

## **OMHMHA Meeting Minutes for December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

**Meeting called to order at 7:00pm.**

**Attendance:** Jen Johnston, Susan Cameron, Tiffany Pincott, Gordon Moore, Bill Forman, Trishia Edwards, Roxanne Sutton, Tammy Mikkelsen, Mark Bissat, Nicole Blades, Kersti Toews, Marie Schaff, Mike Rispin (NCD VP), Tereasa Porter.

**Motion to adopt the agenda as presented. Seconded. Discussion to change the order of agenda items. President' Report, Treasurer's Report, Manager Reports, New Business, Action Items then the remainder of agenda items. Carried.**

**Motion to approve the minutes from the November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023, OMHMHA meeting. Seconded. Discussion. Strike the names from motions. Carried.**

### **President's Report**

- \$512 was donated by the Canucks Alumni to go towards goaltender development, training, equipment. Discuss further at January meeting.

- Reminder that coaching qualifications need to be submitted by Dec 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023. U13 Rep is approved for BC Championships.

### **Treasurer's Report**

- Chequing account- \$46,564.48

- Gaming account- \$39,035.00

- Volunteer account- \$25,553.16

## **Manager Reports**

-It was suggested that in future Manager's reports can be sent to the Secretary prior to each meeting and read out loud at the meeting. If a Manager has something extra to discuss with the board they can ask at the first of the meeting for that item to be added to the agenda.

### **U9**

-U9 tournament will be half ice.

### **U11**

-Tournament December 15-17. Hoping it will run smooth. Trishia is spearheading tournament efforts and is putting together a list of tournament rules.

-Requesting two of the left over First Shift sticks for tournament to use as loonie sticks.

### **U11 Development**

-Prince George is asking for exhibition games.

-Had to say no to Williams Lake tournament due to schedule conflict.

-Practices going well.

### **U13 Rep**

-Going well. Great group of players and parents.

-Had a player get injured and has been out for a month.

-Marie is helping to fix some schedule issues.

### **U18**

-Some issues with AP players. Discussions ongoing.

-Five U15 AP players have helped out the team and are doing well.

-Team is playing great and having fun.

-Home Tournament went well. However, the tournament lost money due to extra referee costs (\$1200). Team asking that in future to have a tournament coordinator or delegate on site in order to deal with issues that come up.

-Team asking for \$1200 to cover Quesnel tournament fee.

### **First Shift Transition and U11 Transition Program**

-A couple of parents from First Shift have expressed interest in being on ice helpers or volunteer in some way with this group. Must have credentials completed and submitted to the Registrar by December 15<sup>th</sup>.

-Bill recommended that Jason Cameron evaluate all First Shift players at December 18<sup>th</sup> practice to determine which players should go to U7 and U9.

-First Shift needs full ice in future. Half ice doesn't work for the program.

-Need to set a fee for the transition program. (\$150 was the fee last year)

**-Motion to charge \$150 for two ice times per week for First Shift Transition Program. Seconded. Discussion. Approved.**

**-Motion to make U11 Transition for U9 teams the starting the week of February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Seconded. Discussion. Carried.**

### **Equipment Manager Report**

-Lock box is now installed in the equipment room.

-U7 group lost their pucks.

-Requesting to order pucks and two flat blade goalie sticks.

### **Old Business**

#### **Action Items from Previous Meetings:**

### **Completed Items:**

- Mark to fix OMHMHA door so that kids can't reach their arm in and unlock the door. **Complete.**
- Mark to put lock box in the equipment room to store the Ipads for the teams to use for games. **Complete.**
- Bill to speak to the U9 Coaches about the Wranglers helping with practices. **Complete.**
- Susan to add <http://northcentral.hisports.site> to our website. The site is to view league schedules. **Complete.**
- Susan to email Tournament Coordinators a list of Managers. **Complete.**
- Mark to get a quote for the cost of new whistles. Email Nicki the quote. **\$25 each. Decided that no new whistles are required at this time.**
- Susan to send email to the association about Canlan conduct and sock info. **Complete.**
- Marie working on calculating number of ice times in order to figure out U11 Development fees. **Complete.**
- Kersti to deal with Post Office. **Complete. Key located in OMHMHA office.**
- Susan & Jen to email manager reminder to turn first team meeting documents into the OMHMHA office. **Complete.**
- Kersti to send BC Hockey first team meeting Information. **Complete.**
- Susan & Jen to purchase and compile HCSP folder for each team. **Complete.**

