

# South Muskoka Minor Hockey Association AGM

# 169B James St. Bracebridge, ON May 7, 2024

Location: Bracebridge Arena

P - Present, R - Regrets, V - Virtual

Jody Somerville	Р	Chris Broadworth	Р	Julie Hogue	Р
Mark Jennings	Р	Whitney Middlebrook	Р	Kevin Babcock	Р
Jessie Dureen	Р	Kim Ellis	Р	Kristin Livingstone	Р
Emma Bennett	Р	Tina Hamer	Р	Jenna Domalik	R
Krysia Schafer	Р	Chris Ledsham	Р	Norm Webb	Р
		Sarah Wheeler	Р		

Chair: Jody Somerville Recorder: Jessie Dureen Non Board Members in Attendance:

Agenda Topics		Chair/Presenter
1. Call to order	Meeting is called to order at 6:34 <b>pm</b> on the 7th day of May 2024	Jody
Approval of     Previous     Meeting	Minutes: Motion to approve the 2022 - 2023 AGM minutes Minutes approval moved by: Second by:	Jody
3. Board member Reports:		

## 3.1 President

Our season was a huge success registration was 429 up from 385 the previous year. We anticipate continual growth year over year and will make forecasted changes to accommodate. We were able to ice 28 teams ranging from U5 to U18 age groups using ice available at Bracebridge, Gravenhurst, and Baysville arenas.

We had many successes in MPS/GB this season. U18D won the Regional Silver Stick, many of our LL teams won our local MPS Championships, and U9 Select won in Hespler. Our U13D, U15D, and U18D teams won their way to the OMHA Championship in Halton Hills.

U9 - MD was not a consideration this past year due to the traveling required and MPS's recommendation to avoid putting a team forward. SMMHA decided to try an EX (Expanded Program) style format to offer kids the opportunity for more development ice. The program was successful with 28 kids registered for the season. We also formed a U9 select team in late November which played a few games and a couple of tournaments. I would suggest rostering a U 9 select team for the 24/25.

SMMHA & MPS will support a U8 and U9 division to ensure proper development and align with O.M.H.A. changes.

SMMHA was host to several successful tournaments this season. A new addition this year was the Dap & Duncan tournament honouring 2 local hockey influences. All these tournaments created new community business bonds and economic impact for both Bracebridge & Gravenhurst, more details for the 2024/25 season under tournaments.

The manual of Operations was successfully updated and the ByLaws will be updated in the 24/25 season so they are current and match 23/24 objectives and policies regarding not-for-profit organizations.

Our social media presence was off the charts this year covering EVERY aspect of our association from events, OMHA postings, Celebrations, Resources, News, and much much more.

Jody

	We were able to provide many community outreach initiatives on some Friday nights and other special dates.  First Shift Program - The NHL/NHLPA First Shift program is designed to ensure a positive experience for new-to-hockey families by offering a low-cost entry program to hockey. We were able to provide the opportunity to 30 players from around the area and provide brand-new equipment from head to toe. We have applied for this program again for 2024/25.  SMMHA goalie program was able to utilize the extra development time offered and this program with get a restructure next year along with player development.	
3.2 Vice President	There were a few hiccups with the new VSS screening going electronic. It did start to run quicker after awhile. New changes this year with OHF running VSS.  Banquet ran smoothly. 15 LL teams and 8 Rep teams. Trophies need a fare bit of TLC. Updating and refurbishing is on my agenda this summer. Banquet came in under budget with the help of donations from local businesses. Thank you to our committee partners.	Mark
3.3 Secretary	To date the Website is running smoothly, along with emails all Administrative items are up to date and posted online. Hoping to do some Website housekeeping in the new Season and update a few areas needed. Receiving emails for Registration info/date for new players wanting to join the Bears next season.	Jessie
3.4 Treasurer	Below is this year's revenue and expenses	Emma

Revenue Item	YTD Total	Annual Budget	Over/Under
Registrar	\$319,739	\$319,525	\$214
Treasurer	\$1,325	\$0	\$1,325
Meeting Rooms	\$0	\$0	\$0
Rep fees	\$44,020	\$40,000	\$4,020
Ice Scheduler	\$0		\$0
Referees	\$0	\$0	\$0
Hockey Tournaments	\$48,400	\$42,500	\$5,900
Equipment	\$0	\$0	\$0
League Sponsorship	\$20,600	\$20,550	\$50
Silent Auction	\$6,975	\$6,000	\$975
Fundraising	\$3,217	\$4,000	-\$783
ОМНА	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local League	\$0	\$0	\$0
Player Development	\$0	\$0	\$0
Volunteers	\$0	\$0	\$0
Admin	\$0	\$0	\$0
Year End Banquet	\$1,000	\$0	\$1,000
(Other - Specify)	\$0	\$0	\$0
	0		0
Total Revenue	\$445,275.47	\$432,575.00	\$12,700.47

