

SOUTH OKANAGAN MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION (SOMHA)

Minutes

August 20th, 2024

6:30 pm Osoyoos (Boardroom Sunbowl)

PRESENT: Jason, Chris, Rickard, Sheelagh, Joel H, Scotty B, Stephanie, Katie K., Kary, Mark A., Morgan, Amanda, Nathan, Ryan Pyatt, Justin F., Jordan [Zoom]: Kathy, Crystal

called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Minutes of July 23, 2024 for adoption

Moved by: Joel H.

Seconded by: Scotty B.

That the minutes of July 23, 2024 be adopted.

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

That the agenda of August 20, 2024 be adopted.

CARRIED

BUSINESS

- Tournament Dates have now been approved, tournaments sanctioned by BC Hockey, website updated, Teamsnap reg links updated.
- Per Andrew (Town of Osoyoos) Oliver construction schedule for possible completion early November
- Oliver non-availability could complicate U18 Rep tournament (Nov 8-10). Since only 4 games for tourney played out of Oliver, not such a big deal. Might have to start earlier Friday and also begin the Sunday playoffs early (ie. 7am)
- Jackie – Photography update, printing has become more expensive, options were to hold price at 4" x 6" size or, for \$5 extra per player, keep the original 5" x 7" sizing. Kathy noted we budget \$23 / player for photography. Mark mentioned booking Jackie earlier is better as she is very busy with all other Associations. Mark mentioned a Wed. in Oct in Osoyoos. **Mark made motion to accept price increase. Motion passed.**
- OMAHA have requested that SOMHA host the U13 Rep (Tier 4) Provincials. Discussion around the table, hosting is a good idea.
- Summerland – did not declare a Representative (Rep) team at U13. Potential for 1-to-8, maybe, players to apply to play Rep hockey with SOMHA. Lots of back and forth discussion around the table, highlights include low numbers as-is within SOMHA @ U13 level ... 22 players, 2 residential waivers ... so Rep numbers and Rec number both low. Adding (possible) players from Summerland might help prop up Rep numbers (if they make the team). Since also hosting U13 Rep Provincials,

would be good to have a competitive team (as Host Team). Motion to accept Summerland players to try-out for SOMHA Rep team. Motion passed.

- OMAHA request for evaluators Zone tryouts. Justin Fortin offered, turned down by Dave Dupas due to Justin's child in tryouts. SOMHA offered, OMAHA declined. Case closed.
- Need to lock ice booking down for U13 Provincials. **Need written exemption request to Sherry/OMAHA to delay scheduled start by one (1) day.**
- Moving U11 player around, possibly up to U13. With unknowns now from Summerland interest, we are leaving this alone until the dust settles down.
- with Ref rates accepted, Kathy to update budget and BoD to accept/approve next meeting.
- To Discuss Next Meeting – Tournament Profit splits, review of last year's tourney revenues, options for 2024/2025.

2024-2025 Board

1. President – Jason Moreau - OMAHA meetings in Vernon, Sept. 7th. Jason was previously only able to attend the Sat. Sounds like, due to important voting that is done on Sunday (Zone decisions) Jason will stay additional day. Scotty B. Has also offered to attend should that be required. Mark A. will attend Registrar portion. Rickard for Ref portion.
2. 1st Vice President – Chris Ward
3. 2nd Vice President – Diana Roxo
4. Secretary – Crystal Duperron - Burger/Beer Fundraiser night options. Crystal spoke to Alan – either 20th Sept or 27th Sept. 20th Sept is a tiering weekend so no-go there. Sept 27th it is. Crystal to let Alan know. Crystal has asked for help from BoD members as she is UNABLE to coordinate this fundraiser. Members to consider what they can do and offer support at next BoD meeting (27-Aug2024).
5. Treasurer – Kathy Bracken - Budget review, increases to non-parent coaching (\$2500 → \$3000). **Amanda - Motion to accept new non-parent coach rate. Motion passed.**
6. Ice Ambassador – Stephanie Abendroth - has U13 provincials ice set aside, mentioned ice costs increase 02-Sep-2024 by 10%. Jason mentioned Kathy already factored in price increase in 2024-2025 budgeting Was conflicting with Fiesta, and asked for an exception to extend for a day.
7. Registrar – Mark Antonello - Summerland would need Residential Waiver – Carded' before any players could be on ice with SOMHA. Needed by Monday noon for part. In conditioning clinics (Aug 26).

