

## IMHA Board of Directors Meeting

Thursday, September 8, 2022

**MINUTES – Approved October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022**



Present: Mike Harding, Kendra Bloomfield, Brooke Ross, Paul Walkom, Mark Read, Scott Parker, Jeff Reid, Andrew Ward, Kerri Dixon, Randy Sheaves, Chris Dixon, Bill Stevenson,

Via facetime: Andy Marshall,

Regrets: Jeff Sutherland

1. JR made a **motion to begin** the meeting. 2<sup>nd</sup> by RS. Carried
2. MH made an amendment to the agenda, adding in suggested team numbers.
3. **Marty: Head Trainer**
  - **PRIVIT** had some issues that have been address and the app. is up and running now. 300 people have already registered – we must stay on top of parents to register, so please keep reminding them.
  - **Trainers Meeting** will be held October 13<sup>th</sup> at 6pm-8pm. Location TBD.
    - ACTION: Board Member will book a venue for the Trainers meeting.
  - **Return to Play for non-concussion injuries**
    - Marty gets lots of messages from trainers and coaches about the process for returning to play after a player has been injured. A protocol can be used as a guideline to help support trainers in this situation.
    - Marty will create a guide and it will be re-evaluated through the years, as needed.

ACTION: Marty will re-draft the protocol for non-concussion return to play.
4. KB made a motion to **approve the minutes** from the August 15<sup>th</sup> IMHA Board meeting. 2<sup>nd</sup> by SP. Carried.
5. RS made a motion to approve the following **cheques for processing:**
  - MMC                      \$1328.88 (Ice Rental)
  - UrbGal                    \$ 515.16 (Beer Tent Insurance)
  - Pete's                    \$2542.50 (Practice Jerseys)

Motion was 2nd by MR. Carried.

### 6. **Coach's Binder**

Kendra and Kerri distributed a coach's binder for review.

- Items to add: the game sheet app and RAMP information pages and information about association awards. The binders will be distributed once these items are added.

### 7. **Development Skate and Tryout Updates**

KB: 20 development sessions are full, and others are almost at the max registration. There were not enough U15, U18 girls to fill each session therefore it was moved to one session 9-10. The 10-11 timeslot can be used for preseason skate.

MH it is a great opportunity for our players to offer these development skates. We need to consider how much administration work it takes for these skates and how much extra support is needed at the arena. We should try to use already named REP coaches to help support the instructors. The board will review these factors moving forward when planning development skate opportunities.

KB: Players must register before going on the ice for tryouts. If a player is not registered with IMHA they are not able to attend pre-season skates.

#### **8. Ilderton Fair Beer tent**

- KD: PC and herself have met with the fair board and tent rental company to confirm placement for the tent.
- Tent is open 5pm-11pm Friday and Saturday of the fair.
- Volunteers can sign up and will be allocated a time slot. This sign up will be on the Jets website.
- One board member must be present at all times when the tent is running for liability and insurance. They can help answer questions and navigate conflict if it arises.
- We had to get our own insurant – 5 million dollar policy, liquor license is ordered.
- All items have been ordered.
- If you are handling alcohol, you must have your smart serve.
- We will also have volunteer sign up for other events planned throughout the hockey seasons so members can see which days and times they are able to volunteer.

#### **9. UWO Men's Exhibition Game: September 16<sup>th</sup>**

MR: Ice is booked. We can run a concession stand if we bring our own items to sell. There will be no liquor sales because it is too much of a cost that may not be made back at this game. ACTION: Reach out to UWO Men's team about what is needed at the arena for each team.

#### **10. IMHA hosting Parkhill Stars Jr C vs Aylmer Sat. Nov. 19<sup>th</sup>, Ilderton Arena**

PC: Last year had 350 people attend and many IMHA teams were away for tournaments. The Parkhill Stars have former Ilderton Jet's players on their team. These players will be recognized during the game. We will need timekeepers for the events and plan to have chuck a puck, and sell merchandise, food and candy.

-6:30 warm up, 7 pm puck drop

#### **11. U8/U9 boys team structure**

MH: There has been many back and forth decisions with OMHA and no clear answer has been given.

BS: OMHA is deferring the decision to the association. IMHA can run an U8 team but not many organization are running a league so there would be limited teams to play against.

- Many organizations are moving forward with blending U8/U9 boys.

MR made a motion to blend U8/U9 boys for the 2022-2023 season. 2<sup>nd</sup> by AW. Carried.

4 U8/U9 Teams: 2 MD Teams (B and C), 2 LM balanced teams.

PW made a motion to refund all U9 players their \$75 tryout fee and all will be invited to attend the evaluation skates. If a player does not attend the evaluation skates, they will be placed on the Local League teams. 2<sup>nd</sup> by AW. Carried.

