

**SOMHA Executive Meeting Agenda**  
**August 21th, 2017 @ 6:30pm**  
**Oliver Community Center - Board Room #2**

**Members Present: Steve, Brianne, Ryan, Nina, Chris H., Brian, Chris P., Mark, Gary**

**Regrets: Boyd, Pat, James, Lynne, Jason, Phil**

**Meeting Called to Order: 6:46 pm**

**Brianne & Chris H. motion to adopt the Agenda for August 21<sup>th</sup>, 2017**  
**Carried**

**Nina & Chris P. motion to adopt the Minutes from the Meeting August 8, 2017**

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

**A. Coach selection committee recommendations:**

**Brianne and Brian motion to approve the Coach Selection Committee recommendation of John Seminoff as the Head Coach Bantam Rep**  
**Carried**

**Head Coach Midget Rep**  
**Still no candidate to recommend.**

**Recreation Coaches:**

**Nina and Chris P. motion to accept the recommendation for Will Verner as one of two Head coaches for Pre-Novice.**  
**Carried.**  
**Looking for second.**

**Brianne and Mark motion to accept the recommendation for Ryan Miller as Head coach for Novice.**  
**Carried.**

**Brian and Mark motion to accept the recommendation for Jason Bartsch as Head coach for Novice.**  
**Carried.**

**Brianne and Nina motion to accept the recommendation for Brian Dragseth and Darren Belanger as Head coaches for Atom Rec.**  
**Carried.**

**Head coach for PeeWee Rec. No candidate yet.**

**Nina and Gary motion to accept the recommendation for Pat Noakes as Head coach for Bantam Rec.**

**Carried.**

**Brianne and Chris H motion to accept the recommendation for Steve Robinson as Head coach for Midget Rec.**

**Carried.**

## **B. Player Development:**

### **Skills Development:**

**See the Power Edge brochure [here](#).**

PEP tabled for this season, look at running skills clinic in house for this season.

### **Goaltender Development:**

#### **Bradford's Goal Academy (BGA) - South Okanagan MHA Goaltender Development Programming**

In terms of approximate pricing for possible programming this hockey season, here are some preliminary numbers (prices BGA charges in Edmonton, AB and out-of-town):

1. Weekend (2-Day) Academy (\* for South Okanagan MHA) - \$2500.00 + GST (Discounted price as I work with several Osoyoos and area goaltenders - usually \$2850.00-3000.00 for other out-of-town MHAs).

Daily Schedule - 1.5 hours of ice X 2; 1 hour of dryland; 1 hour of goaltender classroom; 1-1.5 hours of Coaching Clinic on Day 1 (2 days)

2. Team Practice (\$90.00-\$100.00) - When I, or one of my instructors goes out for a team practice (e.g., Novice, Peewee AA, Bantam AAA), BGA charges \$125.00 and up. However, if we can arrange for some new BGA employees in South Okanagan MHA, we could look at Team Practices at about \$90.00/1 hour (I would develop the practice plans for the goaltender portion).

3. Weekly Programming - \$350.00-450.00/1-1.5 hours. In Edmonton, I usually set up 20 weeks equaling approximately \$6000.00 - 9000.00 per year. I think we could design an effective weekly program for goaltender development. With me not there, but working with the staff from afar, I'd be looking at somewhere around \$250.00-285.00/1-1.5 hours.

I look forward to the possibility of forming/training/educating a new BGA staff in the South Okanagan (if this interests the organization).

Overall, if we organized 2 Weekend Academies (e.g., early- and mid-season) along with a bi-weekly program for 8 weeks, we could look at somewhere

around \$7,000 (approx.). Remember, that would also include ongoing Coaching Mentorship for those who wish to take advantage.