Registrar numbers and comments:

U7 = 27, U9 = 29 + 2 new coming in,

U11=35 skater + 2 goalies

U13 = anywhere from 18 to 28

U15 = 17 skater, 2 goalies, 2 trying out in Pen., Ty Usher U18 wanting to play down

U18 = 36 skaters + 2 goalies Residential Waivers received from Boundary for

Austin Geen (U18 Rep tryout) and Lucas Geen (U15 Rec?)

8. Referee in Chief – Rick Fredsborn - 3 younger refs attended clinic in Salmon Arm. Doing info sessions this week during conditioning camps. Thursday older official on-ice session. Ref clinic scheduled for week of 7-13 Sept. Would like to broadcast clinic via Teamsnap.
would like younger, and older, refs to use neck guards / neck shirts this season. Discussion of costs ensued. Final way forward was to 'strongly recommend' but not mandate neck guards / neck shirts for officials. Rick to see what he can get for better costing from Larry Lenarduzzi (Chevy's Vernon).
9. Referee Allocator - Diana Roxo
10. Equipment Director – Ryan Pyatt and Jordan Campbell - to organize Osoyoos Equipment Room this week. Pyatt mentioned no need to order any jersey sets this year. He said he has ordered socks, pucks ordered, Timbits jerseys ordered, Timbits medals ordered.
11. Risk Management – Amanda Stene
12. Female Director – Kary Steele, Katie Kwak - approx 23 female players in SOMHA, 10= U7s, 9=U9s, 2=U11, 2=U18. Female Jamboree was good last year, seems like we have good numbers at U7/U9 levels. Tournament Ice for Female Jamboree was not blacked out. Needs to be done.
13. U7/U9 Director – Amanda Stene - mentiond U7/U9 missed a lot of tournaments last year due to late registrations. Need to get U7/U9 parent groups moving quickly on tourney registrations.
14. U11 Director – Justin Fortin-
15. U13 Director – Joel Humphries -
16. U15 Director – Nathan McGinnis -
17. U18 Director – Scotty Bolger
18. Trophies and Awards – Mark Antonello, Racyne Mader
19. Sponsors and Programs - Scott Bolger, Nathan McGinnis
20. Tournament Director – Sheelagh Fredsborn and Crystal Duperron - beginning to slowly trickle in. Sheelagh has lines on cheaper Heart/Hustle awards, 1/2 price of previous years, etc. As long as costing is falling into budget limits, Sheelagh ok to proceed on purchase of those Tourney awards. Cranbrook and Quisnell must be in atom fiesta.
21. Coach Coordinator – Morgan White and Brad Burns - still searching for U13 Rep coach, U11 Dev probably one of parents of player who makes that team, U7 possibly Reagan Brady, U13 Rec, hope the find someone after fallout from tryouts.
22. Player Development – Jordan Campbell and Brad Burns - Power skating / player development. Providing open ice for Power skating/player development (look at early morning ice times). we bump up budget to \$8,000 for player development. In addition to goalie clinics, we want more player development. Options of re-approaching AK Hockey personnel (Kelowna). Also, Derek Ruck may be available this season. Pyatt / Campbell to get some costing for a Ruck option, for an AK Hockey option.
23. Rafflebox - Kathy Bracken
24. Referee Allocator - Diana Roxo

25. Timekeeper Scheduler - Diana Roxo

1) Committees:

- 1. Finance Committee - Kathy Bracken, Jason Moreau, Chris Ward - Referee fees increases. Per page 19 of SOMHA Policy manual 2023

CURRENT REFEREE PAY SCALE

as of Dec 1, 2022

	U7/U9	U11 – U18 *
Ref: Lev. I	\$25	\$50
Ref: Lev. II	\$30	\$70
Line: Lev I	\$25	\$45
Line: Lev II	\$30	\$45
2 Man System	\$25	\$50
Level I	\$30	\$70
Level II		

The Travel Cost for Referees outside of their ‘zone of work’ increases from \$17 → \$23 The Allocator role receives 10% payment on all games allocated. These rate increases will be reflected in an increased payment to Allocator. Finance Committee recommends that the Ref Buddy cost comes out of the overall ‘Allocator’ finances. Motion to (a) accept new rates (b) accept new travel cost (c) assign Ref Buddy cost to Allocator finances. Motion passed.

- 2. Discipline Committee - Amanda Stene, Racyne Mader, Rick Fredsborn, Chris Ward
- 3. Governance Committee - Diana Roxo, Chris Ward, Crystal Duperron

CORRESPONDENCE

CARRIED

Next meeting

August 27th, 2024.
 Osoyoos Sunbowl Arena 6:30pm - 8:30 pm

ADJOURNMENT

7:50pm

Moved by: Chris W
 Seconded by: Joel H

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