**Date: May 21, 2020**

**Called to Order: 7:05 pm**

**Minutes Taken By: Joanna Parnell**

**Attendees:** Joanna Parnell, Ali Whelen, Wayne Wolfe, Steve Benson, Nicole Howatt, Peggie Millard-Melnychuk, Rob Melnychuk, Steven Kuchirka, Rainie Gervais, Max Rupp, Joe Reynolds, Kathy Morton, Paul Bentham, Cory Wagg, Melissa Price, Cassandra McNirney, Duane McNirney, Erick Barba

**Motion to approve the agenda:**

* Motion to approve the May 21, 2020 agenda made by Ali Whelen, seconded by Nicole Howatt; All in favour, motion approved

**Review and Approve March 3, 2020 Minutes:**

* Motion to approve the April 23, 2020 minutes made by Ali Whelen, seconded by Steve Benson; All in favour, motion approved

**New Business:**

**Email update from NAI RE: Tiering and Travel - Rainie Gervais**

* Has received an update regarding the NAI committee to address the travel commitments and tiering challenges that have recently come up. The goal is to look into ways to reduce the distance and time needed for teams to travel for games and to address the need for more even tiering. One of the members has reported that there has been a lot of talk so far and not a lot of action in regards to addressing the issues at hand, however there is another meeting next week to further the discussion. So far, there has been talk of having 8 tiering games, to allow for “fine-tuning” as to where individual teams land for tiering.
* Talks about travel reduction including more games closer to home, more often rather than games a farther distance away. For the higher tired teams where there are less teams for even matches to conduct game play in a tournament style where multiple games are played over a weekend which will eliminate excessive travel and allow the game play to be conducted in a condensed format.
* Any thoughts or questions in regards to the travel issues, please pass them along to Rainie Gervais, and he will get into contact with our representative, Jeff Van Hecke Fort Saskatchewan Minor Hockey 2nd Vice President, from the 6 minor hockey associations we are in collaboration with.

**Discussion:**

* One question about tournament play and conducting regular game play during regular tournaments to get some games in the books. – in the past, this idea of combining game play with tournaments has not been done in the past with as this type of game play as it would reduce the overall number of games conducted per season.

**Reports:**

1. **President: Ali Whelen**

**Update on U15 Non-contact**

* Tiers 4,5,6 will be going as non-contact; tiers 1,2,3, There will be an opportunity to appeal to the league based on the standardized tiering grid.

1. **Vice President: Marc Aromin**

* Email from Hockey Canada regarding hockey windup parties have been cancelled due to Covid 19. Teams will not be allowed to have any hockey related events until the end of June, and possible to the end of July

1. **Past President: Steven Kuchirka**
2. **Treasurer: Melissa Price**
3. **Secretary: Joanna Parnell**
4. **Coach Director: Rob Melnychuk**
5. **Registrar: Nicole Howatt**

Bantam-Midget Contact vs Non-Contact Gameplay survey

* 62 responses were received. Responses by level, 25 from Bantam, 37 from Midget. 14 votes for non-contact, 48 votes for contact. Broken down further by level: Bantam had 16 for contact, 9 non-contact; Midget had 32 for contact, 5 non-contact.

1. **Referee in Chief: Joe Reynolds**
2. **Referee Assignor: Brandy Fisher**
3. **Level Director: Steve Benson**

* Sponsorship Jerseys are still in process however with most businesses being shut down, things are moving slowly.

1. **Fundraising Director: Peggie Melnychuk**

* Not much to report at this time, however Booster Juice is not currently accepting any more groups for fundraising activities. Bear Tracks ice melt has been contacted and pricing information has been received

1. **League Representative: Max Rupp**

* What is the plan for hockey if the season has a delayed start. As of now, NAI will have to come up with the contingency plan for us to follow for resumption of play.

1. **Ice Coordinator: Kathy Morton**

* Has been in contact with the town as to when the post ice users meeting is set for.

1. **AA/AAA Representative:**
2. **Equipment Manager:**
3. **Evaluations Co-ordinator:**
4. **Website Coordinator:**
5. **IP Level Coordinator:**
6. **Novice Level Coordinator:**
7. **Atom Level Coordinator:**
8. **PeeWee Level Coordinator:**
9. **Bantam Level Coordinator:**
10. **Midget Level Coordinator:**

**Closing Discussion:**

* Has there been any consideration regarding the excess funds that each team has in excess from tournaments. In the past the excess funds would go towards the year end windup party. Can that money be redistributed back to each family or applied back to registration fees. As the money is not collected by DMHA, does it belong to the group of parents that collected it, or does is belong to DMHA.
* Cash call monies collected is to be returned to parents,
* **Tabled discussion - Team Fund Allocation: monies collected from tournament play will have to researched to determine how it is to be distributed**

**Next Meeting Date:** June 11, 2020 (planning meeting for AGM) AGM June 18, 2020, Regular Executive Meeting July 9, 2020

**Meeting adjourned: 7:58 PM**