

South Muskoka Minor Hockey Association Board of Directors Meeting 169B James St. Bracebridge, ON February 13, 2024

Location: Bracebridge Arena

P - Present, R - Regrets, V - Virtual

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Jody Somerville	R	Chris Broadworth	V	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: Jody Somerville Non Board Members in Attendance:

Agenda Topics		Chair/Presenter
1. Call to order	Meeting is called to order at 6:37 pm on the 13th day of February 2024	Jody
Approval of Previous Meeting	Minutes: January 9, 2024 Minutes approval moved by: Emma Bennett Second by: Whitney Middlebrook	Jody
3. Board member Reports:		

3.1 President Jody

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	Gravenhurst arena to block bottom entrance to players only access. Spectators to enter through the main doors	
	Nominations are going well and will be open till Feb 22nd at 12:30pm.	
	A number of D&E issues have been investigated and further action has been taken to rectify the situations.	
	Meeting the TOB to discuss our proposed ice needs for 24/25	
	Teams need to respect other user groups ice times in BB. No warm up upstairs as it's distracting to Skste Muskoka.	
	Could we get a few more goalie clinics happening this month?	
	No expense this month	
	Action Items: - Managers emailed all concerns	
3.2 Vice President	I'm starting to plan the banquet. I'm waiting on the town to let us know if the arena will be open after the ice is out. Jenna sent me a list of graduating players. Coaches will be selecting award winn ers in the next 2 weeks.	Mark
	Action Items: -Nominations for Coach of the Year, Volunteer of the Year, etc	
3.3 Secretary	Action Items: General meeting scheduled for March 5th at 6:00pm Bracebridge Arena. Note that the elections will be held at this time.	Jessie
3.4 Treasurer	Update expense sheet , Edges needs to pay 10%Mark was following up with Edges.	Emma
	No expenses to report	
	Action Items: - Mark to follow up	

3.5 Director of Public Relations	no news to report Newsletter content deadline Feb 26 Action Items: - Brian Ingram Volunteer of the Year Award- to be announced in the March Newsletter	Krysia
3.6 U9 Local League Director	U5 and U7 progressing normally. Moved a Sr. U7 up to U9 for more competitive play U9 started a full ice round robin with all MPS U9 teams. MPS placed U9 EP with U9 non EP teams, and other centers U9 teams are blended U8/U9 or just U9 teams. We discussed with MPS the rationale for how teams were blended, and as U9 are development teams with no prior game records there was no data to determine pairings. The round robin will establish team tiers for the finals. Held a U9 coach/managers meeting to discuss the game matchups and what could be done. Discussed with MPS the option to adjust games, and would need MPS board approval. SMMHA U9 teams provided options for changes, but the SMMHA U9 teams also had other commitments that prevented any changes. U9 round robin has ended and U9 playoffs with 3 pools is being set by MPS https://mpshl.ca/Rounds/28237/MPS_Local_League_2023-2024_U9_PLAYOFFS/ No Expences Action Items: NEED FINAL WEEKEND ICE AVAILABILITY	Chris L
3.7 U18 Local League Director	Action Items: -Inquire hiring OPP during playoff games as per MPS recommendation, notice to possibly go out to all Centres/Associations - Need Board members to access players	Sarah

3.8 Equipment Director	Action Items: -Goalie equipment Loaner Agreement to be created for equipment to be lended during Summer Months - Storage Unit needed for remaining equipment	Whitney
3.9Tournament Director	Revenue Item	Kim
3.10 Off Ice Officials andVolunteer Coordinator	Bailey was a huge success at Fire & Ice. Our booth in the arena had some traffic as well. No expenses to report.	Tina
	Action Items:	

3.11 OMHA Director	- OMHA Rosters are finalized as of Feb 10th. No changes can be made First Shift program is a big success. Players are loving it MPS and LL are discussing a new way for the U9 division. Meeting will happen after playoffs - Reminder to check your bench staff on the GameSheet. You have to have the right person in each position.	Chris
3.12 Ice Scheduler	Action Items: - 6 Rep playoff games scheduled for all B & D South Muskoka teams, games have started and must be played by March 3rd - Single semifinal game will be scheduled after round robin playoff games are finished, 1st vs 4th and 2nd vs 3rd, game to be played by March 7th (home ice given to higher ranking team) - Rep finals can begin March 16th only if both teams agree to commence play over March Break, best ⅔ series to be finished by March 22nd - OMHA Championships to be held March 29th and April 5th weekends for qualifying centres - MPS LL semifinals and finals will take place over 2 weekends this season, Feb 24-25 and March 2-3 - SM hosting U18LL semi & finals - Ice allocated for our final U9 tournament March 22-24th - Meeting with TOB early this spring to discuss our association's ice needs and how we will work with	Julie Kevin
3.13 Player Development Director 3.14 Sponsorship Director	Bracebridge's new Jr C team Will be hosting body checking spring clinic for U13After LL playoffs, can use ice for goalies etc. Will see what i can come up with	Kristin
	Nothing to report Action Items:	