Expense Item	YTD Total	Annual Budget	Over/Under
Registrar	0	0	0
Treasurer	1,769	17,000	-15,231
Secretary	0	200	-200
Meeting Room	0	500	-500
Bears Office	1,130	1,200	-70
Ice Scheduler	228,342	230,000	-1,658
Referees	27,708	24,000	3,708
Hockey Tournaments	14,462	24,500	-10,038
Equipment	\$49,138.74	50,000	-\$861.26
League Sponsorship	\$0.00	500	-\$208.87
Fundraising	\$291.13	1,000	-\$708.87
Silent Auction	0	100	-100
OMHA	30,541	27,000	3,541
Local League	3,796	4,000	-204
Player Development	834	5,000	-4,166
Volunteers	2,032	2,500	-468
Photography	1,350	1,000	350
Website	2,966	2,000	966
Year End Banquet	6,065	9,000	-2,935
(Other - Specify)	0		0
	0		0
Total Expenses	370,427	399,500	-29,073

This year the association came in over budget in revenue. The major reasons for this are, we had more players enrolled then we forecasted and that led to more rep fees being paid. We were very successful with our silent auction and fundraising this year. We really pushed to have a successful year so that the association wouldn't have to raise our registration fees. With the increase in players and fundraisers, we are happy to have achieved that goal. We also have a very successful tournament season that brought in more than what was

forecasted for.

We also had Eric Faulkner's family generously offer to have donations sent to the association in his name. We are using those funds as the family sees fit and the family will advise the association on how to proceed when they are ready.

For expenses, quite a few areas came in under budget. I know a big question will be, why is ice under budget. We had a delay with the Baysville arena opening this year and we try our best to bid for ice time and we do get shut down by the centers sometimes. Our ref fees are over budget because we had to pay a lot of out of town refs for travel. OMHA is over budget because the cost of everything has increased and we are not able to forecast those increases. That also happened with our website.

Our forecasted expenses for next year can be seen below. The association has tried to forecast the best we can for inflation and rising costs in all areas.

Revenue Item	2023/2024 YTD Total	2024/2025 Annual Budget	2023/2024 Budget
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Equipment	\$49,138.74	55,000	50,000
League Sponsorship	\$0.00	500	500
Fundraising	\$291.13	750	1,000
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Registrations by Division	<u>Players</u>	<u>Fees</u>	
Local League			
U5	15	\$475.00	\$7,125.00
U7	45	\$675.00	\$30,375.00
U9	75	\$775.00	\$58,125.00
U11	90	\$775.00	\$69,750.00
U13	65	\$775.00	\$50,375.00
U15	70	\$775.00	\$54,250.00
U18	80	\$775.00	\$62,000.00
	440		\$332,000.00
Rep/AE League			
U11 Rep	15	\$325.00	\$4,875.00
U11 A/E	15	\$325.00	\$4,875.00
U13 Rep	15	\$325.00	\$4,875.00
U13 A/E	15	\$325.00	\$4,875.00
U15 Rep	17	\$350.00	\$5,950.00
U15 A/E	17	\$350.00	\$5,950.00
U18 Rep	18	\$350.00	\$6,300.00
U18 A/E	18	\$350.00	\$6,300.00
	130		\$44,000.00

There was a decision made to raise the rep fees by \$25-\$30 for each division. This decision was made based on the fact we haven't raised our rep fees in roughly 5 years. We felt this was a better option than having to raise registration fees.

There will be unknowns for the association with the new arena. We have not been given certain costs at this time for ice per hour or the cost of our meeting rooms. We are estimating based on previous correspondence from all towns. We do expect there to be a major increase in ice cost. The cost for equipment has increased based on forecasts received for next year.

We have also had to rent a storage locker to currently hold all of the SMMHA items prior to the new arena opening.

There has been an increase in player development funds because the association feels that is a great area to focus on for all players. Our photography has been removed. The association feels it is best to leave photos up to each individual team for scheduling and providing payment.

