

SQUAMISH MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION
(the “Association” or “SMHA”)

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE DIRECTORS OF THE ASSOCIATION (THE “BOARD”) HELD BY WAY OF ZOOM VIRTUAL CONFERENCE AT 6:00 PM (PACIFIC) ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7, 2024.

DIRECTORS PARTICIPATING: Leah Hodges, President (Chair)
Craig Halliday, VP Rep
Anna Le Good, VP House
Kat Gore, Treasurer
Donn Oberg, Secretary
Conny Bonthron, Registrar
Jennifer Schorz, Division Director
Andrew Slater, Division Director
Katie Jones, Division Director

ALSO PARTICIPATING: Jordan McCarl, Technical Director of Hockey
Patricia Wilson, Communications and Admin Assistant

CHAIR: Leah Hodges

SECRETARY: Donn Oberg

MEETING COMMENCEMENT

The Chair stated that before the formal business of the Meeting begun, she wanted to acknowledge that the Association lives, learns and plays on the unceded territory of the Squamish Nation.

With the consent of the meeting, Mrs. Hodges acted as Chair of the meeting and Mrs. Oberg acted as Secretary. With the directors present, there was quorum and the Chair declared the meeting to be duly called and constituted for the transaction of business.

MEETING AGENDA

The Chair noted that the agenda for the meeting had been circulated in advance and unless anyone had any comments or additions, she would ask for a motion to approve.

UPON MOTION duly made and carried, **IT WAS RESOLVED THAT** the agenda for the meeting be approved.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The Chair stated that the first item of business was approval of the minutes of the meeting of the Board held previously, stating that a copy was available in advance of the meeting on Basecamp. The Chair asked if anyone had any comments or revisions regarding the minutes; there were none.

The Chair asked that the Board proceed with approval of the minutes of the meeting held on June 19, 2024 and made a motion in that regard.

UPON MOTION duly made and carried, **IT WAS RESOLVED THAT** the minutes of the meeting of the Board held on June 19, 2024, be approved.

APPROVALS

The Chair noted that the next item of business was items requiring approval either provided for in advance of the meeting in the agenda available through Basecamp, or that arose during the meeting.

- Approval of updated Affiliate Player Policy – tabled to do in basecamp
 - Policy was uploaded to basecamp, board members were asked to review, with a decision to be determined at the next meeting of the Board.
- Approval of updated Policy and Procedure Manual (further updates required)
 - Policy was uploaded to basecamp, board members were asked to review, with a decision to be determined at the next meeting of the Board.
- Approval of Coach and Manager Manual for 2024/2025 season
 - Policy was uploaded to basecamp, board members were asked to review, with a decision to be determined at the next meeting of the Board.
- Approval for 3 underage players to register after Sept 15 in U7 under age. 4 spots still available for first years. 2 new players have registered
 - To be decided in September
- Approval for 2 U15 players who want to register post registration deadline. 43 skaters registered at U15. A 2010 player wants to register currently at 19/22 cap. A 2011 player wants to register currently at 23/22 cap.

Following discussion, **UPON MOTION** duly made and carried, **IT WAS RESOLVED THAT** 2 U15 are approved for registration. This will help our current U15 numbers and will bring us to our U18 cap for the next 2 years of 72.

- Approval for players to buy and be given permission to use name bars at U15 and U18 Rep.

Following discussion, **UPON MOTION** duly made and carried, **IT WAS RESOLVED THAT** U15 and U18 Rep teams will be given permission to use name bars on a trial bases. Policy and procedure manual update required (**Leah/Donn**), jersey fee to following year if there is any damage or policy is not followed.

- Approval to increase U9 registration fee to equal U11 if they will have same number of games, same number of practices and be using SMHA jerseys
 - U9 will potentially transition to full ice games this year which will require an increased cost in official fees. This approval will be tabled until PCAHA has decided if U9 will be playing full ice games at which point we will consider increased registration fees next year.
- Approval for U11/13/15/18 Rep Apparel Policy.

Following discussion, **UPON MOTION** duly made and carried, **IT WAS RESOLVED THAT** - U13/15/18 Rep

players will be required to wear dress pants/skirt, dress shoes, collared shirt/blouse and Rep only winter jacket for all games. It will be mandatory for these players to have the Rep only winter jacket, pant shells and eagles branded warm up gear, top and bottom (t-shirt and/or hoody as well as shorts and/or sweatpants). The Bears fund will be used to purchase jackets for U15 and U18 previous Bears players. The team will be responsible to purchase practice jerseys.

U11 Rep players will be required to wear dress pants/skirt, dress shoes, collared shirt/blouse and Eagle branded jacket for all games (track jacket or Rep only winter jacket). Rep only winter jacket is optional for U11 Rep players. It will be mandatory for these players to have eagle branded warm up gear, top and bottom (t-shirt and/or hoody as well as shorts and/or sweatpants) and pant shells.

SMHA will purchase rep head coach jackets, managers are to buy this with practice jerseys, assistant coach jackets are optional and to be purchased with team funds.

1 time order only, ships to source, practice jersey is team cost

DISCUSSIONS

The Chair stated that the next item of business was the discussion topics noted in the agenda provided in Basecamp in advance of the meeting.

- Technical Director Report
 - Rep head coaches have been finalized. Just working on U18A1. U7 minor early season communication regarding game play. Increase development hours due to 2 extra rep teams. Motion to consider Meg or Nelson's proposals. Alignment on how all the teams run, long term culture around minor hockey and turning this into a minor hockey town both culturally and financially. Proposals will be handed over to our President for consideration.
- Ice schedule
 - Last 2 weeks of Aug. 1st week evenings ice available – to be used for camps and leftover returned to the district.
- Tournament permission process for 2024/2025 season
 - Ice scheduler needs to approve all tournaments before teams pay – Leah to clarify with Donn/Kat
- Additional updates to Policy and Procedure Manual so each division matches PCAHA (IE U7/U9 major and minor, not necessary U6 birth year in minor and U7 birth year in major; U11 and U13 team size, etc.)
 - Look at changes for Aug 21 meeting.
- U18 – Whistler, Bears, Oversized Rosters
- Tryout final budget
 - VP of Rep has discussed with Treasurer.
- Banner placement
 - Will go on wall behind the bleachers, can't go behind score clock due to keeping that walk way clear. Last year's banners have been given to Brennan Park.
- Coaching for all Abilities or Canucks Autism Network
 - We discussed previously that we would offer our coaches more training in this area. Anna will chat with Jordon offline to do as coaching seminar
- Coach Interviews

- 2 new house coaches that require interview and 2 more Rep coaches that require an interview.

OTHER BUSINESS

The Chair asked if there was any further business anyone would like to discuss; there was none.

Following discussion, the next meeting of the Board was set for Wednesday, August 21st at 6:00 PM (Pacific).

CONCLUSION OF MEETING

There being no further business, the meeting was concluded at 8:22 PM (Pacific).

LEAH HODGES

Chair of the Meeting

DONN OBERG

Secretary of the Meeting