



Innisfail Minor Hockey Association  
 Board Meeting  
 Date: March.10.2016 7:30 pm  
 Place: Boardroom - Innisfail Arena

**Participants**

Invited	Attend	Regrets	Invited	Attend	Regrets
Stephen Bates	X		Bill Westman	X	
Alan Smith	X		Bruce Rafuse	X	
Sean Slaney	X		Megan McDonald		X
Matt Atwell		X	Brett Kelly	X	
Kim Green	X		Darwin Amundson	X	
Murray Reay	X		Dez Lorencz		X
Shelley Sauter	X		Sara Howell	X	
Aaron Kitzul	X		Elwin Wiens	X	
			Pat Adams		X

**Agenda**

Item #	Topics to be discussed		
1.	Call to order		
2.	Additions and Approval of Agenda		
3.	Reading and adoption of Minutes: a) February 11, 2016 b) December 2015 Email Motion		
4.	Old Business a) Apparel Policy b) Double A		
5.	New Business a) Grievance Form b) Coach/Manager of the Year c) Feedback Forms d) Tedeschini Award e) Female Atom Provincials f) CAHL Meeting		
6.	Correspondence a) Town of Innisfail		
7.	Directors' Reports		
8.	Next Meeting Date		
9.	Adjournment		

**Minutes**

Item #	
1.	<b>Stephen Bates called meeting to order at 7:35 pm</b>
2.	<b>Additions and approval of agenda</b> Bruce Rafuse moved to accept the agenda as presented with the additions of 3(b), 4 (a), 4 (b), 5(g), 5(h) & 6(a). Brett Kelly seconded. <b>Motion Carried</b>
3.	<b>Reading and adoptions of minutes:</b> a) <b>February 11, 2016</b> Darwin Amundson moved to accept the minutes as presented. Aaron Kitzul seconded. <b>Motion Carried</b>

	<p>b) <b>December 2015 Email Motion</b>  Bruce Rafuse moved to accept the motion as presented. Darwin Amundson seconded. <b><u>Motion Carried</u></b></p>
4.	<p><b>Old Business</b></p> <p>a) Apparel Policy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Updated policy draft circulated and will be shared via email for review</li> <li>• Clarification that there are 2 contracts; one with TBS and one with Bauer</li> <li>• First right of refusal process is area that changes is focused on, as well as financial penalty for ignoring policy</li> </ul> <p>b) Double 'A' Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Last meeting there was commitment from Minor Hockey Associations in Innisfail, Spruceview, Bowden &amp; Sundre to provide ice for practices &amp; games. Carstairs committed ice for games.</li> <li>• Olds Minor Hockey is taking the above back to their board to see what they will commit to</li> <li>• Discussion around whether Olds Minor Hockey will run program or will a separate Society running it. There is an even split but Olds has not made their vote.</li> <li>• If as a separate society, they would use Olds Minor Hockey for registration purposes, their ice convener for ice booking and their Referee-in-Chief for booking referees. These will have a cost because those are paid positions on Olds board. Costs will be passed right on to kids</li> <li>• Evaluation costs will also be passed on to kids trying out (Calgary independent evaluators are hired to do the evaluations in Olds). Evaluations will go to society for creating teams. There will be a decision made on team selection: from all evaluator picked to all coach picked or somewhere in between</li> <li>• All financials would come to Society</li> <li>• Biggest start-up cost would be sweater with new name &amp; new logo</li> <li>• Next meeting is in a few weeks</li> </ul>
5.	<p><b>New Business</b></p> <p>a) Grievance Form</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grievance filed against IMHA athlete parent by a Coach</li> <li>• Letter centered on playing time of athlete and was allegedly discussed loudly in public venues (lobbies, hallways, etc.) with profanities exchanged by Coach &amp; parent. There was a challenge to settle the matter 'outside'</li> <li>• Director will gather statements from witnesses and give to Discipline Committee</li> <li>• Discipline Committee will meet on Monday march 17, 2016. Shelley Sauter will sit on in place of Dez Lorencz. Committee will constitute: Bruce, Sara, Shelley, Murray &amp; Aaron.</li> </ul> <p>b) Coach/Manager of the Year</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 35 nominations returned on 11 different Managers</li> <li>• 58 nominations returned on 17 different Coaches</li> <li>• IMHA Board Members that were nominated were recused from discussions &amp; votes for those categories</li> <li>• Manager of the Year (Atom &amp; under). Teresa Dodd voted as Manager of the Year.</li> <li>• Manager of the Year (PeeWee &amp; up).Dez Lorencz voted as Manager of the Year</li> <li>• Sean Slaney made motion to award Teresa Dodd &amp; Dez Lorencz as Managers of the Year. Darwin Amundson seconded. <b><u>Motion Carried</u></b></li> <li>• Coach of the Year (Atom &amp; under). Dave Scott voted as Coach of the Year.</li> <li>• Coach of the Year (PeeWee &amp; up). Aaron Kitkul voted as Coach of the Year</li> <li>• Sean Slaney made motion to award Dave Scott &amp; Aaron Kitkul as Coaches of the Year. Darwin Amundson seconded. <b><u>Motion Carried</u></b></li> </ul>