-Both U8 and U9 players are invited to the evaluation skates.

#### **12. Suggested REP Team Sizes**

Board discussed suggested REP team sizes based on current registrations numbers. These are recommended numbers and coaches can come to the board for approval of a new number.

U11 Boys: 52 skaters and 4 goalies – Board recommends minimum of 13 skaters.

U13 Boys: 47 skaters and 5 goalies – Board recommends 15 skaters.

U15 Boys: 45 skaters and 5 goalies (38 trying out) – Board recommends 15 skaters.

U18 Boys: 45 skaters and 5 goalies – Board recommends a minimum of 15 skaters.

U11 Girls: 29 total registrations, 3 goalies (22 trying out) – Board recommends 13 skaters.

ACTION: SP will email U11 girl's registrations to encourage more players to try out so we can make a second REP team.

### 13. Round Table

- AW: Coaches can choose how they want to evaluate players. Some like to be on the ice and others like to watch off the ice. If coaches want to sit and evaluate skaters, they must have someone lead the tryout that does not have a conflict of interest with the team. MH: There are many Ilderton community members with valuable hockey experience who are willing to support the organization. There are also U18 players who would be willing to help run drills but must be a minimum of 2 years older than players.
- RS: coaches have had inquiries about how to rent additional ice. If coaches want to rent ice that is not in our IMHA contract, then the ice rental can be placed under our insurance. But, coaches must send an email to Randy and Mike to approve the ice rental, and money must be transferred to be approved. This can only happen with ice rented within our Municipality.
- PC: As a way to identify board members and advertise for IMHA, all board members should have an identifiable shirt. Pete's sports shirt costs: \$55 plus tax. RS: Asked the board to consider that this is a large un-budgeted cost that has little to no benefit in the development of our players. Discussion took place.

PC made a motion to purchase polo shirts with JETS logo that board members can wear to IMHA activities, purchased with IMHA funds. 2<sup>nd</sup> by PC. Carried.

- PW: Any current rostered coach will have to have their D1 certification completed by Christmas. We must certify for next year coaches as well. There will be an information night with further information. MH: We will get the information out and support coaches to get them certified.
- SP: WOGHA president coaching recommendation is D1 for head coach and assistant coach should have C1 or C2.
- SP: Coaches have been asking about iPads with the RAMP game sheets app at the Komoka Arena. RS: 2 iPads are airmarked to go to Komoka but have not been needed there. RAMP and Game Sheet could not be ran at the same time.
- SP: The banner for the U11 girls OWHA provincial banner needs to get up in the arena. ACTION: AW will contact the arena about getting this banner hung in the arena.
- CD: The Shooter Tutor targets are being repaired and he is stilling looking for a way to purchase the goalie training equipment that was approved.

14. Next Meeting is TBD.

15. PW made a motion to **adjourn the meeting**. 2<sup>nd</sup> by RS. Carried.

### Online Communications

CD: IMHA is one of 70 associations in OMHA that will receive a brand-new set of CCM goalie equipment from their application to the OMHA Goalie Assist program.

### Motions Approved Online

September 20th, 2022

- RS made a motion to approve the following **cheques for processing**:

- MMC \$2,034.00 (Office Rental)
- Registration Refund \$766.90 (Registration Refund, Less Fee's)
- Registration Refund \$853.15 (Registration Refund, Less Fee's)
- Registration Refund \$346.15 (Registration Refund, Less Fee's)

Motion was 2nd by SP. Carried.

- JR: Coaching Committee support the following motions put forward to the board.
  - JR made a motion for the U9 C Girls team to approve 14 players and appoint Mike Tombrowicz as head coach. 2<sup>nd</sup> by TC. Carried.
  - JR made a motion for the U9HL Girls team to approve 14 players and appoint Adam Nemeth as the head coach. 2<sup>nd</sup> by TC. Carried.
  - JR made a motion to appoint Ryan Fish as the Girls U11 C head coach. 2<sup>nd</sup> by AM. Carried.
- SP: One, possibly 2, players from outside IMHA organization have received releases from their home competitive team and would like to try out for the U11 Girls C team on a permission to skate. IMHA U11 currently have 25 skaters and 3 goalies for the U11 Girls C and U11 Girls HL teams. This would allow for 13 and 14 skaters on each team.
- SP made a motion to allow these two girls to tryout with no guarantee of making the C team. 2<sup>nd</sup> by JS. Carried.

#### September 22nd, 2022

- RS made a motion to approve the following **cheques for processing**:
  - Registration Refund \$2,070.00 (Registration Refund)
  - Bloomers Family Farms \$633.18 (BBQ Meat)

Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by TC. Carried.