

SOMHA Executive Meeting Agenda
November 30, 2016 @ 7:30pm
Osoyoos Sunbowl Arena Boardroom

Members Present: Jason, Mark, Mark P, Chris, Gary, Amy, Brianne, Len, Shawn, Derek, Dean, Angela, Nina

Regrets: Boyd

Meeting Called to Order: 7:34pm

Mark and Chris motion to adopt the Agenda for November 30, 2016. Carried

Derek and Shawn motion to adopt the Minutes from the Meeting on November 14, 2016. Carried

This will be a shortened extra meeting so please only report necessary items to move things along.

A) New Business:

• **Atom/Novice/BC Hockey**

Background: The intent of the AP program is for the benefit of the higher team. So SOMHA has always left it up to the coach's discretion.

BC Hockey then made Novice players as ineligible to play at the Atom level. So people were very upset. Our president and OMAHA president have made a plea to fight for our AP players. They also had to make a case that 2 of our Atom Dev players considered ineligible and they won and have earned their spot to continue with their Atom Dev.

As far as the Novice and Atom Rec we need to decide as a board what we are going to do. We have 4 options on the table:

1. AP players can just play their 10 games and tournaments
2. Move all AP players to Roster in Atom
3. No movement
4. Have some kids roster and AP some

Board has made a decision to move some players to keep the numbers up in Atom Rec. The board has talked and feel that our numbers for Atom rec for are low and 2 AP players have asked to be rostered early in the season and we will request to BC Hockey to do so and keep the other 5 AP players as AP player if BC Hockey allows them to do that.

- **Zone Teams**

There is a 30 page document coming from OMAHA about zoning. They are looking at reviewing and then implementing early to make sure it all works.

- **Christmas Party**

Board/Volunteer Christmas party hosted by the Bartsch's. Welcome to bring an appy's only.

- **Governance Review**

We have the opportunity to have our governance reviewed by lawyers for free

1) Finances / Grant

Still using grant money for our ice.

John Seminoff is doing an amazing job getting local refs.

We are looking for sponsorship for signs to put on our half ice boards.

2) Tournament Coordinator Report

- In the middle of a 4 Tournaments in 4 week stretch. Thasha did a great job with the PW Rep Tournament, congratulations! Jason has been updating results on Twitter and I have been keeping track of scores and standings on SOMHA.com On Deck is Midget House this weekend and Midget Rep Dec. 9-11th.

3) Registrars Report – If there are changes

Pre-Novice 28

Novice 38

Atom House 25

Atom Dev 17

Peewee Rec 19

Peewee Rep 16

Bantam Rec 13

Bantam Rep 15

Midget Rec 12

Midget Rep 18

201 Total

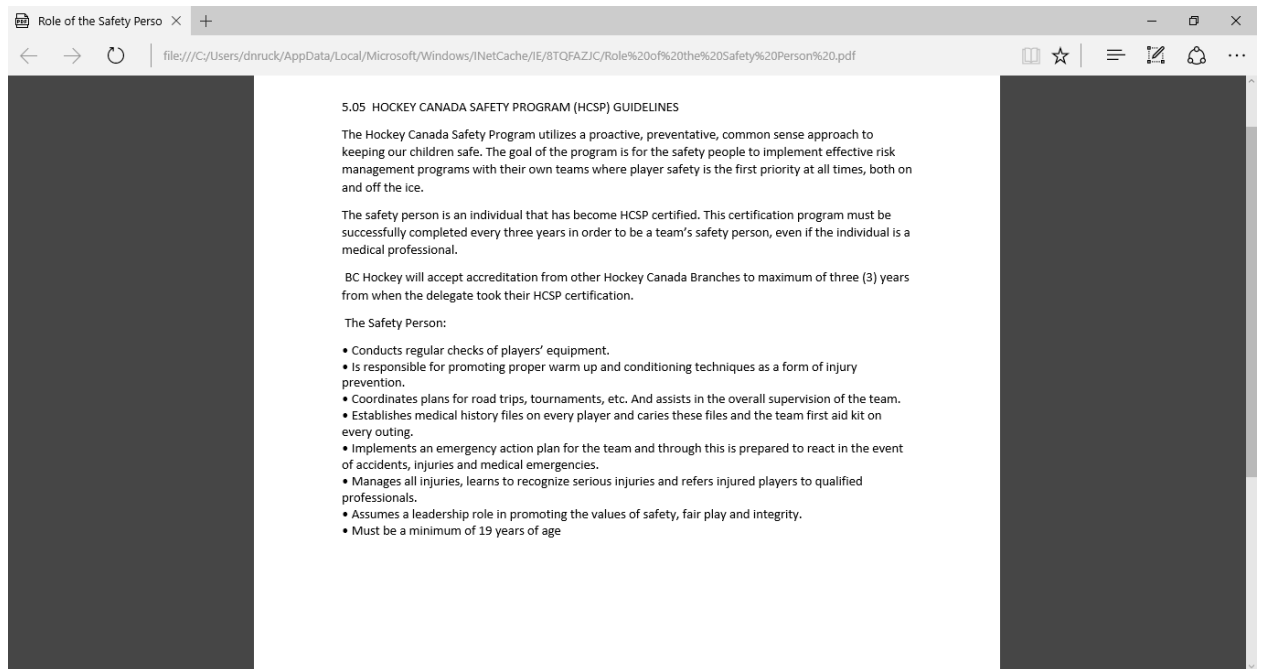
- No changes other than the Atom/Novice eligibility.
- If you have individuals that are rostered to Recreational teams, who want to get the Coach 2 qualification, there are two (2) upcoming Coach 2 clinics.

