

Drumheller Minor Hockey Executive Meeting
September 8th, 2013

A meeting was held in the Cenovus Meeting room on September 8th, 2013 @ 4:00pm.

Present: Shallyn Schinnour
Sherry Hummel
Laura Cawiezel
Lisa Jacques
Jackie Watts
Jason Ewing
Alisha Ewing
Jason Schrock
Jim Eskeland
Rob Hegberg
Lyle Cawiezel
Joe Castonguay

The 2013/2014 registration numbers are in:

26 Tykes and Timbits
21 Novice
32 Atom
30 PeeWee
18 Bantam
26 Midget

As well, there was an excellent response to the survey on clinics. 67 skaters are interested in a power skating clinic, 58 in a shooting clinic, and 32 in a Defence clinic. There were also 3 goalies interested in a goalie clinic. The question was asked of coaches if they were interested in a clinic to help better their skills and 15 were interested.

Laura Cawiezel contacted Service Alberta (governing agency of Not-for-profits) to ensure that there would be “no conflict of interest” for Rob Hegberg to run some clinics and also be a member of the Board. There is not.

We will start with a power skating session 3 – 1hour ice sessions for \$50.00. This will be held on the weekend of September 28th and 29th. We will need registrations in by September 23rd. Rob will keep age groups together and so the skills will be applicable to each group. There will be two ice sessions on Saturday and one on Sunday. All the info will be on the website and facebook.

Rob Hegberg would like to see the Association start focusing on development of skills from the Tyke level not necessarily worrying about winning or losing. With the development of players, we will see improvements in our teams.

The Board discussed registration numbers and to help the Midget level have two teams with a few more skaters we will ask second year Bantam Players if they are interested in trying out for Midget. The top 3 Bantam players will be asked to move up a level.

Lisa Jacques reported that she was contacted by a 1st year Bantam goalie that missed both registration nights. They have requested to overage in PeeWee and pay the late fee for registration. Joe Castonguay moved that we allow the overage. **Carried Unanimously.**

Sherry Hummel reported that she had a request from two first year Novice aged players to overage in Tykes for the upcoming season. There was discussion if we should allow it since our Novice numbers are so low this year. The

Association does not want to lose the two players completely if they are not allowed to overage. One of the players has never played hockey before.

Joe Castonguay moved that the request be approved. **Carried Unanimously.**

Jason Schrock was contacted by a possible coach for the Tyke program wondering if it was possible to start booking games for the Tyke team prior to the January 1st - this date that was set by the Board in a previous year.

Rob Hegberg feels that we need to develop our Tyke player's skills before we worry about them playing games. He feels we should look into a "House League" type of program. We could split the ice so that is not such a large surface to play on. We can focus on their ability to handle the puck, skating and confidence levels.

The Board agreed with Rob Hegberg and his vision for the Tyke program. We will leave the January 1st as the date before games can be booked. He will work with the coaches. We are going to look at some kind of ice divider so we can split the ice in half.

There was a request to have a Tyke aged player move up to Novice. The ability of the player to handle Novice hockey was discussed and the Board felt that it would be in the best interest to allow the player to move up to Novice.

Joe Castonguay moved that the request be approved. **Carried Unanimously.**

There was a request to have a second year Atom aged player move up to Pee Wee.

Joe Castonguay moved that the request be approved. **Carried.**

The Board had a discussion on the low numbers for Novice. It would be 11 players on lower tiered team and 10 on the higher tiered team. We will see if any first year Atom players would be interested in overaging another year in Novice.

Sherry Hummel was contacted by a family that missed registration night and requested the \$100.00 late fee be waived. The Board stated that it is policy and that the late fee would not be waived.

Jackie Watts was contacted by Hanna Minor Hockey wanting to rent some of our ice as there ice will not be in until October. The Board agreed that as long as we did not need the ice we would charge Hanna \$85.00 plus GST per hour.

Alisha Ewing reported that Hockey Pictures will be on October 10, 2013. Darcy Notland will be doing the pictures again this year.

Jackie Watts also reported the way Dryland Training is going to be booked by teams is changing. In prior years, each team would book their own – it will now be that all Dryland Training will be booked through Jackie. The facility will block off certain hours for Minor Hockey and it will be up to the teams to let Jackie know. There will be one billing to Minor Hockey and Minor Hockey will invoice each team. Marina Flater will come to a coach's meeting and explain to the coaches how it will work.

The Drumheller Dragons contacted DMHA to see if we were willing to help out with bartending at their fundraiser the night of September 20th, 2013. They will pay DMHA \$100.00 for each volunteer. We will need 6.

Next Meeting Friday, September 27th @ 6:00 in the Cenovus Meeting Room.

Meeting adjourned at 5:50 pm.