



# **Okotoks Minor Hockey Association**

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## Minutes of OMHA Board Meeting

Monday March 14<sup>h</sup>, 2016

1. Meeting called to order at 7:17pm
2. In attendance :Debi Hartle, Lindsay Graw, , Amanda Germain, Kerry Rawson, Ron Kanten, Angie Hodgins, Geoff Stewart. Ryan Klippenstine, Karla Helm, Tammy Szilagyi, Roy Bowlby, Nancy Bowlby, Tara Small, Kevin Pashuk
3. Minutes from previous meeting - Lindsay moved the minutes be accepted. All in favor.
4. Reports
  - a) Geoff Stewart -
    - i. Mock trial tomorrow with Xcellerate – there will be novice skaters on the ice. Who from the Board can make it? Can you bring an iPad?
    - ii. Hockeyville – Saturday is the top 2 reveal. Great community support.
    - iii. Development – Geoff will round table with southern Alberta Hockey Associations about Timbits and Novice,
    - iv. Question about the House Division Peewee, Bantam, and Midget, Will it be tiered? We will have to talk to other Associations again before the 2016/17 season starts.
    - v. Question: Is the coach survey confidential ? Geoff answered with “YES”. The coaches will be given feedback , but won’t be told who it was from.
    - vi. Geoff will talk with Summit about concussion testing. Summit would also like to talk to our membership about concussions. Geoff will call and discuss.
  - b) Kerry Rawson – ORA
    - i. Something needs to be done with the fans in the stands. What can we do? Where can we get support? It was commented , that Arenas are public places , and anyone can come and watch a game. OMHA Executive and the ORA will set up a roundtable to discuss further.
    - ii. All Tournaments that require officials ( so , all of them ;) ) will have to pay 30 days in advance – or no officials will be assigned.
    - iii. Question was asked – If a Coach calls over an official to talk, what is the procedure? And can the Official say “no, I’m not talking to you” Kerry said it all depends on the situation. If a Coach is calling over an Official to complain about a call – no, the Official doesn’t have to talk to a Coach. If the Coach is throwing up his hands – no the Official doesn’t have to talk to him. Respect has to go both ways with the Coach and Official.
  - c) Lindsay Graw – also reporting for Jamie Steer
    - i. Registration will open 9am June 13 2016 and close Sunday July 17



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- ii. Lindsay will need the fees, dates and ice times for the charged skate (tune up) with Hi-Tech.
  - iii. The NCHL is ending. CAHL heard from Sylvan Lake, Bentley, Rimby, Lacombe. Caroline, Spruceview, Rocky Mountain House, 3C (Coronation, Castor, Consort) Sundre, Eckville. Blackfalds about joining the CAHL. The 3 C's are coming in on probation and cannot use Consort as a home arena.
  - iv. Raymond, Warner, Lomond, Pikani Nation in the south and Delia up North has a bid coming in
  - v. The NOM's were the usual, fixing rules and regulations.
  - vi. All teams after re-seeding will start 0-0. This will help prevent teams from getting only 7-10 games after the re-seeding. It will also stop movement because 1 team will lose too many games played etc.
  - vii. Suspensions will be handed out to off-ice officials that can't fulfill their roll. Too many times the off-ice officials were asked to leave the penalty box.
  - viii. CAHL is tinkering with where to put teams and what tiers will be empty.
- d) Amanda Germain –
- i. Directors, Please remind your managers to submit end of the year Financial information. If teams that have left over money that they are looking to donate, please suggest they donate to OMHA Hardship fund or the twinning of the Centennial Arena.
  - ii. The casino is coming up in March. This is an important fundraiser for OMHA.
  - iii. Jerseys and Jeans is 70 % sold out.
- e) Debi Hartle-
- i. Please send in Coach of the Year Nominations to [secretary@okotokshockey.com](mailto:secretary@okotokshockey.com)
  - ii. Please send in Volunteer of the year nominations to [secretary@okotokshockey.com](mailto:secretary@okotokshockey.com)

## Directors :

- Equipment drop off will be Tuesdays and Thursdays. Ryan will send email to directors.
- OMHA needs to work on cell phone policy. We need to educate our coaches more. Perhaps a mandatory coach meeting like the manager meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05



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