



Devon Minor Hockey Meeting Minutes **DMHA Feb, 21st 2024** **Executive Meeting**

Date: February 21, 2024

Minutes Taken By: Selena White

Attendees: Russ Buote, Joe Reynolds, Selena White, Mikaul Maygard, Peggie Melnychuk, Carrie Chang, Stephanie Worrell, Leslie Preece, Brandy Fisher, Kym Simon, Duane Mcnirney

1. Meeting Called to Order 7:07pm

2. Motion to approve the Feb 21st, 2024 Agenda:

-Motion to approve the 2024 Agenda made by: Peggie Melnychuk

-Seconded by: Tyler Desrosiers

- **All in Favor, Motion Passed**

3. Review and Approve the January 24 th, 2024 Minutes: Held off till next meeting

-Motion to approve the minutes made by:

-Seconded by:

4. Old Business

4.1- Awards Night- We have received the go ahead for the changes to the Liam Shea award for Most Dedicated U11 players-one per team. We talked about the Devon Drillers Excellence Award- awarded to a player for each team that best exemplifies strength of character, sportsmanship, competitiveness, and athleticism. This will replace the Leadership Award. Stephanie will email coaches about what they need to pick. Stephanie and Selena will make the google form for the volunteer of the year and coach of the year. We have a gift card to use for the cakes or buns, we also have a hotel stay we can do as a door prize. We will leave the master plaques the same until the board is full to change the wording (example Midget to U18. Peggie is collecting pictures for collages.

4.2- Equipment Policy- Tyler has this ready for input from the association. Selena will help Tyler put together a google form to attach the policy to and email it out.

5. New Business

5.1 Treasurer Update Carrie Chang

5.1.1- Tournament Financial Update- Carrie has made a spreadsheet that breaks down all the tournaments and all costs and revenue per season. Once we have all levels finalized we will send this out for review.

5.1.2- Honorariums and T4s- As of right now the way we pay our paid positions and call them honorariums is not correct. CRA is starting to move in the direction of reviewing honorariums and they also need T4As done so we need to discuss how we move forward and align with the correct policy. We can change when we pay or have them as independent contractors. Russ asked if we could dictate each month at the executive meeting how much the



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honorariums are. Mikaul suggested that we contact the accounting firm that completes our audit and ask them. Carrie stated she had and they did not provide sound advice. Mikaul Maygard made a motion to not do t4as this season for refs or honorariums, Stephanie Worrell seconded. Carrie will get a follow up with a summary and what our options are moving forward.

5.2- Coaches Director Tyler Desrosiers

5.2.1- U15 Coaching Update- Mikaul, Russ and Stephanie had a call with U15-2. No wrongdoing by the coach, mainly just in-experience is what it came down to. Moving forward we were able to secure 2 extra player development sessions, and got goalie help at practice. The coaches were a bit timid about pushing the kids, however after conversations with the coaches everyone seemed to be on the same page. Seems to be moving in the right direction.

5.3 Ref in chief Update Joe Reynolds

5.3.1 2024-2025 Ref Clinic Request Dates- Joe needs to select 3 dates for the ref clinic by the end of April. Currently we use the highschool, we can wait until the arena is done to see if we can use the arena. We need to blackout the ref clinic weekends. Joe will know in May or June.

5.3.2 RIC 2024/2025 Season- Joe will not be continuing on next year. He has reached out to a few people, one who was the RIC in previous years.

5.4 Ref Assignor- Brandy Fisher

5.4.1- Ref Stuff- Brandy is going away but she will have everything scheduled for playoffs. She will have a copy of everything and their phone numbers given to Joe just in case.

5.5 Level Director Update - Stephanie Worrell

5.5.1- U4 Discovery Program- This is a program run by many other associations where the younger ages don't play games and only practice once a week. The executive decided we would try it as an option at registration time, and see how it goes. Stephanie will make up a proposal and bring to the next meeting.

5.5.2- Ice Allotments – Stephanie worked out the cost of ice per level. Carrie provided information for costs of EFHL fees, player insurance, etc. Stephanie will provide this updated information next meeting. We have the opportunity to give each their the same set schedule next season. This was one of the biggest complaints from parents heard was the inconsistency in their player's schedule and it made it hard to partake in other activities.

5.5.3 -Respect Posters - Brittany made a poster up we will get them printed to put in the dressing rooms. We will wait until the new arena expansion is complete to make bigger copies for both lobby areas.



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5.5.4 -PlayBook Sports Many members have had someone from Playbook sports contact them regarding a sports platform, Stephanie had a meeting and she will send the information out.

5.6 Fundraising Director Update- Peggie Melnychuk

5.6.1- Fertilizer Fundraiser- Peggy received the information. The pick up location is Fort Saskatchewan. Russ offered his truck and trailer for pickup if needed. We need to order full pallets only which is 66 bags. We can sell for \$35 a bag giving us a profit of \$10.85 per bag. One week from the time we place the order to it being ready.

5.7- Ice Coordinator Update - Tina Pollock -Not In attendance

5.8 Equipment Manager Update - Kym Simon

5.8.1- New Jersey Order- Kym has the samples. Name bars cannot be used with the reversible jerseys so that option is not doable.

5.8.2- Jersey Conditions- Kym had to get rid of maybe 50 jerseys at the beginning of the season. The rest seem to be in good condition. We will see once we get the current jerseys back and will determine if we should just continue to replace the jerseys on an as needed basis or replace full sets at one time. Kim will also see if we did order jerseys for just one specific level at a time if United cycle can guarantee we will be able to get the same jersey for the next few years as we slowly replace them. Kym put in the application for the U11 McDonalds Atomic Sponsorship and we will wait to hear back.

5.8.3- Team photos – Questions about going back to photos on the ice as in previous years as the photoshop and background are not as nice as the on ice photos. Stephanie is working on this.

5.9 President Update

5.9.1 League Governor - Chad Griffith put his name forward. Mikaul will verify if we need to fill this position as in previous years the position was on a rotation so we only needed to have someone every 3 years.

6.0 Continuous Improvement- Russ Buote

6.1- Jersey Sponsorship- We discussed that there was a time and place for the previous Jersey Sponsorship policy that the association has had for a number of years. DMHA is now finding other ways to bring in monies to support jersey costs and replacement. It was agreed that the current Jersey Sponsorship will pause for the 2024-2025 hockey season. We will develop the following new policies for the 2024/2025 season: 1) Name Bar Policy 2) Team Sponsor Policy and 3) DMHA Sponsor Policy



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6.2- Propose Policy Meeting- Russ suggested that we continue to bring one area of concern in the rules and regulation document to update each meeting.

7.0 Current Committees-

7.1 Evaluations- Joe Kym/Peggie/Ali - continuing to receive proposals from outside evaluators. Will bring back information to the next executive meeting.

Next Meeting Date: Thursday March 21st. 7pm Servus Room

Meeting Adjourned at: 9:48pm