### **Pending Action Items**

- Tammy to verify that the Wranglers have Respect in Sport and Criminal Record Check completed. OMHMHA will reimburse money to take course. **Ongoing.**
- Kersti to reach out to the Balbernie's regarding the female account. Nicki was asked to contact the Balbernie's to answer the Balbernie's questions. **Ongoing.**

-Kersti to get Susan latest NCD policy, complete NCD and OMAHA playing rules, and OMHMHA constitution all to be linked to our website. **Kersti waiting for NCD update.**

Mandy to create file folders in OMHMHA office for disciplinary issues. **In progress.**

-Everyone put thought into how association wide and rec division/team fundraising should be allocated so that we can create clear and consistent policy/direction. **In progress.**

-Susan to write policy about meal stipend for officials who ref 3 or more games per day and present it at next board meeting. **Mark to assist.**

-Set up Team Snap for Officials. Mandy, Mark, Susan & Nicki. **Ongoing.**

-Marie to add U13 Rep & U15 Coaches to Team Snap. **Ongoing.**

-Susan & Jen to add more info to board book regarding tournaments and how the money is managed. The treasurer and manager should work together. **Ongoing.**

-Nicki, Susan & Jen to create a Tournament costing template. **Ongoing.**

-Nicki to look at association wide 50/50. **Will discuss in future meeting.**

## **Policy Amendments-**

### **5.4 Affiliations**

-See attached.

**-Motion to approve amendment to 5.4 Affiliations. Seconded. Discussion. Carried.**

### **7.1 Suspensions**

-See attached.

**-Motion to adopt suspension section. Seconded Discussion. Carried.**

## Tournaments

- Tournament fundraising will be discussed at next OMHMHA meeting.
- Motion to give the U18 team \$1200 for Quesnel Tournament Fees. Seconded Discussion. Vote was postponed.**
- U15 team still needs to turn in financial report and money from their home tournament.
- Motion to give U11 Tournament 2 sticks from First Shift excess to use for loonie sticks. Seconded. Discussion. Carried.**

## Poinsettia Fundraiser

- Did well. Will have more info at next meeting.

## New Business

### Constitution & Bylaws Committee

- Amendments need to be made 60 days prior to AGM. Needs to be submitted end of February.
- Committee Members: Susan Cameron, Jen Johnston, Mark Bissat, Possibly Kersti Toews and two other delegates from outside the association.

### New Action Items

- Susan and Jen to send out an email to managers that all future manager reports should be emailed in advance of each monthly meeting to Secretary.
- The first week of January an email needs to be sent out to the entire association in regards to parent conduct in the stands. **Kersti and Marie to write and send out email.**

-Discipline Committee Chair to have a meeting with teams to remind them about conduct in the stands. **Marie and Bill to host these meetings in January.**

-Trishia and Gordon will have a discussion with their U18 team parents regarding conduct in the stands. **This item to be done at the next U18 practice.**

-An email to managers and coaches about the iPad lock box in the equipment room and keeping the equipment room closed. **Susan and Jen.**

-Put First Shift Transition fees on Team Snap. **Mandy.**

-Trishia to send email week of December 18<sup>th</sup> to First Shift regarding Jan-Mar hockey registration.