3.15 Registrar	U5 = 13	Jenna
•	U7 = 46	
	U9 = 48	
	U9 EP = 28	
	U11 = 79	
	U13 = 63	
	U15 = 68	
	U18 = 81	
	Overage = 3	
	Total playing this year = 429	
	Total signed up and then cancelled for various reasons = 41	
	Action Items:	

3.16 Referee in Chief	Action Items: 1) January ref fees: \$5,547.00. To date: \$18,038.00 Left in budget for year: \$5962 2) Playoffs have started and intensity has increased significantly. Some parents have been kicked out of games, both visiting and home parents. 3) Don Collison has been supervising all SM refs. Dave Wedlake, from Omha has also been supervising select referees.	Norm
4. COMMITTEE Reports (as needed)		

4. Committees

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: Katie, Kim, Kristin, Tina

Tournament Committee: Kim, Kevin, Julie

Additional: Sarah, Krysia, Chris L

- U13 B/D
 - o 16 teams, including our 2 home teams (Multiple teams were waitlisted)
 - 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.
- U11 B/D
 - B division had to scrapped due to 0 registrants
 - Only 5 teams in C/D including our own
 - 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
- Amazing feedback. Not 1 complaint all weekend
- Challenging to engage and maintain SMMHA team support. I would suggest starting strong and pulling in Volunteer Director and LL Director to assist with framework and guidance.
- U9

- Adding additional team (1 LL & 1 Select team on waiting list)
- Currently 16 teams, including our 5
- Cancellation Policy
 - 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/Divisions
 - October
 - U13 B/D
 - October 25-27 2024
 - Fee \$1300
 - November
 - U13LL & U15LL
 - November 29-Dec 1 2024
 - Fee \$1200
 - December
 - U7
 - Date: December 6-8 2024
 - Fee \$700
 - January
 - U11 LL
 - Date: December 3-5 2025
 - Fee \$1200
 - February
 - U15 B/D
 - Date: Feb 7-8 2025
 - Fee \$1300
 - March
 - U9 LL
 - Date: March 28-30 2025
 - Fee \$1000
- Accommodation Service
 - Not moving forward with service
 - Accomodation Partner again with no policy to police
- Committee Members & Roles
 - Addition of Directors to MOP
 - Sponsorship Director
 - Volunteer Director
 - Subtractions Directors to MOP (All Directors welcome on committee, not obligated by MOP)
 - Player Development
- Trophies
 - Refurbishing or New trophies for 2024/2025

- Tournament Banners Action Items: Sponsorship Director
 - Allocate funds in budget for general association branding
 - Welcome to Bear Country tourney etc
 - Also to display at hotel partners Proud Supporter of Youth Hockey etc.

Snacks Bars

- Gravenhurst
 - Season Rental for Tournament Weekends Flat rate or 1 rate divided between all tournaments or No Charge Action Items: Julie
- Bracebridge
 - Inquire with Jody & Town on what will be available at new facility (snack bar, auditorium & lobby vendors) & fees

Action Items:

- 2023/2024 # of teams by division in OMHA
- 2023/2024 Tournaments & Teams registered in OMHA

Local League Committee: Sarah, Chris L, Julie

Additional: Katie, Kim, Chris B

Awards Committee: Mark, Emma, Chris B, Sarah, Chris L, Jody

Additional:

Manual of Ops Committee: Katie, Jody, Mark, Emma

Additional:

Nothing to report.

Bylaw Committee: Mark, Jody, Chris B

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

5. Motions (as needed)	Moved by: Kevin Babcock Second By: Sarah Wheeler	
Correspondence		
7. Nomination or election of Officers or Directors (As needed)		
8. New business/other business	SMMHA ADVOCATING FOR GIRLS CHANGE ROOM FOR VISITOR AND HOME WITH OUR FACILITIES	
9. Meeting adjournment	8:35 pm	

	Next meeting: March 5th at 6:30 pm	
	Location : TBD	