

**SOMHA Executive Meeting Agenda** May  
9th, 2017 @ 7:00pm  
Sonora Centre Boardroom #2

Members Present: Steve, Boyd, Gary, Chris P., Brianne, Lynne, Nina, Phil,  
Ryan,  
Victor, Pat, James, Brian, Chris H., Mark  
Regrets: Jason Bartsch  
Meeting Called to Order: 7:05 pm

**Brianne & Gary motion to adopt the Agenda for May 9, 2017  
Carried**

**Gary & Victor motion to adopt the Minutes from the Meeting March  
14, 2017  
Carried**

**1) Business Arising from Last Meeting:**

Discussion about team composition, need for balancing games when multiple teams in same division.

**2) New Business:**

Appointing / Positions for the 2017-2018 Executive Board

- President – Steve Robinson
- 1st Vice President – Boyd Turnbull
- 2nd Vice President – Gary Burton
- Secretary – Mark Antonello
- Treasurer – Chris Parker
- Ice Ambassador – Brianne Hillson
- Registrar – Mark Antonello
- Referee in Chief (Referee Allocator) – John Seminoff
- Equipment Director – Phil Launier
- Risk Management – Victor Costa
- Female Director – Boyd Turnbull/Ryan Miller
- Pre-novice/Novice Director – Brian Dragseth
- Atom Director – James Murphy/Ryan Miller
- Pee Wee Director – Nina Ruck
- Bantam Director – Chris Hansen
- Midget Director – Pat Noakes
- Trophies and Awards – Pat Noakes
- Sponsors and Programs – Len McLean
- Tournament Director – Lynne Aldridge
- Coach Coordinator – Ryan Miller

- Player Development – Ryan Miller
  - Website Administrator – Mark Antonello
- 3) **Discipline Committee (3):** Chair – 1<sup>st</sup> VP (Boyd), Victor Costa, James Murphy, Brian Dragseth
  - 4) **Governance Committee (4):** Chair – 2<sup>nd</sup> VP (Gary), Jason Bartsch, Nina Ruck, Brianne Hillson, Mark Antonello
  - 5) **Finance Committee (3):** Chair – Treasurer (Chris P), Chris Hanson, Lynne Aldridge
  - 6) **Signing Authority for 2017-2018:**  
**2017-01 Brianne & Gary motion to have Steve Robinson, Chris Parker, Mark Antonello & Nina Ruck as signing authority for 2017-2018. Carried**
  - 7) **OMAHA AGM:**  
 May 27-28 @ Village Green Hotel in Vernon  
 Steve Robinson, Boyd Turnbull, Gary Burton to attend
  - 8) **BC Hockey AGM:**  
 June 9-11th at Sun Peaks Grand Hotel  
<http://www.bchockey.net/Administration/AGM.aspx> Victor to go possibly
  - 9) **SOMHA Board Code of Conduct:**  
 Only one outstanding.
  - 10) **Referee Rate:**  
 Will seek input from RiC for rate change for Initiation and Atom
  - 11) **Registration Cost for 2017-2018:**  
 Looking at reducing the registration fee of the older divisions and increasing the carding fee for rep teams and add a fee to Atom Development players. Considering online payment only, with few exceptions.  
  
**2017-02 Brianne & Gary motion to leave early registration for Prenovice & Novice at \$200, Atom at \$315, reduce PeeWee to \$345 and reduce Bantam & Midget at \$375  
 Carried**  
  
**2017-03 Brianne & Pat motion to increase Rep carding fees \$150 for PeeWee, Bantam & Midget and add a \$100 fee to Atom Development players.**

**Carried**

**2017-04 Boyd & Chris P motion to accept online payment only. The only exception will be players seeking funding from Spirit of the Game, jumpstart, etc.**

**Carried**

**12) Arena Blackout Dates:**

Keeping tournament dates as is. Will try to add a Female tournament for 2017-2018 season.

