**IMHA In Person Meeting: August 15th, 2024**

**Bloomer’s Family Farm**

**11554 Ivan Drive, Ilderton, ON**

Present: Lindsay Ward Christine Schaffner Shannon Vanderydt Paul Walkom Andy Marshall Kendra Bloomfield Mike Lambert Blake Pronk Jordan Galbraith Nick Cake Andrew Ward

**Motion to start: KB 2nd PW, Carried**

**Agenda Items:**

1. Approve meeting minutes: **Motion to Approve** **KB, 2nd SV, Carried**
2. VOTE on the # of teams for each division/team’s size/division

**Team Sizes**

**U9 Boys**- 51 skaters- 1 MD, 3 HL (12-13-13-13) **Motion PW, AW 2nd, Carried**

**U11 Boys**- 45 skaters (5 goalies, 2 boys who have not registered)- 1 MD, 1 AE, 2 HL (11-12-11-11) **Motion PW, BP 2nd, Carried**

**U13 Boys**- 38 skaters 4 goalies- 1 MD, 2 HL (12-13-13)

PW-shouldn’t do an AE…we want teams to play where they fit

AM what if there was a MD, a select HL and a HL team?

**Motion NC 1MD, 2HL, with the select option PW 2nd, Carried**

**U15 Boys**- 30 skaters, 3 goalies- 1 Rep, 1 HL (15-15) **Motion NC, JG 2nd, Carried**

**U18 Boys**- 51 skaters- 1 Rep, 1 AE, and 1 HL. (17-17-17) **Motion KB, 2nd Aw, Carried**

1. VOTE on team size & goalies per team (above)
2. VOTE on having Tier 2 teams per boy’s division (above)
3. Sign up for Boys Tryouts Selection Committee (Schedule to be sent out for board member to volunteer)
4. Sign up to volunteer for the following events:
   * Ilderton Fair Beer Tent
     + Thurs night Set up.
     + Friday set up.
     + Friday Night
     + Saturday Afternoon
     + Saturday Night /Sunday Morning Clean up.
       - Picture Day
       - Hockey Day in Ilderton

Above items have been added to next steps. Sign up sheets are circulating amongst the board to sign up over the next few weeks.

1. **Registrar Update**

KB -3rd child discount (anyone with boys and girls have not received their discount)

Families to be refunded for their discount for 19 family’s.

**KB Motion, 2nd JG, Carried**

Refunds that require approval (most registered in OMHA by mistake) or left for other teams.

**KB Motion, 2nd PW, Carried**

1. **Registration Update**

Total Registrants 468

U18 (51 skaters, 4 goalies) boy numbers are fluctuating.

New-U18 Mount Brydges, St. Mary’s have a BB team with no body checking (notify parents).

Socks-New option to order socks with registration but not everyone ordered.

Powerskating registration-not all have filled up…U18 have a lot of spots.

Goalie sessions are good…girl sessions are filling up more consistently.

Boys checking clinic -17 registered, possible 3 more non IMHA

Girls checking clinic-Notify Lucan U13 parents. We currently have 13 registered @ $17.50.

1. **Fundraising Update**
   * Cash Calendars update
   * Sponsorship update

Fundraising plaques-32 plaques to hand out to previous sponsors. 2 tiers of sponsorship- $400 and $800. Previous sponsors will be asked again. Ilderton Dental 3-year sponsorship ($1500 first year, $750 second year, $750 3rd year).

Looking for entertainment for Saturday beer tent-live music

Picture day October 2nd

Hockey Day in Ilderton and Junior C game (coaches’ game) …merging into one. Food trucks instead of pizza etc. Day is January 18th, 2024. Email coaches to let them know about this date.

1. **Ice Schedule Update**
   * Finding volunteers to run the PRE-TRYOUT skates.  Selected Coach’s cannot run the Pre-tryout skates for their age group.
2. **Shamrock Update**

Nothing to update.

1. **Lambton-Middlesex Update**

LML every time there is a game, you need a travel permit.

1. **OWHA Update**

Emailing and ensuring all the coaches are registering on RAMP.

17 coaches have registered out of 47.

Sent instructions for Vulnerable Sector Checks, Privit, Rowan’s Laws.

Determining level for girls, need to book exhibition games to help determine.

\*\*\*U18-If girls are going to U18BB, next team needs to be U18B, U18C (Christine is going to find out more on this).

1. **OMHA Update** (JG) Email from JG regarding OMHA, NRP clarifications, goalie player assist program, pathway includes off ice activities, insurance fees will go up.
2. **OMHA Report** (RR to be absent, AM to address)

For teams to be selected in the fall, all players must be offered 4 pre-skates prior to evaluations. This should not be conducted by the rep or MD coach and age groups can be combined for these.

Rep Evaluations are offered in 7-day blocks. These cannot be extended. All players must be offered a minimum of 3 skates before being released. Once a team has its final roster, a 14-day development period is mandatory before league play can begin.

