



Executive Meeting Agenda  
 DATE: February 13, 2023  
 LOCATION: 6:30 pm – Stony Plain Library

VOTING POSITION	NAME	Y/N	NON-VOTING	NAME	Y/N
President	Miranda Niebergall	Y	Special Events	Alana Kirkman	N
VP Admin	Colin Kuca	Y	Social Media	Donna Freake	Y
VP Operations	Blaine Bretzlaff	N	Equipment	Dez Hamilton	N
Player Dev.	Thomas Scantlebury	Y	Onoway Rep.	Amy Warren	Y
Coach Dev.	Matt Curry	N			
P & P	Kelly Stockwell	Y	Registration Coord.	Harmony Pawluk	Y
Treasurer	Ray Saruk	Y	Ice Scheduler	Ryan Steinke	N
Director at Large	Jeff Wilson	Y	Head of Officiating	Ryan Steinke	N
Past President	Vacant				
U7 Director	Brad Labine (Gmeet)	Y			
U9 Director	Curtis Boudreau	Y			
U11 Director	Paul Befus	N			
U13 Director	Robert Helm	Y			
U15 Director	Derek Onysko	Y			
U18/21 Director	Brent Riczu	Y			
Referee in Chief	Kimberlee Young	N			
DEI Director	Kaylee Duncan (Gmeet)	Y			

**Call Meeting to Order: 6:40**

**1. Approve Agenda:**

**Motion: Thomas Scantlebury**

**Second: Curtis Boudreau**

## 2. Approve Previous Minutes:

**Motion:** Jeff Wilson                      **Second:** Collin Kuca

## 3. Old Business:

- a. Concussion protocol app (U13 Director)

## 4. New Business:

- **PAC report – Craig Ross**
  - Not present. Nothing to report.
- **Onoway report – Amy Warren**
  - Rule 11 Maltreatment – incident with a player on SN702 and there didn't seem to be consistency on the ruling between the two players involved.
  - Ice scheduling – schedules being released late / no schedule, hours of slots especially U18 quite late, the use of Onoway ice with the combined teams.
  - EFHL – more information for first time parents would have helped, ice maintenance during the week and no flood safety concerns at the U18 level.
  - The special events – SPMHA dance, raffle tickets, bingos, etc. – more information sooner would be helpful if the partnership between the associations continues into 2023-2024.
- **Special Events**
  - Not present. Nothing to report.
  - For the dance in the future, consideration for dietary restrictions.
  - Could there be an option for tickets that are reduced in price at the door later in the evening for the teams that had games that evening?
- **Social Media**
  - Can't share links on Instagram – only Facebook. False alarm – link in bio!
  - Always looking for new ideas for the social media feed.
- **Scheduling Coordinator**
  - Not present. Nothing to report.
  - One team has seen a few instances where the ice wasn't ready at the start of their ice time (practices and games) at the TLC. Email Ryan if you are seeing this.
- **Registration Coordinator**
  - Minor Hockey Week
    - Overall was successful and many lessons learned for next year regarding scheduling, refreshments, etc.
  - Meetings
    - June 8 - shall we change this from a regular meeting to the board changeover gathering?
      - Yes – this will be the meeting with the old executive and the new executive. Should be held at a larger facility than the library.
  - U21 Rec
    - Suggest we try this again for this season and start advertising early?
      - Start advertising on social media.
      - U18 Director to solicit the U18 group.
  - Change in Process suggestion
    - In addition to events as a voting position, thoughts on moving all unpaid positions to voting ones and vote on this at AGM?
      - Voting positions must be elected – would be a Bylaw change.
      - Attendance requirement for the voting positions.
  - 2023/24 Registration
    - Will be adding the fundraising payment to the registration as an option for families.

- Photo Partnership
  - Big Wall Pix would like to offer a 10% kick-back to the organization from all parent orders. They believe this total would roughly be about \$1200-\$1500 per year. This kick-back would be based on a 3-year partnership. SGMHA is also pitching this to their board. Another option is year to year as before or researching a new company.
    - Check P&P's regarding putting this out to tender.
- Parent Information Night/Equipment Swap
  - Discussion of Parent Info night before the ice goes in and would like to have an equipment swap at the same time.
- **Equipment Director**
  - Not present.
  - Needs to order U9 jerseys for next season.
  - Wants to order some larger jerseys for the U15/U18 team sets for next season.
  - With the 2010's moving up, do we need another set of jerseys for U15? 2010's with 2011's currently forms our largest group in U13. Delay the order so it falls into next year's budget.
- **Head of Officiating**
  - Not present. Nothing to report.
- **VP Administration**
  - Nothing to report at this time.
- **VP Hockey Operations**
  - Not present. Nothing to report.
- **Player Development**
  - Player Development had 20 sessions scheduled for the month of January - 18 completed, 2 missed by MCN due to their own scheduling errors for which I have not received an explanation. Thank you to the teams that went ahead with their scheduled times even though they had not had adequate practice time ahead of Minor hockey week. Completing those scheduled sessions lessens conflict with MCN and ensures other sessions are not cancelled or vacated by MCN. We will have a sit down with Matt from MCN to go over the year.
  - There has been both constructive criticism and praise from coaches about our providers' instructors. I have passed along both our praise and concerns with them. I have also received feedback from U7 coaches about their sessions and the use of the ice times. This is a discussion that we will have to have but believe there is any easy fix for next year.
  - February will see the final four sessions for U7 and U9 along with two U9 goalie skills introduction sessions led by Travis Zeigler and Gord MacDonald. Would like to have a third goalie session in the start of March specifically for 2013/14 goalies (next year's U11 group) as they have been identified as needing extra work.
  - The March report will have a comprehensive breakdown of the year's player development with suggestions and analysis for the next year.
- **Coach Development**
  - Not present. Nothing to report.
- **Policy and Procedures**
  - Nothing to report at this time.
- **Treasurer Report**
  - Highlights
  - This year we have had many successful fundraisers, thank you to all the volunteers that organized them.
  - Below are the amounts the association raised after expenses for each event, this money goes to offering things like the prep skates, player and coach development and helps us keep our fees at a reasonable rate. We should have the final numbers from the U7 Jamboree and Dance for next month.
    - Golf Tournament - \$ 13,373.76