[Oliver Dates](#)

[Osoyoos Dates](#)

**13) Equipment Purchase:**

Phil to come up with a list for required equipment and present next meeting.

**14) Atom Transition Plan Webinar:**

[Details on BC Hockey's plan here](#)

**Boyd's comments** - Overall not a very informative webinar. The gist of the webinar was a document for a minor hockey Association's to provide their coaches or head coach at the Adam level to facilitate the first three Practices and three exhibition games prior to the start of the season to transition layers into full ice hockey. I believe the efforts that we had last year working with the kids and having the full ice games with all three novice teams accomplished the same task that this document is designed to accomplish. The benefit of the way that we did our introduction is the training of the referees. Overall the document has merit in the sense that the document provides coaches with practice plans. However, the game portion I believe we've already done. I can report at the next Board meeting.

**2017-05 Boyd & Gary motion to have 2 ice sessions reserved for 1<sup>st</sup> year atom kids to have games prior to tryouts.**

**Carried**

**15) Zone meeting Update:**

Gary attended the meeting on April 19<sup>th</sup>.

The zone delivery group is basically the "Board" for the 4 OMAHA South Teams. They have been working together for several months, and I was the first person from SOMHA to attend one of their meetings. The upcoming season is year 2 of the 3 year pilot program. These guys are 100% committed to the Zone Team Program, and making it a success. Chuck Gallacher was also there.

**Here is what is happening.**

- Southern Zone will field a Tier 1 and a Tier 2 for Midget and Bantam.
- The ZD group is tweaking the team budget, over the next day two and Submitting to OMAHA's ZONE Program Committee (Chuck and BC Hockey)
- Once the Budget is finalized, in particular the Coaching compensation head Coaches will be Hired. Can be as soon as the end of next week.
- Chuck and the BC Hockey People will conduct the interviews and make the hires.
- The ZD group has the go ahead to book Ice now, paid for by BC Hockey

- The plan is to have an evaluation camp in May, Main Camps early August • There will be 3 exhibition games each team late August, first week September.
- The ZD group has the go ahead to Order Jerseys ect ect.
- The Zone Teams will not be based out of any association per se, they will go where the ice is.
- Associations can not hold back players.
- 3 More Districts will be fielding Zone Teams in the Province. Prince George, Yukon and one other.

#### **Discussions**

- The gist of the meeting was to begin action. The North, Central and South ZD groups have learned a lot this past season, and have been working hard to bring credibility and confidence into the Zone Program.
- They welcomed me, to the group and described their role, and want a representative from South Okanagan at the Table.
- We discussed our Situation, briefly. "The intent of the program is not to take away or hurt from anyone else's program" there was sympathy for how this will affect our program, but no solutions.
- Recognized the need to release the T3 players as soon as possible. Mid August.
- Chuck said that they do not want to cut back the Midget Team too quickly as there is a lot of dominoes to fall, as BCJHL, KIJHL, Major Midget finalize their rosters.

Still looking for SOMHA representative to participate with the Zone team committee meetings.

16) Coach Coordinator needs to create a Coach Selection Committee right away to bring forth recommendation to the SOMHA Board.

- June 1st - Rep Coach Application Deadline, Coach Selection Committee in place by June 15th, Rep Coaches will be selected by July 1st.
- Ryan Miller to Chair the coach selection committee • Recreation Coaches – accepting applications now as well.

#### **17) Slack Communication App**

Will set up and send to all board members to see how it goes.

#### **18) Correspondence:**

Email received about an outstanding Watermark invoice for room rental for AGM.

Chris P. to pay

#### **19) Reports:**

All directors send to secretary in advance of meetings. All reports will be compiled and distributed ahead of time to help reduce the amount of time needed during board meetings.

#### **20) Business Arising from last meeting:**

Do we further explore bringing back a paid coach coordinator/player development person?

**Motion to End Meeting: Brianne & Victor, Carried**

**Meeting adjourned at: 8:51 pm**

**Next Meeting Date: Monday June 19, 7pm Oliver**