

**SOUTH OKANAGAN MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION (SOMHA)**  
**EXECUTIVE MINUTES**  
**July 23, 2024**  
**6:30 pm SPC (Oliver)**

**PRESENT:** Jason, Chris, Rickard, Sheelagh, Diana, Scotty B, Stephanie, Joel H., Katie K., Justin F. [Zoom]: Kathy, Racyne, Mark A,

called the meeting to order at 6:35PM.

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

1. Minutes of July 11, 2024 for adoption

Moved by: Joel H.

Seconded by: Chris W.

That the minutes of July 11, 2024 be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM PRIOR MINUTES**

**INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS/ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

1. Tournament Date Lockdown

Moved by: Jason M.

Seconded by: Diana Roxo

That the agenda of July 23, 2024 be adopted.

**CARRIED**

**BUSINESS**

- Sponsorship Letter Discussion – for e-transfers, do we want same email address? Kathy mentioned to use [[somhatreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:somhatreasurer@gmail.com)]
- Jason – we need to issue dates for tournaments. Mark A. Mentioned we have dates but had some slight changes, general discussion on locking down dates, Tournament Coordinator was going to do once over final review and issue info to group
- Rickard – requesting guidance on supporting our only Level 3 official (Glen Martins). Do we have Board support to cover cost of re-certifying Glen ..... scope being re-cert. Sessions held in Okanagan (Vernon and/or Penticton). Hotels, misc meals, travel kms. Finance Committee to include in budget discussion meeting 08-Aug-2024
- Rickard – confirming SOMHA will help travel costs for Ashton/Travis for ref clinic Salmon Arm.
- \*\*\* KM cost amount to be updated or confirmed correct on SOMHA website expense form. **Chris W. to follow up on this item.**

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- Rickard – attended RIC meeting – new info on CRC for any expired officials. List was supposed to be emailed to Jason. Mark A. Mentioned website going down 26-July-2024 for maintenance, suggest waiting until after 01-Aug-2024 for CRC re-applications.
- Rickard – wants to ensure discussion of ref rates continues. Finance Committee to discuss and propose rates during 08-Aug-2024 Budget Meeting.
- Rickard - also expressed interest in ref shadows and in-rink supervisors
- Registration Update:
- U7/U9 numbers increasing.
- Boundary seem to think they will have REC hockey at U13/U15/U18 levels but haven't over the last few years. If Boundary players don't make REP teams they will have to return to their home associations
- 2 x small U13 teams
- U15 Group – 4 said they would play REC, 1 player wants to transfer to Penticton
- U18 Full
- \*\*\*\*\* **Mark A. - will fill out declaration form for Sherry Wakelin (OMAHA) for 09-Aug-2024 deadline).**
- Kathy YE Financial Update
- Revenue doing ok, Kathy went into review of expenses, provided guidance and questions from Board members. In summary, about +\$20,000 net income from actual 2023/2024 YE.
- More tournament discussion, generally centered around flipping some dates U18 Rec and U9 ..... must be confirmed but generally U15 was moving to 13-15Dec and U9 moving to 24th-26th Jan2025. Mark A. Mentioned to ensure enough ice blocked out.
- Idea is to offer U9 full ice and 2 x officials for U9 tourney. U9 rules apply (ie. Related to penalties, offsides, etc.)
- Oliver Rink Construction – no updates expected until end of July
- BC Hockey said 15-Jan-2025 for U9 full ice, OMAHA overruled and said 15-Dec-2024.
- BC Hockey require sanctioned tournaments by mid to end August
- Oct 18<sup>th</sup> event (unsure what is was) .... cancelled all together .... maybe one of the U15 Rep tournament dates?
- Tournament Fee Discussion – comparison / discussion from last year to this year's proposed Fees. Jason offered review and comparison to Salmon Arm / West K.

Team	Last Year	This Year
U7	\$1000	\$1000
U9	\$1200	\$1400
U11 Rec	\$1600	\$1700
U11 Dev	\$1700	\$1900

Team	Last Year	This Year
U13 Rec	\$1600	\$1700
U13 Rep	\$1700	\$1800
U15 Rec	\$1600	\$1700
U18 Rec	\$1600	\$1700
U18 Rep	\$1700	\$1800

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- Rick – ref rates, Rick to offer ref rates from Penticton and Kelowna for comparison. Jason has North Ok and Salmon Arm ref rates for comparison
- Ref Buddy – Keep it? Board says 'Yes', Diana says useful, would like more access to schedule her own games. We should push Jonah on this. Was \$50 a month, now looking like \$100 / month.
- Tournament awards – any cheaper ordering options? Most medals we have have year etched into them. Hoping for a sticker on this years awards that doesn't etch year

No Director Updates

No Committee Updates – however, Finance meeting 08-Aug-2024.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by: Chris W.

Seconded by: Joel H.

**CARRIED**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM.

Next meeting: August 20<sup>th</sup> 2024 – Osoyoos (Sunbowl Arena) 6:30pm-8:00pm

Meeting after that – August 27<sup>th</sup> 2024, Sunbowl again (Oliver people agreed) 6:30pm-8:00pm