- Association Raffle - \$ 71,294.03
  - U13 Tournament - \$ 12,080.00
- We had our first Jersey Sale to get rid of old stock, this was very successful and we should have another one, it was suggested to do it during the prep skates. We still have about half the Jerseys left, plus we should have old U9 jerseys by then as well as the plan is to replace those this year. We raised \$3411 at this sale.
- Budget
  - Budget sent out with where we are year to date, we have a couple higher expenses than budgeted for.
    - Ice is higher than budgeted, this is due to us having more teams than we thought when the budget was created in the summer, extra U13 and U18.
    - Equipment is higher as well due to having to order an extra set of U13 and 18 Jerseys.
    - These costs are offset though by the higher registration numbers and revenue we have, I have a count of 464 players in U7-U18 to a budgeted amount of 425.
- **Director at Large/EMHL Rep**
  - In regards to Rule 11, we were experiencing this last year and we need to get on board with the changes that this brings and lead on it, rather than continue to dwell on violations and suspensions.
- **U7 Director**
  - Shout out to Alana for organizing the U7 Jamboree. Feedback from parents, coaches, and managers was that the event was a lot of fun for the players and that there was a lot of creative ideas.
  - Can Directors be added to Ice Schedule Chat?
  - U7 Mid-Season Survey
    - 71% of surveys were returned by parents.
    - Evaluation Process
      - Requests of in-game play to be included in evaluation.
      - 82% of parents supported current tiering process.
    - Common topics in responses:
      - Team size is too large.
      - Ice schedule not updated frequently enough with sufficient notice. Makes it difficult to plan games as games are scheduled by the teams themselves. U7 schedule should be completed at the start of the year as it is always the same 2 days (Sat/Sun), 2 times (7/8:15), and 2 locations (GH/TLC).
    - Lots of good feedback was given into U7 parents manual that I am currently working on. If any of the board has ideas of what should be included for new to hockey parents, please let me know.
- **U9 Director**
  - Received a memo from Chris March with the EFHL that the U9's were to use the smaller nets instead of the regular size going forward. Assumed we had the nets already, but we do not. We will need 4 at the Glenn Hall Arena for U9 Split games.
    - Check if Dez is on this.
- **U11 Director**
  - Not present. Nothing to report.
- **U13 Director**
  - Concussion protocol app – will be covered in old business start of next meeting.
- **U15 Director**
  - Conversation with EFHL Discipline Committee (Michelle) – Coaches/Officials
  - If issues/concerns with officials, submit them to raise awareness about these problems.
- **U18/U21 Director**
  - There have been several disciplinary actions taken with all the teams.
  - All of the teams are ready to make big playoff pushes.

- **Referee in Chief**
  - Supervisions: 10-12, MHW helped senior refs to complete some of their required supervisions before playoffs. Asked the senior refs to show up an hour early so they could give advice to the younger officials potentially working newer or higher levels.
  - Starting to move officials into higher levels as supervisions deem them qualified and competent, trying to keep a senior official on the ice for the first few games to give them support when needed.
  - Both timekeepers, refs, and team officials need to start checking game sheets more thoroughly.
  - If there is a write up refs will complete that ASAP after games. If there isn't a write up necessary, coaches should know if there's one necessary or not because of a player being removed from the game. There have been times when timekeepers have entered the wrong penalty into the sheet. We as officials cannot change that and if there's no write up needed, we can't complete the game sheet officially.
  - Ref recognition fund. Is there a budget for this? Am thinking of purchasing two Under Armour duffle bags, ranging in prices from \$55.00 to \$89.00 without taxes, getting those embroidered with the Predators logo and JUNIOR or SENIOR ref of the year 2022-2023, with two skate towels with the same logo/words. Would like to have five ref of the month skate towels also with the Predators logo and "Ref of the Month" with the respective months on the towels (November - March).
- **Diversity, Equity, Inclusion Director**
  - Sledge hockey demonstration back and forth between Kaylee and their rep has come to a crawl. Everything discussed had to go back to their board.
  - Completed Kruger Big Assist grant application for the association.
- **President Report**
  - Nothing to report for this meeting – individual meetings required.

Next Meeting: Monday, March 13, 2023 at 6:30 pm at the Stony Plain Library.

Meeting Following: Monday, April 3, 2023 at 6:30 pm at the Stony Plain Library.

<b>Adjourn Meeting Order: 8:50 pm</b>	<b>Motion by: Collin Kuca</b>	<b>Second: Jeff Wilson</b>
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