# Motion to approve the 2024-2025 budget as presented

Motioned by: Sarah Wheeler Seconded by: Emma Bennett All in favour, Approved

# 3.5 Director of Public Relations

This season's Online Silent Auction had 53 items/services auctioned off which netted the association over \$6000. Suggest working on obtaining items starting this summer so the association can accumulate more to auction off than last year. The 32 Auctions site used was user friendly and provided tools needed to make it a success. Various tag days were offered throughout the summer leading up to the start of the season were a success, especially Rib Fest/Cottage Show. Suggest leveraging other events in Muskoka this summer to continue this trend. Player Fundraising done in partnership with Rich Hill Candles went great, especially given the rollout before the holidays. Twenty players participated, and we returned \$1786 overall to families to help supplement annual registration fees. Team fundraising needs improvement on the way it is tracked and managed, not all teams communicated their fundraising initiatives to the board (this may have been due to initial website anomalies, however this should be looked at a little closer next year). Logo licensing netted the association additional funds through the two authorized Bears apparel dealers in Muskoka. Renewal of licensing agreements recommended in the 2024/25 season.

Engagement online rose significantly with the adoption of Instagram and linking it with Facebook to help boost social media posts on events, team successes, association communication, etc. This has also helped indirectly support our sponsors where possible with sharing and liking of their posts. Creation of a "Hockey Night in Muskoka" logo paired with social media reels helped boost the goal this year of making select evening home games a local event. These were also paired with great community building initiatives such as the

Krysia

	support of local food banks.	
3.6 U9 Local League Director	The Local League season started similarly to other years. The season start involved additional development skates, in order to advance player skills and provide opportunities to build teams of equal strength. Overall the season was a success with many individual and team wins, but some significant challenges occured at the U9 level. In Spring 2023 OMHA provided new U9 programming permitting a MD program. For a center of our size a MD program was not feasible, but a solution was to provide a U9 Extended Program (EP) and met with local parent concerns in providing a U9 program with more development [Summer 2023 Board Minutes will provide more details to the parent concerns and program selections]. The U9 EP program added some unforeseen challenges in season 2, and discussed below.	Chris L
	U5 Programming: U5 players were able to progress from never being on ice before, to being able to get up, skate around and enjoy many on ice games. U5 Programming has some typical challenges with new players and families which include getting coaching staff to support the program, and commonly leans on other coaches or board members to get the season started. In addition scheduling challenges impact U5 sessions, but are typically made up by extending their season beyond March Break. This season we were fortunate to have two coaches who have older players with SMMHA and U5 age players to be able to meet these ongoing challenges.	
	U7 Programming U7 players were able to better their skills, work on learning the U7 pathways skating skills and play each other in half ice games. This season we had 3 U7 teams who were able to play in jambouree's and play each other over the season.	
	U9 Programming The U9 LL teams and U9 EP teams were able to develop through our SMMHA U9 Development plan and grow from half ice play to full ice play and were able play refereed games between our own U9 LL teams, U9 EP team and other center's U9 LL teams and at U9 Tournaments, including our home U9 Tournement. SMMHA was able to ice 5 U9 teams and 1 Select team over the season. In the summer 2023 MPS LL board was notified of	

SMMHA's U9 development program, including our choice of a EP program. In second Season MPS was not able to adjust the round robin to account for an EP program and the round robin was challenging with one side games. It is also important to note that other U9 centers also provided teams that had different skill levels with some being stronger then our U9 EP teams. It will be an ongoing challenge to align the members of MPS to suit our needs. SMMHA and Huntsville have by far the most players in a typical year at the U9 level with 5 SMMHA and 4 HV team. The other centers within MPS typically have challenges filling 1 U9 team. Recommendations for the future would be to have more input on the MPS round robin in second season.

Further all teams were able to take advantage of an extended season and to wrap up on March 23rd weekend. These successes also had various challenges along the way which affected their season, some challenges will need to be addressed next season in order to increase the success of the program.

Challenges & Opportunities for 2023/2024 season: 1) Bench Staff (Coaches/Managers/Trainers- U5 as noted above)

- 2) Players varying skill levels----- Through U7 and U9 best practices are followed to balance teams and colour code players so that like skilled players can run drills together. These age groups are also in need of more Player Development, and will be something to focus on in 2024/25
- 3) U9 will continue to have challenges with significant level of skill separation, the removal of a U9 REP program by Hockey Canada, A U9 MD program that is too restrictive for a B center to accommodate, and offering challenges to U8 players that have delveloped ahead of U9 players, plus OMHA limitation on moving players into higher age groups at this age. The U9 EP and U9 Select teams provided fantastic development of the ~30 player involved. A side effect of this program is the coaching staff remaining for U9 left some gaps and some experience as we moved into full ice. While the U9 EP program was not without some issues, it was also the first of its kind and providing many benefits to the players, which is commonly overshadowed by the items that didn't go as well. I encourage our next U9 LL director to continue to push the programming into new avenues to provide the very best for our players.