Kelowna - Dec 3rd

Kamloops - Dec 11th

Both clinics still have room.

- OMAHA also wants to know if there are any individuals working with rep team who would be interested in taking the Dev. 1 course. They are hoping to put on a clinic in Kelowna in December if there is enough interest. We need responses ASAP.
- We were verbally informed yesterday on a webinar that Safety People are NOT permitted on the Bench in any game situation. If they hold the position of Coach or Manager plus Safety Person (HC/SP, AC/SP & Mgr/SP), they will be permitted to go on the Bench. However, Managers are permitted on the Bench. Please advise all your Carded/Rep and Recreational teams of this change. If you have any questions, please contact BC Hockey.



4) Ice Ambassador

- Pee wee Rec lost their practice in Osoyoos on November 16th.
- Pee wee Rep tournament was held November 18th – 20th.
- Pee wee Rec tournament was held November 25th – 27th.

5) Initiation Director

- Reached out to coaches and managers to introduce myself to them. Getting myself up to speed on the issues facing this group, and looking forward to our meeting Wednesday to get an update on the latest mandate from BC Hockey. I attended one practice and was very impressed. On Wednesdays they all practice together, there was at least

8 stations, and about 40 kids on the ice. They were all moving, they all had a puck and couldn't tell if the coaches or players were having more fun.

Novice Coaches

- I was also able to speak with all Novice Coaches personally, discussed the season, balancing, AP's, half ice. Generally they all had reservations heading into the season but feel there is a benefit to a shortened ice surface. I took away a few things from our conversations.
 - We should be supplying our Novice teams with 2 sets of goalie gear in case they have to play two games at once.
 - While our boards are great there has been issues with other associations' boards. Penticton has to retrieve them from another location making them not practical, in Trail they were soft so one side you can fire the puck along the boards the other side you cannot. Just to name a couple of examples.
 - Awkwardness when two teams have to share the same bench. Coaches telling opposing teams they can't do slap shots, complaining when a game gets away on them.
 - All the coaches like the team's they have, did not receive any concerns from them on how they were divided.
 - AP's - I think they all support the best interests of those Players.
 - AP's - There does not seem to be a clear understanding from the Coaches regarding their AP's to the Atom House teams. We need to make it clear. (if it is even an option after tonight)
- Player Movement
Samara Gabriel has been invited to practice and scrimmage with the Penticton Girls Team.

6) Atom Director

Already discussed.

7) PeeWee Director

8) Bantam Director

9) Midget Director

- The Midget House team had to forfeit a game on the weekend due to numbers
- We had two notifications of Game Misconduct penalties since the last meeting. One was for the House team and one for the Rep team. Letters were sent to OMAHA to acknowledge receipt and step that would be taken to rectify player conduct. Head Coaches were notified and have had discussions with both players.

- The Midget Rep Home Tourney is scheduled for Dec 9-11.

10) Programs / Sponsorship

- At this point we believe that we have received all payments from both jersey and program sponsors. Hopefully this can be confirmed at the meeting
- If someone could have a mailbox key for me at the meeting, that would be great
- The Midget Rep jerseys are going to Kara Burton Tuesday night so that the sponsor bars can be put on the new ones

11) Equipment Director

12) Player Development

Still in contacting with Reub and PEP.
Looking at doing power skating.

13) Coach Coordinator

We had coaches come out for a free clinic with coaches to teach power skating to their players.

Also, willing to run some stick handling clinics for players and doing another coach's power skating clinic for coaches.

Coaches are all checked and certified.

14) Business Arising from Last Meeting:

- **Slack Communication**
- **Keys**

Correspondence:

- **Pre-Novice girls request (in New Business)**

Girls are welcome to AP to many, there are exceptions to try and build girls hockey. We will sign the waiver and she will AP with the Female Penticton Girls Team.

Next Meeting Date:

December 14 in Osoyoos at 7pm

Motion to adjourn the meeting: 9:04

Meeting adjourned at: