

6:00 - WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13, 2024 – MINUTES

IN ATTENDANCE: Steve Smith, Quintin Laing, Dylan Michie, Derek Lang, Rob Mutch, Derek Lang, Rob Starke, Sara Cubberly, Aiden Nix

1.0 CALL MEETING TO ORDER: 6:03 pm.

2.0 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM APRIL 15, 2024: Approved (RM, DL).

3.0 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES.

4.0 ROLLING ACTION ITEMS.

5.0 PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Put forth the idea of a donation from KMHA towards the Stewart family. (not proceeding at this time). There is a GoFundMe set up for the family (a lot of the hockey community has supported there). Kendra extends a big thank you for the gift card from the Board. She is very appreciative of the support. She is currently working in the hospital. Wendy is coming in to help with tryouts. OMAHA sending out a representative as well.

**Q.** Have you sent out an email reminding members of tryout rules (pant shells, helmets, stickers, rep socks, etc.)? Who is going to pull these kids off the ice if they haven't removed such?

**A.** Instruct the on-ice instructors that they are to pull kids off. If any Board Members are in the arena, they must also instruct the kids to come off and pull off the items. Steve will send an email to Association.

6.0 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Contingency plan for Kendra – all is fine.

Summer camp registration – highest registrations yet. One issue to be addressed for next year (people calling to withdraw from camp on short notice) - what to do regarding refunds or not. When we started, we had three camps, and now have 22. Revenue covers skills instructors.

Female bring a friend day – 42 girls signed up. Not certain how many are KMHA registrants. Low on female coach end of it. Would be great to find a few more females interested in coaching.

Registration update – when we get the releases from AAA/AA and add in the T1s, we will already have more kids registered this year than last year (about 20). U9 added an extra practice time (Friday nights). Added two more teams. Things will get tricky in the second half of the year (full ice and morning practices). U7 is full. Have about 12 four-year-olds that have expressed interest – in January, we could take one of the West Kel times and start a four-year-old program. One ice time per week. 30-minute basic skills, and 30-minute game. Cannot do in first half of the season (based on ice availability). Will make a tentative plan for this and figure out logistics/cost.

U15 integrated numbers are low. Will most likely end up with two U18 female rec teams. U13 integrated is going to be full with eight teams. One goalie per team (some teams may have two) - 15 skaters. Four goalies trying out for U18 female A. U13/15 goalies are an issue.

City got back and neither adult group is willing to move back half an hour. We could fill this! Makes it difficult for parents to get to the rink for 3:15 practice. Our practice plan has been looked over many times. U9 Dev going to have one 6:15 am practice time this year. Playoff time is going to be tricky (figure skating, Briar, Chiefs). Tried to look ahead to see if things can be tweaked. Will have lots of clinic time (not every week). Demand for ice is huge.

U15AAA tournament sponsor (Warrior). Money that we are spending, the swag is a lot cooler (3 on 3 game winners get sticks, player of the game). The tournament is filled and has a waiting list. Need to promote the games to the Association and get kids out to watch.

November 15 (full ice play) – first offense \$1000 fine to the Association and Coach is suspended, second offense \$1500 to Association and Coach is suspended longer, third offence they will shut the team down. Must ensure that our Coaches are well-educated. Will meet with the U7 group first, and then the U9 group. Parent meetings will have this laid out.

#### 7.0 DIRECTOR OF HOCKEY DEVELOPMENT'S REPORT.

Summer camps started last week. Q ran three of them. Max size was 20 skaters. Currently into second week of camps. Everything running really well. Numbers are up from last year. Next week is full day camps (also maxed out).

Rep Coaches will be announced on social media. Has all of them in mind. Reviewed candidates.

Tryouts starting this weekend. Attendance at tryouts – player trying out but missing first three skates. Can they be evaluated at the non-evaluated skates? The evaluated skates are mandatory, so this request would have to be declined.

Q. What is the plan to respond to parents who question tryouts/outcomes? A. We will not respond to anything within 24 hours. As per our policies, requests for feedback do not have to be fulfilled. Anything sent in 24 hours or sent in anonymously, will be deleted. Reminders to refer to our policies as to tryouts work.

#### 8.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS.

#### 9.0 NEW BUSINESS.

#### 10.0 IN-CAMERA SESSION.

#### 11.0 SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING – September 17, 2024 – 6:00 pm.

#### 12.0 MEETING ADJOURNED – 9:25 pm.