**Meeting adjourned 10:37pm.**

**Next OMHMHA meeting will be held on Tuesday January 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00pm in the South Cariboo Rec Centre Lions Den.**

## OMHMHA policy change proposals for Dec 13, 2023 Board meeting

1. Policy 7.1.1 should change from “Any player receiving a one-game suspension handed out by OMHMHA, NCDMHA, OMAHA and/or BC Hockey, other than the number of games included in the suspension, shall be permitted to attend all BC Hockey practices and off-ice sanctioned activities of their teams.” to “Any player receiving a one-game or two-game suspension handed out by OMHMHA, NCDMHA, OMAHA and/or BC Hockey, other than the number of games included in the suspension, shall be permitted to attend all BC Hockey practices and off-ice sanctioned activities of their teams unless otherwise stated in the suspension notification.”
2. Policy 7.1.2 should change from “Players receiving a three-game suspension or greater, or three single-game suspensions in a season shall have their conduct reviewed by the OMHMHA Discipline Committee to determine whether practices will be missed. Any player receiving a suspension for 30 days or greater shall not be permitted to practice with their team.” to “Players receiving a three-game suspension or greater, or three single-game suspensions in a season shall have their conduct reviewed by the OMHMHA Discipline Committee to determine whether practices will be missed. Any player receiving a suspension for 30 days or greater shall not be permitted to practice with their team unless otherwise stated in the suspension notification.”
3. Remove 7.1.4 “Players who are suspended at school will practice and play in scheduled games with their team at the coach’s discretion.” as school discipline is separate from hockey and should be handled by the school and parents.
4. Reword 7.1.5 from “Head contact - OMHMHA will follow all rules and guidelines of BC Hockey. Reducing the number of head injuries is a priority and will be strictly enforced. MHA’s and the discipline administrator will be required to monitor and track accumulated minutes in minor and double minor penalties assessed to players under BC hockey rule 6.5 (a) and/or (b) Head contact. The team manager of the team will be required to help keep track of these occurrences.” to “OMHMHA will follow all rules and guidelines of BC Hockey regarding head contact. Reducing the number of head injuries is a priority and will be strictly enforced. OMHMHA’s discipline chair will be required to monitor and track accumulated minutes in minor and double minor penalties assessed to players under the BC hockey minimum suspension guidelines.”
5. Policy 7.1 remove the following wording at the end of the policy as it is outdated BC Hockey suspension guidelines: “As per BC Hockey Rule 6.5 (a) (b) - Receipt of a total of 20 accumulated minutes of minor or double minor penalties under rule 6.5 within the same season will equal one game suspension at a minimum. Receipt of a total of 32 accumulated minutes of minor or double minor penalties under rule 6.5 within the same season will equal a three-game suspension at a minimum. Receipt of a total of 40 accumulated minutes of minor or double minor penalties under rule 6.5 within the same season will equal Indefinite Suspension. As per BC Hockey guidelines all indefinite suspensions to a player under this section shall be no less than five games.”
6. For Affiliations Policy 5.4.1:
  - a. Change “All affiliating teams must adhere to all Hockey Canada and BC Hockey affiliation regulations including the number of games played.” to “All affiliating



teams must adhere to all Hockey Canada, BC Hockey and NCDMHA affiliation regulations including the number of games played.”

- b. Change “AP’s may not play for their higher category team before a written agreement is approved by both teams and is filed with OMHMHA and BC Hockey.” to “AP’s may not play for their higher category team before a written agreement is approved by both teams and is filed with OMHMHA, NCDMHA and BC Hockey.”
- c. Add to end of this policy:
  - i. “Players from a lower category team may be permitted to practice with the higher category team in the interest of player development and is at the discretion of the lower category team coach and the higher category team coach.”
  - ii. “Players affiliated under this policy must attend their primary team’s practices and games unless a different agreement is arranged per policies 5.4.1(e) and 5.4.1(g). Failure to comply may result in the player losing their privilege to affiliate or practice with the higher category team in the future.”
  - iii. “A fee will be associated with players affiliating.”