	<p>c) Feedback Forms</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 8 forms returned from Managers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recommended a 1<sup>st</sup> time Manager's manual</li> <li>• Would like to have a manager's meeting at start of season</li> <li>• Parent behavior is a concern</li> <li>• Parent liaison may be an option for some teams</li> </ul> </li> <li>• 27 forms returned from Coaches <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parent behavior is a concern</li> <li>• More structured plans needed for Dynamite</li> <li>• CAHL league had positive/negative feedback</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>d) Tedeschini Award</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discussion of several candidates</li> <li>• Stephen Bates recused</li> <li>• Kim Green makes motion to award Tedeschini award to Frankie Bates. Brett Kelly seconded. <b><u>Motion Carried</u></b></li> </ul> <p>e) Female Atom Provincials</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Request board member on March 17, 2016 for puck drop</li> <li>• President Stephen Bates will see if he can make it. If not Kim Green volunteers</li> </ul> <p>f) CAHL Meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Letter requesting to be a voting membership instead of probationary. Will be voted on at upcoming AGM</li> <li>• 14 other associations requesting to join CAHL. Most of our neighbouring associations are coming to CAHL as probationary members. This will likely result in the desired north-south split at highway 1; which should reduce travel</li> <li>• Many smaller procedure/rule changes, but the most impactful one is that tiering games won't count as league games. This will result in more games to be played.</li> </ul> <p>g) PeeWee Checking Clinic</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An in-house clinic for 2<sup>nd</sup> year PeeWees on checking to will be held to prepare for Bantam where hitting is allowed. The clinic will be 3 sessions. Have dates &amp; ice times and will have 18 Innisfail athletes &amp; 3 Olds athletes (Innisfail kids playing in Olds)</li> <li>• Aaron Kitzul, Sean Slaney, Stephen Bates &amp; Shane Hagel are facilitators</li> </ul> <p>h) Midget jerseys</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In the past, retirement jerseys were charged out at \$50 each. With increase in jersey costs &amp; quality we should increase fee to replacement cost; this will be dependent on jersey type. The exception is jerseys at end of serviceable life and will be free.</li> </ul>
6.	<p><b>Correspondence</b></p> <p>a) Town of Innisfail</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Effective September 1, 2016: Primetime (4pm-10pm weekdays, Saturday, Sunday &amp; holidays) rate will be \$78/hour. Non-primetime rate will be \$47/hour.</li> <li>• Letter of understanding on sub-letting the ice next season. This letter will cover one season. Town requesting we come to a longer term agreement at end of next season</li> <li>• Local groups youth pay our costs \$78, non-local youth is \$90 when we sublet</li> </ul>
7.	<p><b>Directors' Reports</b></p> <p>a) Hockey Development (Sean Slaney)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No Report</li> </ul> <p>b) Eaglets / Dynamite (Matt Atwell)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>ABSENT</b></li> </ul> <p>c) Novice (Megan McDonald)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>ABSENT</b></li> </ul>

	<p>d) Atom (Darwin Amundson)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CAHL Atom B playoff had 1<sup>st</sup> two rounds over one month. The next round may be 6 games in next 7 nights dependent on wins</li> </ul> <p>e) Peewee (Aaron Kitzul)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No Report</li> </ul> <p>f) Bantam (Shelly Sauter)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No Report</li> </ul> <p>g) Midget (Bill Westman)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No Report</li> </ul> <p>h) Female (Sara Howell)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Excitement already for female hockey for next year</li> <li>Recommend that IMHA runs Discover Hockey for Females independently. Possibly expand to a separate sessions for Discover Hockey for Males as well.</li> </ul> <p>i) Vice President (Brett Kelly)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Red Deer would accept our teams into their Novice Program. Will bring more information/details to our next meeting (AGM)</li> </ul> <p>j) Registrar (Dez Lorencz)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>ABSENT</b></li> </ul> <p>k) Treasurer (Kim Green)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No Report</li> </ul> <p>l) Referee in Chief (Bruce Rafuse)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2 Referee Clinics upcoming on March 16, 2016 for 15-17 year old referees. Going to have some level 5 referees mentor this group. They will referee a checking scrimmage at the checking clinic as a live test</li> </ul> <p>m) Executive Director (Elwin Wiens)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>March 21, 2016 is our last booking.</li> <li>March 22, 2016 is referee wind-up</li> <li>March 23, 2016 is awards night</li> <li>March 24, 2016 is coach/manager windup</li> <li>Golf Course contacted to offer same rate as last year for a September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016 tourney</li> </ul> <p>n) Equipment Director (Murray Reay)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Directors Atom &amp; down please notify managers to turn in jerseys, equipment &amp; locker keys</li> </ul>
8.	<b>Next meeting:</b> April 26, 2016 @ 7:00 pm – Innisfail Legion <b>ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING</b>
9.	<b>Adjournment:</b> Aaron Kitzul moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:41 pm. Bill Westman seconded. <b>Motion Carried</b>
	<b>Minutes:</b> Alan Smith

Item #	Action	Who
4 (a)	Email draft of changes to Apparel Policy to Board Members	Stephen Bates
4 (b)	Provide update from Double A meeting	Sean Slaney
5 (a)	Gather witness statements	Aaron Kitzul
5 (a)	Meet and review statements/grievance & share recommendations with board	Discipline Committee
5 (b)	Notify engravers of award recipients	Elwin Wiens
5 (d)	Notify engravers of award recipient	Elwin Wiens
5 (f)	Update board on CAHL decision	Elwin Wiens
5 (h)	Notify Midget retirees of costs on jerseys	Murray Reay
7 (i)	Present option at AGM for Novice Program for next season	Brett Kelly
7 (m)	Notify membership of dates for wind-ups	Elwin Wiens
7 (n)	Notify team managers on process for returning IMHA property	Directors
8	Book Legion for Annual General Meeting & notify membership	Elwin Wiens
8	Nomination Committee to meet (Megan, Shelley & Kim)	Shelley Sauter