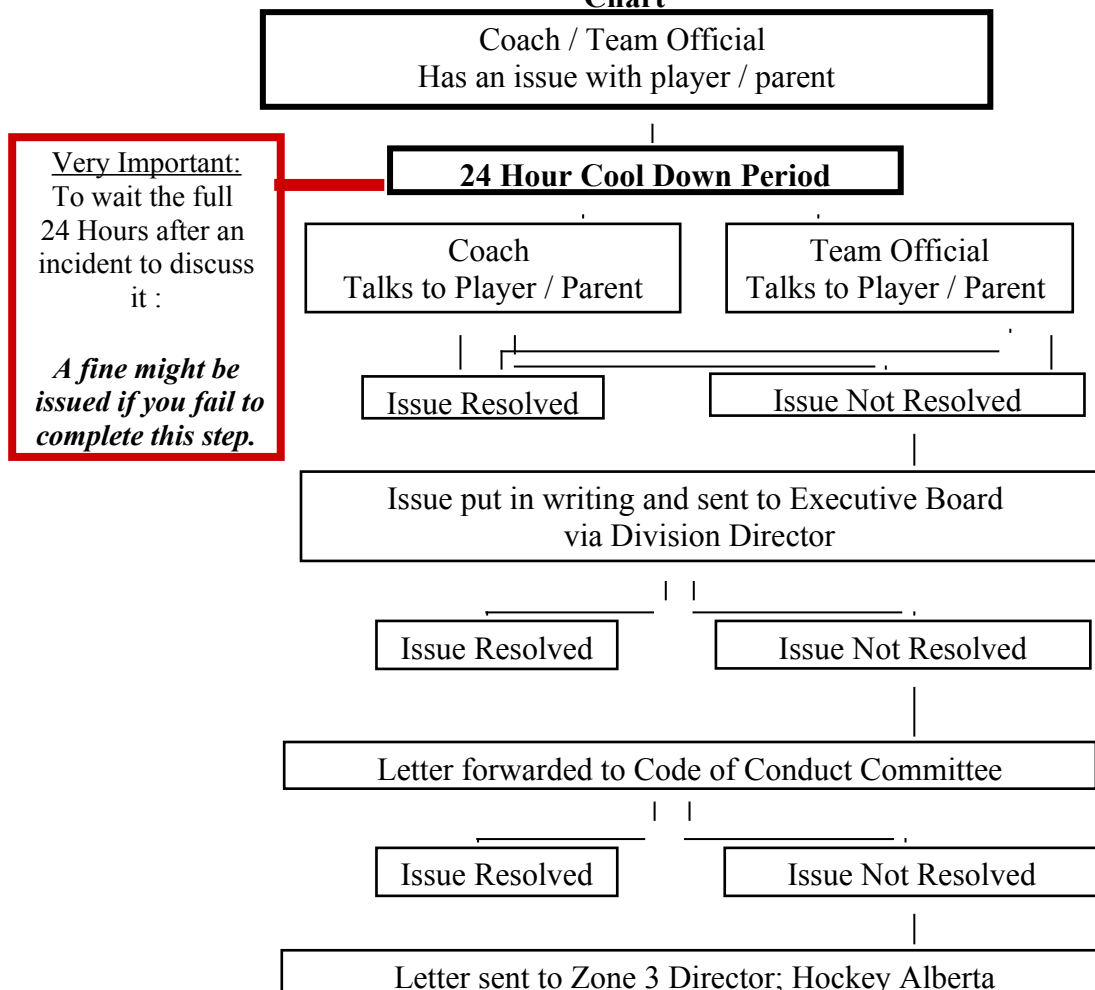
Preamble:

Effective communication can help resolve problems quickly and efficiently. The communication flow-chart is to be used to help members work out their own issues and serve as a guide for when issues need to go to the next level.

Policy:

The following diagram shows how the process of communication on teams should flow.