**Brianne and Nina motion to accept the recommendation for Brent Bradford as Coach for Goaltender development.  
Carried.**

**Power Skating:**

Tyler Liebel has agreed to come out to do two power skating sessions with each team during the year. He charges between 80-100 per session. The cost to the association is as follows:

Pre Novice (teams practice together)	4 sessions	\$400
Novice (teams practice together)	4 sessions	\$400
Atom House (teams practice together)	4 sessions	\$400
Atom Development	4 sessions	\$400
PeeWee House	4 sessions	\$400
PeeWee Rep	4 sessions	\$400
Bantam House	4 sessions	\$400
Bantam Rep	4 sessions	\$400
Midget House	4 sessions	\$400
Midget Rep	4 sessions	\$400
Totals	40 Sessions	\$4000

He is also open to doing extra sessions if we decide to use the Friday ice as player development. We must be flexible in his scheduling but he will be able to provide us dates at the beginning of the season that agree with his work schedule. On behalf of the Player development committee, Boyd would like to recommend the board approves this expenditure on player development. This provides added value for every player in the association.

**Chris H and Nina motion to accept the recommendation for Tyler Liebel as Coach for Power skating development.  
Carried.**

### **C. Player evaluation committee:**

The South Okanagan Zone has indicated that the Zone coaching staff would be willing to help out with evaluation of our rep tryouts, we will need to get on it quickly though as West Kelowna, Penticton and Summerland may also be asking these coaches.

The names of the coaches:

Geoff Goodman - BT1 Head Coach

Wade Parker - BT2 Head Coach (Can do Goalies too)

Terry Rolston - South Zone Coordinator (Can do Goalies too)

Neil Eisenhut - MT1 Head Coach

Greg Fleming - MT1 Asst Coach

**Tabled until Coach Coordinator can speak to out of town guys again.**

### **D. Treasurer Report:**

Equipment closing in on budget number – spent \$5000 to date, approx. \$3000 for socks, we will only order new PeeWee Rep and Rec jerseys this year.

### **E. Registrar Report:**

- Total registrations to date:164
- Prenovice – Total: 21 Female: 6  
I have been contacted by 2 more that will be registering.
- Novice – Total: 21 Female: 2
- Atom – Total: 38 Goalies: 3 Female: 6 Try-out: 22 (3 goalies)  
The Atom Division is over capacity for 2 teams. We will have to make a decision on having 3 teams or requesting 2 over-sized teams.
- Pee Wee - Total: 34 Goalies: 4 Female: 4 Try-out: 23 (3 goalies)  
6 Princeton players trying out, 1 is a goalie.  
1 player wants to rotate between player and goal at rec.
- Bantam - Total: 29 Goalies: 4 Female: 3 Try-out: 14 (2 goalies)  
1 Grand Forks player trying out.  
3 Princeton players trying out, 1 is a goalie  
1 recently withdrew from hockey.  
2 kids have notified me they will be signing up and trying out, not in numbers.
- Midget - Total: 21 Goalies: 3 Female: 1 Try-out: 14 (2 goalies)  
2 players have notified me they will be signing up and trying out, not in numbers.

## 2) Director Reports

### F. Initiation Director Report:

Spoke to Ken Law about Coyotes participating with Lace Em up.  
Draft letter to go out soon for all novice and initiation kids.

### G. Atom Director Report:

Transitions ice session had a small group out, but it went well. The coaches are going to modify the practice plan for the next session in case of a small group again.

### H. Pee Wee Director Report:

Director spoke with the Rep Head Coach, he will run the conditioning camp. Asked about kids who can't make the tryouts, what are their options for being evaluated.

The Board's recommendation to the coach is both kids can be evaluated after the tryout dates, in practices and exhibition games.

### I. Bantam Director Report:

Nothing to report yet.

### J. Midget Director Report:

Midget Tier 3 Rep team - possible amalgamation with SMHA and PMHA

### Background

Steve Robinson and Pat Noakes attended a meeting with the Zone representatives, OMAHA representative and reps from Summerland Minor Hockey, Penticton Minor Hockey and West Kelowna Minor Hockey on Tuesday Aug. 15.

The meeting went over a number of topics, however the most pressing issue for SOMHA, PMHA, and SMHA was Tier 3 Midget Rep. Our numbers are low at Midget, but SMHA and PMHA are actually in worse shape, believe it or not. We have ten kids signed up for Midget Tier 3 tryouts (six trying out at Zone), SMHA currently has five and PMHA has gone from having two players to having only one. SMHA and SOMHA are in the position of deciding whether to have a Rep team and no Rec team as we don't have the numbers to support both, PMHA has decided that they will only offer Rec hockey at the Midget level.

