



Thompson Minor Hockey Association

The Mission of the TMHA is to provide participants in our minor ice hockey program with fair and competitive hockey experience that focuses on the development of individual and team hockey skills, the practice of good sportsmanship and fair play and the opportunity to be challenged while having fun.

**Board Meeting – July 22nd 2024
7:00 pm Mary Fenske boardroom**

Call to Order: 19:05

Attendance: Alison, Sean, Colleen, Tom, Tiffany H, Tiffany B, Dustin Martin, Evan, Will

Regrets: Jessie, Nicole, Matt, Judd, Crystal, Leslie, Michelle.

Adoption of the Agenda with Additions: 3 Revisions – Board Best Practice (Sean), Code of Conduct (Dustin), U15 Ice Time (Tiffany H) Motioned by Sean, Seconded by Tiffany.

Approval of the Minutes from: July 15th Meeting: Tabled until next meeting, due to needed revisions.

Delegates: No Delegates.

Directors Reports: (Odd Years)

VP Admin: Criminal Record Checks are due, with a deadline of August 1st for board members. Volunteers are able to pick up their copy from the RCMP and provide TMHA with a copy. All other volunteers are encouraged to apply as soon as possible.

Treasurer: No Report

Registrar: No Report

Director of Officials: Discussion about progress of adult officials obtaining Criminal Record Checks.

Equipment Manager: Discussion about potential sponsorship opportunities from a local business. There will be requests in future to replace uniforms. There was comment about how the division patches are not consistent with the Hockey Canada branding of those respective levels.

Fundraising Coordinator: No Report

U9/U13 Directors: No Reports – Tom echoed similar concerns about uniforms.

U18 Director: Discussion occurred around sourcing qualified coaches for U18. Meetings have occurred with some prospective volunteers. There was a request to further coaching development by funding certain coaching courses.

Old Business:

- Evaluations: There was discussion on what direction TMHA should take in sourcing evaluators for this year's selection progress. Hockey Schools and their price points were discussed including the Rink, Shoot to Score and the Norman Northstars. There was also discussion about what pre-season camp TMHA should arrange.

- Quotes for the Rink to put on this season's camp were approximately \$9,000.00 plus expenses. A motion was put forward to approve up to \$14,000.00 of TMHA funds to host the count. Motioned by Tiffany B, Seconded by Evan – All in favour.
- There was further discussion about securing paid evaluators from Shoot to Score with a quote of approximately \$14,000.00 including referees and ice. The board of directors asked questions about the process and how the teams would be formed. There was concern that the list provided may contravene current policy and best practice. TMHA would have to fund the short fall of the evaluators after try-out fees which would cost the association approximately \$8,000.00. A motion was put forward to secure Shoot to Score as the evaluation team, with the understanding that TMHA would foot the remainder of the bill from general revenue. Motioned by Tiffany H. Seconded by Tiffany B. The motion was defeated 5-3.
- There was discussion if TMHA would subsidize players participating in the Norman Northstars camp. The board of directors elected not to proceed with supplying any TMHA funds.

New Business:

Board Governance Best Practice – In Executive

Code of Conduct – In Executive

Motioned into Executive: 20:26 Motioned by Sean, Seconded by Dustin

Motioned out of Executive: 20:35 Motioned by Sean, Seconded by Evan

U15 Ice Time – There was discussion about checking in U15/U18 and concerns of injury having a 13-year-old (first year U15) checking an 18-year-old (third year U18). There was concern that the checking clinics being offered were not sufficient. The U18/Referee Director asked if there were documented injuries that occurred due to the age difference, as there were limited to no disciplinary issues nor major infractions in game play. A question was also asked if the ice slots were to be separated or checking was to be removed, would TMHA see a direct positive correlation in registration. There was no information to suggest that players including female players (female hockey is body contact) are being dissuaded from registering under our current model. This will be tabled for future meetings after more research can be conducted.

That completes all board voting matters for the evening and completes the meeting. The next meeting will be determined and posted for the public at a later date.

Motion to Adjourn the Meeting at 21:05: Motioned by Sean, Seconded by Martin. All other Board Members in Favour.