- 4) U9 Participation, Skill Development and Having Fun. U9's programming was specifically detailed to address these challenges, and for the first season with this model it was considered a success. The U9 EP and U9 Select program met the challenges from the 2022/23 season which noted "Some areas for advancement for the 2023/2024 season will be looking at ways to provide the higher skilled players with another avenue of advancement, while staying within OMHA guidelines. This could be a 2 hour vs 3 hour program option, allowing for more dedicated players to choose the 3 hour option, with additional fees". Regardless of the selection for the 2024/25 season, player development will be a more critical element to prepare the U9 Players for the transition to full ice and to U11 level hockey.
- 5) Scheduling Schedule U5, U7, U9:Team schedules for ice time was a challenge with the impact of home tournaments and more significantly reduced ice availability since the previous year. These challenges with become more significant in seasons to come, and creative solutions will be needed to keep. players on ice and to maintain a social economic positive activity model for players.
- 6) Schedule: A more consistent schedule for U5, U7 and U9--- U5 should have a time slot either mid morning or after lunch as these players are more affected by hunger and tiredness. U5, U7 and U9 should play at the same facility and after one another, ie U9, U7, U5 in order to permit some of the development items noted in 2 above. U5, U7 and U9 should be scheduled in the Gravenhurst Arena (unless the new Bracebridge arena is built to accommodate the half ice boards. This allows for the boards to be set up once for multiple practices/games, before needing to be taken down.

Overall these items above are items for refinement, and to take our program to the next level. These items and the communication and guidelines needed for them will provide strength in our program in the future and better refine how we deliver the U9, U7 and U5 programs. I personally look forward to helping refine the U5, U7 and U9 program for the 2024/2025 season with the next U9. Director of Local League, U9 and Below.

Thank you to all the volunteers that made U9 to U5 a success over the past 4 years in the Director Role, it couldn't have been a success without you!

The season started on time - the weekend after Thanksgiving. Some challenges filling benches, staff wise but did, thankfully have coaches and bench staff really step up this year, hopefully to continue into the 24/25 season. Some definite challenges with training etc with iPads and teams finding parents willing to help, but hopefully we can set up some more explanation/training for next season, early in the season.	Sarah
Successes - Felt like everyone was comfortable coming to me for assistance when needed - Goalie development at the younger ages was extra helpful this season - On - ice success in tournaments and league play  Things I'm hoping to improve - Coaching supervision, consistency and training	
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- Coaching supervision, consistency and training				
- Manager training and knowledge, definitely did improve this year but still seems to be a				
disconnect				
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- Time keeper skill set and training
- Goalie numbers, definitely was a struggle this year
- Jersey colours overlap/similar to other centres (thought WAY better with the red this season!)
- -teams being balanced, planning to try a new approach for the coming season -also hoping to run a D1 coaching clinic in August, just waiting on confirmation of ice etc

# 3.8 Equipment Director

All jerseys arrived on time this season. We did have a sizing issue with U13 LL, that was dealt with and updated for future ordering. It is impossible to have exact sizes for player jerseys as teams are not made until months after ordering & two ages in each division. We also made note about ordering more AP jerseys for U18 as they have several more injuries.

This year we purchased many new buckets, pucks, pylons and first aid kits. It's imperative we receive these items back at the end of season. With understanding we won't receive all

Whitney

pucks, however this is a huge cost to the association to repurchase each season. We were lucky enough to purchase two sets of goalie equipment for U11 this season Our association was also selected as a recipient of the 2023 OMHA Goalie Assist which provided us with a new set of U9 goalie equipment We are moving in the direction of purchasing pinnies for tryouts next season, to make things easier for the process 3.9Tournament Tournaments were posted on OMHA tournament page with registration opened on July 1st Kim Director 2023. U13 B/D • 16 teams, including our 2 home teams (Multiple teams were waitlisted) o Great overall feedback. However, there was anger that one certain team was permitted entry by OMHA. However, they did not win. Solution - adding a semi final game. 1 bench suspension U11 B/D o B division had to canceled due to 0 registrants o Only 5 teams in C/D including our own o Great overall feedback. However, there was anger that one certain team was permitted entry by OMHA. However, they did not win. Solution - adding a semi final game. Suggest changing time of year for U11 tourney U7 o 20 Teams, including our 3 o Amazing feedback. Not 1 complaint all weekend "Teddy Bear Toss" for Salvation Army Challenging to engage and maintain SMMHA team support, possibly due to age group. I would suggest starting strong and pulling in Volunteer Director and LL Director to assist with framework and guidance.

