

Devon Minor Hockey Meeting Minutes

Date: June 22, 2022 Called to Order: 7:07 PM

Minutes Taken By: Brittany Wright

Attendees: Nicole Howatt, Cassandra McNirney, Adam Wright, Marc Aromin, Rainie Gervais, Melissa Price, Steve Kuchirka, Duane McNirney, Max Rupp, Brittany Wright, Joanna Parnell, Ali Whelen, Tina Pollock, Peggie Melnychuk, Stephanie Worrell, Leslie Preece

Item 1: Motion to approve the June 22, 2022, AGM agenda:

- Motion to approve the June 22, 2022, agenda made by Joanna Parnell, seconded by Max Rupps; All in favor, motion approved

Item 2: Review and Approve the June 24, 2021, AGM Minutes:

- Motion to approve the June 24, 2021, minutes made by Steven Kuchirka, seconded by Duane McNirney; All in favor, motion approved

Item 3: Reports

1. President Report:

This past year was great coming out of covid. Entered into the EFHL which was great. Small differences in each level, but overall a positive experience from our families. The feedback received from the majority was good. Nowhere near the travel with the EFHL. We also saw a savings of \$6800 in ref fees compared to NAI. The rate with EFHL is lower, and there are fewer games. Also savings in ice costs due to shorter ice slots for games, and some teams having less games. Another positive was fundraising. We started using raffle box for the 50/50 and saw a big uptake in money raised at tournaments. Player development was split into 2 sections, there was a paid version and a free for all version. Paid registration was available for all DMHA members, enjoyed by most of the older levels, vs the younger levels. Most of this was due to ice times and them being too late for younger levels. Generated a good revenue and had money left over even after each team received 2 sessions with dynamic hockey development . Registration was down a little, mostly due to covid, so we ran 2 teams at every level instead of having 3. This also provided an opportunity for ice cost savings. This made tiering a bit more of a challenge as the skill gap was larger on some teams, but there was no way around this unfortunately. For the new season, we are hoping to get back up to the 3 teams in each level . We have also brought in new bylaws for the new season. A few positions have moved from the executive positions to to admin level. Registrar and treasurer have moved to non voting members as admin roles, they will be hired by the new executive. We also eliminated the league representative role, as EFHL does not use this position, in its place we created the PR director. This position will look to get the name out for DMHA and liaison with the local paper and keep DHMA present on social media. Hockey Alberta has made some changes as well for AA and AAA levels. U!! Will have a designated AA level in Spruce Grove and Beaumont, this will be above tier 1. Beaumont will accept players from DMHA to try out. Spruce Grove may possibly accept DMHA players but this is unknown at this point. There is a form on the website that the president (Duane) will sign off to try out and play at this level. This



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form no longer exists at the older levels for AA and AAA. paperwork will be done by AA and AAA teams now to make the process more streamlined. Players can reach out to Beaumont AA and Leduc AAAto let them know they are coming to try out. No longer U16AAA, it has moved to U17AAA and U18AAA only. More information can be found on the Hockey Alberta website. U18 T4-6 are now non-contact throughout Alberta for anyone playing with Hockey Alberta. Several Associations from NAI are moving, Calmar/Thorsby/Warburg/Ponoka/Camrose/Drayton Valley and going to CAHL

2. Reviewing the Financial Statements:

- Melissa Price provided a summarized report of the 2021/22 financial statements to the members and opened the floor for questions.
- No questions asked
- Motion to accept the 2021/22 financial statements made by Tina Pollock, Marc Aromin seconded. All in Favour, motion passed

3. Appointing the 2020/21 Financial Statement Auditors:

- Each year, the financial statements need to be reviewed and audited by two members in good standing. The floor is now open to accept our auditors.
- Cassandra McNirney and Leslie Preece have volunteered to be appointed as the 2021/22 financial statements.

4. Electing of the Vice President:

- No Volunteers. Position will be vacant. Executive to Recruit and vote on a Potential vice president moving forward.

5. Electing of the Executive Directors:

- For the position of Secretary:

- Brittany Wright is not letting her name stand.
- Nicole Howatt has been Nominated by Leslie Preece, seconded by .
- Nicole will think about the nomination.

- For the position of Coaches Director:

- Steven Kuchirka will let the name stand.
- No other nominations were received.
- Steven wins by acclamation.

- For the position of PR Director:

- Max Rupp Nominates Ali Whelen.
- No other nominations received
- Ali wins by acclamation.



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- For the position of Referee in Chief

Joe Reynolds will let the name stand. No other nominations Received. Joe wins by acclamation.

- For the position of Level Director

- Max Rupp is Nominated by Ali Whelen
- No other nominations Received.
- Max Wins by acclamation

- For the position of Fundraising Director:

- Peggie Melnychuk lets name stand.
- No other nominations were received.
- Peggie wins by acclamation.

6. Other Motions/items for discussion from the membership:

The U7 Age group felt very neglected by the association and felt lost with the season.
Duane said that he and a few of the other members of the executive will be sure to be there this season to help U7 get started.

Item 5: Date of first new meeting of executive

In person , Wednesday July 13th at 7pm

Item 5: Closing:

- 1. Closing Discussion:
 - No further discussion
- 2. Date of Next AGM:

- Exact date TBD, but must happen before June 30, 2023

Meeting Adjourned: 8:41 PM