In discussion, it was proposed that SOMHA, PMHA and SMHA could amalgamate our Midget Tier 3 programs to form one team (players from Boundary, Princeton, Grand Forks could be invited also). OMAHA has stated that there are no longer borders and we are allowed to explore this option. SMHA is confident that if this were to happen they would have more players sign up to tryout, thus boosting the number of players to choose from, hopefully making the team a more competitive team. West Kelowna has 52 players signed up to tryout for Tier 2 in their association and they have been told by OMAHA that they cannot be Tier 2 and must

be Tier 3, this would make them a very strong Tier 3 team, so being more competitive is important.

If we were to support this proposition and it were to take effect, it is not guaranteed that all of our players trying out would be selected to the team, this would likely boost our numbers at the Rec level and allow us to offer both levels of hockey to the Midget aged kids in our association. An amalgamated team would practice and play games in all three locations, thus freeing up some ice time in our association (the Zone teams have asked us if we can provide one ice slot per week for practice and this could be where we get the ice).

An amalgamated team would need a host association as the players trying out and eventually selected would need to request a transfer to the host association. Registration and carding fees would need to be collected by that association, these fees would need to be discussed between all parties considered and a portion of those fees would likely be sent back to the associations not hosting the team. I feel that we should host a team if this were to go ahead as we have the lowest registration fees, coupled with the highest number of players currently signed up to tryout for Midget Tier 3 Rep. We are also the first destination for players from Boundary, Grand Forks and Princeton and those players would likely be invited and also to make the team more competitive.

Pat met with Kara from PMHA and Cherish from SMHA August 17, there shouldn't be any problem with our association being the host team for a Midget Tier 3 team, Penticton has no objection to it and Summerland just wants a place for their kids to play. Both associations just want to have their ice time costs covered, as Penticton's ice is so much more expensive than ours and Summerland's we would likely only have one practice per month in Penticton. I think this is a great opportunity to provide both levels of hockey to the kids in our association and ice a more competitive team.

This is an issue that will need to be acted on quickly as a team will need to be declared soon.

We are open to Grand Forks, Penticton and Summerland kids trying out for our Tier 3 team. We will be declaring a Tier 3 team and are not interested in running it as a Zone team for this year as there is very little time to prepare.

**K. Equipment Director Report:**

Socks have arrived.

**L. Tournament Coordinator Report:**

No report.

**M. Sponsorship and Programs:**

Letter to members went out today asking for interest in being in the tournament programs.

**N. Ice Ambassador Report:**

Practice schedule to remain the same for 2017-2018.

Friday night at 6:15 – 7:30 in Oliver can be used for clinics or for teams who may lose practice.

Friday night at 6:30-7:30 and 7:45-9:00 in Osoyoos can be used for clinics or for teams who may lose practice.

**O. Declarations:**

Will wait until August 28-29<sup>th</sup> to finalize.

Propose - 2 Atom Recreation, 1 Atom Dev (B or C) final declaration to be made after preseason tournament.

1 Pee Wee Recreation, 1 Pee Wee Tier 2 or 3 Rep team

1 Bantam Recreation, 1 Bantam Tier 3 Rep team

1 Midget Recreation, 1 Midget Tier 3 Rep team

**2) New Business:**

**SOMHA Pictures:**

October 25 in Osoyoos. Schedule to follow once we know how many teams we will have.

**Coaches and Managers Meeting:**

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> Sunbowl Arena Mezzanine in Osoyoos at 7pm

**OMAHA Meeting**

Salmon Arm OMAHA September 16<sup>th</sup> Meeting: RiC, Registrar, Female Director, President, Association Head Coach must go.

Atom Development Evaluation Weekend

Salmon Arm September 15<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>.

**3) Correspondence:**

BC Hockey - Response to Ice size variance request for Prenovice and Novice. All variations proposed were denied with the exception of Prenovice in Oliver, it can go ahead as half ice.

**Motion to End Meeting: Brianne and Nina. Carried**

**Meeting adjourned at: 9:40 pm**

**Next Meeting Date: September 11, 2017 @ 6:30 pm Osoyoos**

**Arena Board room.**