### • U9

- 15 teams, including our 5
- o Great engagement from teams and volunteers.
- o Amazing feedback. Not 1 complaint all weekend
- A reminder of referees maltreatment needed to be sent out to all bench staff on the Friday evening of the tournament
- OPP presence needed to be requested proactively for the championship game due to one center's bench and parent groups behaviour.

In total South Muskoka Minor Hockey Association hosted over 800 players (including home teams) this very successful tournament season.

A new area of revenue was introduced - Accommodation Partners & Tournament Sponsorship. This area was highly successful in its introduction. There is lot's of opportunities for growth for the upcoming seasons.

	YTD TOTALS	2023/2024 BUDGET	UNDER/OVER BUDGET
Revenue	\$48,400	\$42,500.00	\$5,150
Total Expenses	\$14,462.48	\$24,500.00	-\$10,037.52

A grant application was submitted to the Town of Gravenhurst. In March 2023, we were successfully approved and awarded \$24,000 for the 2024/2025 tournament season, spending is subject to grant agreement with the Town of Gravenhurst.

The Upcoming 2024/2025 Season

- Arena Display/Promotional items (Signage etc)
- Trophies

3.10 Off Ice Officials and volunteer Coordinator	D Tournaments were booked prior to season and paid.  Pre-skates were organized and coaches were assigned.  A managers manual was created and handed out during managers' meetings.  Managers were responsible for training their team members for time clocks and scorekeepers. Qualified timeclock volunteers were booked to train team members. It would be beneficial to also train more high school students as they need their volunteer hours.  Feedback was received for having a different/new photographer for our association. Worked closely with some different photographers for quotes and ideas.  Worked closely with the director of public relations to organize different events and silent auction.  Communication was sent to bench staff in regards to player awards and the spreadsheet was created for Mark Jennings.  End of year banquet was a success.	Tina
3.11 OMHA Director	Batch Team Registration has been sent to the OMHA - Only 4 changes to the Batch Team Registration  Insurance forms for all SMMHA arenas were completed  Suspensions carry over list for next season has been posted Rep Suspension were up this year - LL Suspensions were the same this year  All iPads are accounted for and returned - Only 2 Ipads were broken  All teams were restored and registered on time	up Chris

	<ul> <li>Rep Teams rostered early - AP Forms done correctly</li> <li>LL Teams rostered had some issues with coaches and players</li> </ul>	
	1st and 2nd season completed properly with no issues	
	Playoffs we had 3 issues.  - 2 Rep at U13B and U18B  - LL had big issue in Parry Sound  First Shift was completed with huge success	
	3 Reps went on to Red Hats	
	LL Championships were completed 3 winners	
	Minor Hockey closing of the Bracebridge Memorial went well by SMMHA and Bracebridge residence	
3.12 Ice Scheduler	Ice application request forms were submitted to towns of Bracebridge, Gravenhurst and Baysville in spring of 2023 and SMMHA was allocated our ice by the beginning of August.	Julie
	2023-2024 Ice	
	Bracebridge	
	Monday 5-10pm	
	Tuesday 6:30-8am & 8-10pm	
	Wednesday 6:30-8am & 8-10pm	
	Thursday 6:30-8am & 8-10pm	
	Friday 6:30-10pm	

Saturday 10:30-1:30 & 3-9

Sunday 9-1 & 3-7

Gravenhurst

Monday 8-10pm

Tuesday 5-7pm

Wednesday zero

Thursday 5-7pm

Friday 5-10pm

Saturday 8-12 & 2-7

Sunday 9-12 & 2-7

Baysville

Monday 5:30-7

Tuesday 5:30-7

Friday 5:30-7:20

SMMHA was responsible this season to host 13-14 home games for each of our 8 rep teams and 9 home games for each of our 10 U11-U18LL teams as well as 4-6 games for our 5 U9 LL teams beginning in January when they transitioned to full ice play. In addition, SMMHA had all 8 rep teams advance to semifinals and 3 teams to championship games, many played here in our arenas.

We hosted 4 tournaments, U18LL MPS Championships over two consecutive weekends

and South Muskoka's Chub Downey Local League Championships in April. We provided 8 one hour ice slots to Bauer's First Shift Program throughout Saturdays in February and March. With the anticipation of SMMHA registering even more Bears this coming 2024-2025 season, collaboration has already begun with new arenas to try and accommodate our further ice demands. Applications have already been submitted to Bracebridge and Gravenhurst and ice is being discussed with Baysville, Bala and Port Carling. Ice scheduling will continue throughout this summer to best support our Bears upcoming season!