VSC are no longer done by the associations, the coach/trainer/manager etc. are required to apply through the OHF. There was a center mailing in March explain this. Once bench staff are appointed, they should make their VSC application, as there could be some backlog.

All teams will be required to have an approved roster before league play starts. An approved roster means you need a minimum of fully qualified Head Coach and a Trainer as well as 11 approved players. Pending players can still participate in league but won’t be able to participate in any tournament until approved. When your registrars submit player profiles for address verifications etc. to the OMHA office please ensure the required document (ex. current drivers’ license or current utility bill) is downloaded to the profile in its entirety. Also submit smaller lists (less than 10) if you want them done it a timely manner.

The OMHA president is interested in creating regional local league championship weekends at the end of season. This would involve bring together local league champions from various geographic leagues.

1. **Coaching Update**

U13 Tier 3 coach from Lucan (nonparent). Hope to have an update next week (girls).

Boys-SV to reach out to the coaches to confirm their interest. If they are a head coach for a girl’s teams, they cannot be a head coach for a boy’s team.

Vulnerable Sector checks now good for 3 years

Need to have contingent plan for AE coach for U11, U18…board runs the try out for U11 and U18 for the 2 AE teams.

AM has a list of non member parents to evaluate and run tryouts.

1. **A Centre Reorganization Update**

VOTE on IMHA loaning $10k for start-up costs. Lucan & Parkhill will also be loaning $10k each. ($30k total)

* + - Interest free loan that will be paid back by the A Centre after they collect Registration $$$

**Motion** to lend $10, 000 to Ausable Valley written agreement with payback date Dec 1, 2025.

**NC motion to lend; contingent on a signed agreement, AW 2nd, carried.**

1. **U18 Girls**

Tier 2 team wants another player because one of them quit. (CS)

What can be done…is there an opportunity to try to recruit for the U18 girls. Can’t recruit because there was a tryout.

1. Girl quit Tier 2 team coach is wondering if he can pull a player from Tier 3

No-If information changes before now and next meeting we can discuss

1. Can JG recruit for the Tier 3 team. JG would like one more to make 14.

Min roster is 9 for OWHA. SV would like to help find more players for the U18 girl teams. JG can add players to the bottom tier team only.

1. **Vulnerable Sector/Police Checks/Declarations**

Need to be completed ASAP.

The process is different this year as we need to submit through the OHF Portal. All Coaches, Bench Staff, Trainers, Managers, Volunteers and Executives must have their information uploaded through the OHF Portal. Head Coaches should be completed prior to tryouts.

1. **Owen Kipp Exceptional Status (Email from parent)**

(U7 age child) to try out for U9 team. IMHA states he must be the top 3 skater. At U9 kids are still developing. He is a goalie and at this age group there is no designated goalie.

1. **Ausable Valley Hockey Association (Name and mascot)**

IMHA needs to provide 3 mascot name suggestions to be voted on at a Board meeting in late September. The idea is to ask the membership for any suggestions for names. Our board will pick the best 3 and present them to Ausable Valley Hockey Association board to vote.  Lucan & North Middlesex will be doing the same thing, at the same time. The window of time to submit suggestions will be Tuesday Sept. 3 closing Friday, Sept. 13, 2024

1. **Updating the Website from the motions that were passed at the AGM**

Brooke sent to KB, and this was completed.

1. **Updating our ONCA Incorporation to reflect the new laws.**

Need to talk to Todd Copeland about the new laws.

1. **Non IMHA players ability to attend IMHA checking clinic**

Body checking clinic-U13 player wants to register to AP needs the clinic if there is room to join. An even number is better. We currently have 17 from IMHA with 2 more from Lucan.

**Motion PW: Allow non IMHA to join the body checking clinic if room 2nd AW, Carried**

1. **A team Ausable River**-we will only have local hockey for boys next year, no Shamrock, we will have no boy’s rep team, just local teams. Last year for boy’s tryouts.

1. **Development update**

Preseason skates, Charlie Moir is unavailable for a few dates, trying to find a few people, contacting TPH to see if they have anyone available.

Need volunteers to run pre skates. It cannot be the coach of a team for that age group.

1. **U5, U6, U7 update**

24 for U5…lots of girls, boys seem low.

U7 lots of new to Ilderton and new to hockey registrations…second tier of U7 for new kids. We had U7 and U6’s separated. We are going to tier them this year.

U7 girls-moving up possibly to U9…. creating a new U9 girls’ teams…currently we have 15 girls and goalie for U9…if we wanted to create a 2nd U9 team we would have to move them all up (U7) …12 per team is ideal…all these 10 families have to agree to it

1. **Ref update**

5 tryout games, exhibition games add an extra ref (AW)

**Round Table**

Shamrock nothing to update.

CS-to send bench staff-send list to be approved.

NC-Banners-new banners can’t be ordered until teams are made.

**Invoices to be approved.**

1. $722.27 reimburse to NC for Plaques
2. $2486.00 Pete Sports socks
3. Strathroy municipality $4875 prepaid

**Motion ML, 2nd PW, Carried**

**Motion to Close-NC, PW 2nd Carried**