Drayton Valley Minor Hockey Association: Coaches / Team Official Communication Flow - Chart



Drayton Valley Minor Hockey Social Media Policy

1. INTRODUCTION

For the purpose of this Social Media and Networking Policy, the policy will encompass public communications through such internet mediums and websites as Twitter, Facebook, MySpace, LinkedIn and any other social media network that allows users to communicate online as well as other forms of electronic communication, but not limited to, methods such as 'BBM' or 'texting'.

The policy will be applicable to all members of the Drayton Valley Minor Hockey Association (DVMHA), including DVMHA board members and staff, on-ice and off-ice officials, players, players' family members and supporters.

DVMHA recognizes and appreciates the value of social media and the importance of social networking to all of its stakeholders. DVMHA also respects the right of all Teams and Association personnel to express their views publicly. At the same time we must be aware of the dangers social media and networking can present.

The purpose of this policy is to educate the DVMHA Community on the risks of social media and to ensure all Team and Association personnel are aware that conduct deemed to be inappropriate may be subject to disciplinary action by the Team, League and/or DVMHA.

2. SOCIAL MEDIA GUIDELINES

- a) DVMHA holds the entire DVMHA Community / Members who participate in social media and networking to the same standards as it does for all other forms of media including radio, television and print.
- b) Comments or remarks of an inappropriate nature which are detrimental to a Team, the Association or an individual will not be tolerated and will be subject to disciplinary action.
- c) It should be recognized that social media and comments such as 'texting' are on the record and can be instantly published and available to the public and media. Everyone including Association and/or Team personnel, players, corporate partners and the media can review social media communications. You should conduct yourself in an appropriate and professional manner at all times.
- d) Refrain from divulging confidential information of a personal or team related nature. Avoid revealing business or game strategy that could provide another team or individual a competitive advantage. Furthermore, do not discuss injury information about any player. Only divulge information that is not considered public.
- e) Use your best judgment at all times – pause before posting or sending. Once your comments are posted or sent they cannot be retracted. Ultimately, you are solely responsible for your comments.

Policy Type: Operational Program Governance	Number: OPG-13
Policy Name: Tournaments	Original Effective Date: July 31, 2007 Date of Last Amendment: March 15, 2012

Preamble:

Policy:

- ! DVMHA will host a Mites/Novice tournament and possibly two other tournaments per season, depending on ice availability.
- ! One weekend will be shared; both ice surfaces, for the Mites and Novice divisions.
- ! If ice is available for additional tournaments: Two weekends, one ice surface, to be drawn from a hat for Atom and up to host a tournament. Hosting a tournament will include all teams of the winning division.
- ! The Tournament organization is the responsibility of the Tournament Coordinator and Teams hosting.
- ! Fundraising for prizes, medals, trophies, etc. purchased to enhance your tournament is the responsibility of the hosting division/teams
- ! All funds raised over and above the cost of the tournament will be placed in DVMHA Skills and Development Fund.
- ! Every team may **submit a receipt for one out-of-town tournament up to a maximum of \$500.00 to be reimbursed by DVMHA per season** as long as DVMHA is in good economic standing. With the exception of Midget teams, who are allowed to use this \$500.00 for either tournaments or bussing costs. All teams are required to provide receipts, proving attendance and/or bussing fees are paid prior to being reimbursed.

Policy Type: Operational Financial Governance	Number: OFG-3
Policy Name: Forfeiting & Exchanging Ice Times	Original Effective Date: Date of Last Amendment: July 31, 2007

Preamble:

Policy:

- ! If any ice time is forfeited and the ice scheduler(s) are not given 48 hours notice (other than those times when “Acts of God”, such as extreme weather, ice plant breakdowns, etc. make it impossible to do so) the team will be fined the cost of the ice time and the referee’s if applicable.

- ! If a team exchanges ice with any other team, the ice scheduler(s) need to receive written notice of this exchange via email. The team that is listed as the new occupier of the ice time will be the team that is responsible for any fines for unoccupied ice.