3.13 Player Development Director	Pre tryout and development skates were a success. Tried to follow OMHA suggestions as best we could according to ice availability.	Kevin
	Focused on goalie development. 2 sets of equipment purchased for U11 goalies. Successful ice times for U7, U9 and U11 throughout the year with a couple new goalies and hope that we retain those interested.	
	Ice time again was a factor for overall player development. Ideas on how to change things have been brought forth for next year in hope we can offer individual team/ player development.	
	Successful first shift program with over 30 new players attending.	
	Possible D1 coaching clinic proposed for the fall.	

3.14 Sponsorship Director	As always, we are extremely thankful to our community and the support the small businesses give to our minor hockey club. There were quite a few new sponsors this year. Krysia was a huge help in making social media posts to get team sponsors and the spots were quickly filled. Krysia also put together team sponsorship pictures which are framed and ready to be handed out by the new sponsorship director.	Kristin
3.15 <b>Registrar</b>	U5 = 13 U7 = 46 U9 = 48 U9 EP = 28 U11 = 79 U13 = 63 U15 = 68 U18 = Overage = 3 Total playing this year = 429 Total signed up and then cancelled for various reasons = 41	Jenna

3.16 Referee in Chief	<ol> <li>Started the year with the following refs: Level 3: 6, Level 2: 5 Total refs: 11</li> <li>New refs for entry level clinic: 5</li> <li>Finished season with the following: Level 3: 7, Level 2: 7 Level 1: 3 Total Refs: 17</li> <li>Over budget due to increased cost of mileage for out of town refs.</li> <li>No games canceled due to shortage of refs. Other centers have canceled games due to ref shortage.</li> <li>Maltreatment: As the year progressed, maltreatment increased from the players, coaches and parents. We all need to work together to eliminate the abuse the officials are receiving. No refs-No games.</li> <li>Supervisions: OMHA has mandated that all refs receive 2 supervisions per year. Don Collison was very busy and successfully supervised all refs in South Muskoka as well as helping out in other centers.</li> </ol>	Norm
4. Committee Reports (as needed)		

# 4. Committees Reports (as needed)

#### SMMHA Committees:

## **Coach Selection Committee:**

(2023-24 Rep season) Chris B, Mark, Norm, Jody

External members: Pending- to be approved by Executive Directors 2023-24 LL Season, above list including Local League Directors

Additional:

Discipline & Ethics: Jody, Chris B, Mark, Norm,

Additional: Sarah, Chris L, Kevin, Julie,

Ice Committee: Julie, Jody, Emma, Kevin, Chris B, Sarah, Chris L

Additional:

Purchasing Committee: Whitney, Emma

Additional: Mark

Fundraising & Events: Krysia, Emma

Additional: Kim, Kristin, Tina

Tournament Committee: Kim, Kevin, Julie

Additional: Sarah, Krysia, Chris L

- Cancellation Policy Revision of Cancelation Policy, effective immediately
  - Any team that pulls out of the tournament after 90 days prior to the first day of the tournament will receive a refund less 25% ADMIN FEE.
  - Any team that pulls out of the tournament after 60 days prior to the first day of the tournament will receive a refund of less than 50%.
  - Any team that pulls out of tournament after 30 days will not be refunded
- Tournament Dates Proposed, pending ice allocation
  - October
    - October 25-27 2024
  - November
    - November 29-Dec 1 2024
  - December

■ Date: December 6-8 2024 January ■ Date: January 3-5 2025 February ■ Date: Feb 7-8 2025 March ■ Date: March 28-30 2025 Committee Members & Roles Addition of Directors to MOP ■ Sponsorship Director ■ Volunteer Director o Subtractions Directors to MOP (All Directors welcome on committee, not obligated by MOP) Player Development Local League Committee: Sarah, Chris L, Julie Additional: Kim, Chris B Awards Committee: Mark, Emma, Chris B, Sarah, Chris L, Jody Additional: Manual of Ops Committee: Jody, Mark, Emma Additional:

**Bylaw Committee:** Mark, Jody, Chris B

Goalie Committee: Kevin, Mark, Julie, Whitney, Norm

5. Motions (as needed)

#### Motion 1 CL:

Revise the Tryout Process to the Following, replacing the sections as per below

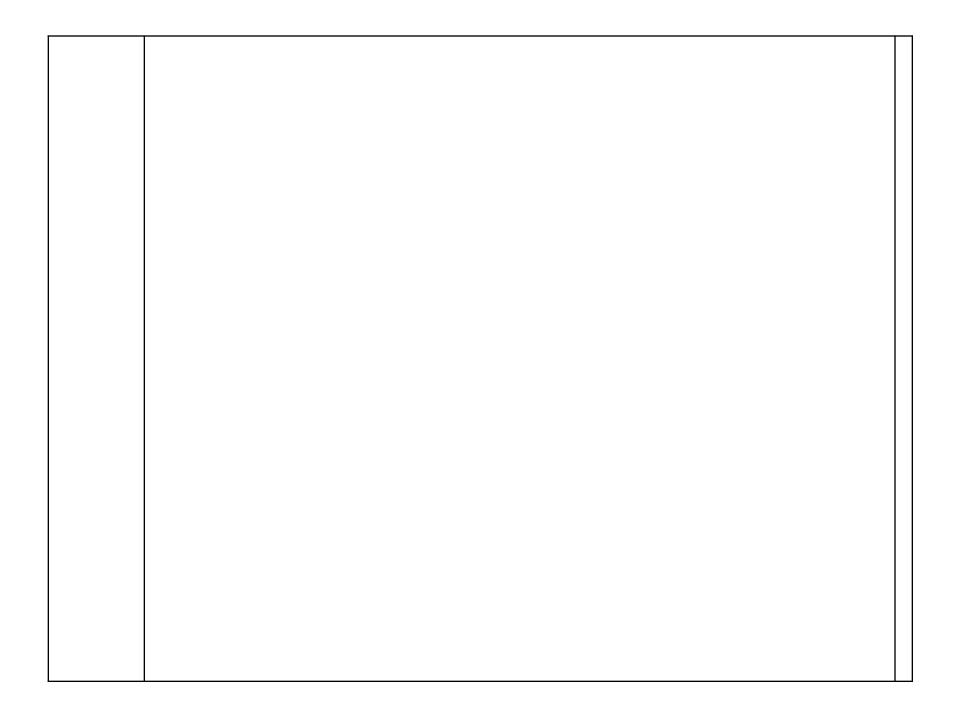
### **4.5.3 TRYOUT PROCESS**

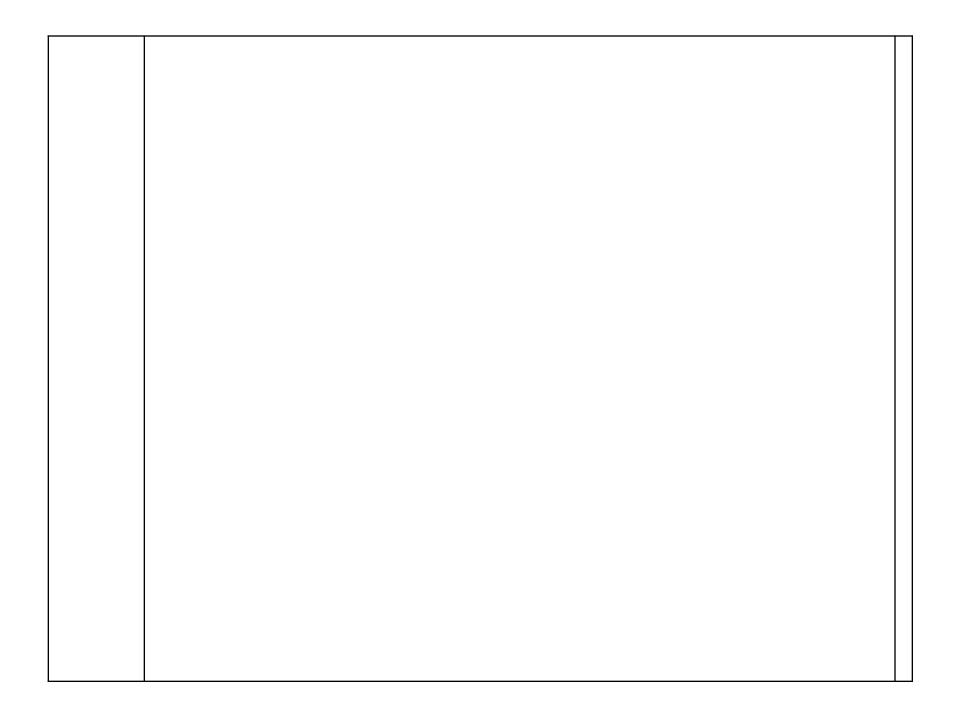
**4.5.3.1** Prior to player evaluations, all players will be provided pre-tryout development skates in order to prepare the players

for formal tryouts. AE formal tryouts will begin following final cuts of the Rep tryouts.

- 4.5.3.2 The Head Coach will provide a written set of Player expectations for tryouts, along with their season goals, and what they are looking for at tryouts. A copy of this will be provided to the Director of Player Development.
- 4.5.3.3 Following the development skates, formal tryout evaluations will begin. Development and tryout skates will be subject to the following:
  - A) The on ice coaches and helpers shall not be considered in conflict as per 4.5.3.4. The Team's Head Coach
  - B) is an exception to 4.5.3.4.
  - C) The Development skates shall consist of skills, small area drills/games, and game simulations.
  - D) The Tryout Evaluation skates shall consist of at least 3 sessions, with an option for a 4th exhibition game.
  - E) No Player Cuts are permitted until after the 2nd Tryout Evaluation.
    - a) Only 2 goalies can be taken to the 4th optional exhibition.
  - F) The Head Coach shall submit in writing to the Player Development Director the focus of each Tryout Evalua, The names of all on ice coaches and helpers conducting the on ice Tryout Evaluations prior to the first development skate for review and comment. It is recommended that skills, drills and a scrimmage be included.
  - G) All on ice coaches and helpers must meet the SMMHA and OMHA requirements contained within this docur
  - H) Final cuts will be made after the 3rd Tryout Evaluation or the optional exhibition Game.
  - I) All cuts will be provided to the Player Development Director prior to the players being notified.
  - J) The Coach shall, if requested, provide to the Player Development Director notes on why they are cutting a palong with a couple points as to what the player strengths and weaknesses are and what they should work The Player Development Director may choose to share these points to the player/player guardian if necess
  - K) Cuts will be completed by posting the player numbers being invited to the next tryout on the team website.

	same process will be utilized for final team selection.  L) Players cut from Rep shall proceed to AE tryouts, players cut from AE shall proceed to Local League
	Motion to adopt the MOP as per the MOP meeting on April 16th.
ľ	Motioned by: Emma Bennett
	Seconded by: Mike Carlson All in favour, Approved





6. Corresp ondence		
7. Nominatio n or election of Officers or	Voting rights of members shall be as follows as per the SMMHA Bylaw:  1. Any member of the Board of Directors  2. Any team official	

# Directors 3. Any rostered hockey player that is of legal voting age 18. (As 4. needed) 5.

- Any parent or guardian will have one vote for each of their rostered player
- In all cases there will only be 1 vote per rostered player even if circumstances might indicate more.
- 6. There shall be no proxies
- 7. Nominations will be accepted from the floor with a 3 time call out for each position.
- 8. Current nominees will have the opportunity to speak prior to casting votes and those not in attendance have provided a write up for review
- 9. For positions with more than 1 nominee, paper ballot voting will take place here at the front and please place your completed ballot with your selections first name in the box. Ballots will be tallied by the president and secretary unless there is a conflict of interest. In the event of a tie we will ask for a recount by an executive member and a tie breaker will be decided by the president.

Nominations from the floor for Director of Public Relations & Marketing Nominations brought forward; Carmen Bliss No other nominations presented: Carmen Bliss is the new Director of Public Relations & Marketing

Nominations from the floor for OMHA Director Nomination brought forward; Jeff Barnes, Kevin Babcock, Andrew Besseau Paper vote taken place: Jeff Barnes is the new OMHA Director

A Motion to ratify the SMMHA Board Positions for the 2024-2025 season as presented from the all-members nomination meeting held April 9, 2024 and including the 2 nominations made tonight.

Motioned by: Chris Ledsham Seconded by: Frank Palmay All in favour, Approved.

# Therefore the 2024-2025 Board will be as follows:

President: Jody Somerville
Vice President: Mark Jennings
Secretary: Jessie Dureen
Treasurer: Emma Bennett
OMHA Director: Jeff Barnes
U9 Local League: Paul Raynor
U18 Local League: Sarah Wheeler

Ice Scheduler: Julie Archer

Off Ice Officials and Volunteer Coordinator: Tina Hamer

Tournament Director: Kim Ellis

Player Development: Chris Ledsham

Registrar: Tanaya Lusk

Director of Equipment: Whitney Middlebrook Director of Sponsorship: Jennifer Lennie

Director of Public Relations and Marketing: Carmen Bliss

Ref in Chief: Norm Webb

8. New business/ other business	Motion to close out the 2023-2024 season. Motioned by : Emma Bennett Seconded by : Chris Ledsham All in favour,	
9. Meeting adjournme nt	pm	J d d
	Next meeting: Tuesday, May 14th, 2024 at 6:30pm	

	Location: TBD	
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