



STITTSVILLE MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

**Stittsville Minor Hockey Association
Monthly Council Meeting – February 19, 2024
8:00PM – virtual via Zoom**

Attendance:

Scott Phelan*	Marie Cote*	Bethany Roy	Allyssia Chamberlain*
Terry Foley*	Bill Corcoran*	Natasha Pappin	Jennifer MacDonald
Leanne Simpson	Mike Kemp*	Holly Foley	Emily Parent*
Richard Hogue			

*denotes voting Executive members

1- Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 7:04pm with Scott Phelan (President) chairing the meeting.

2-Approval of the Agenda:

There was no motion made to approve the proposed agenda - not applicable

3-Approval of the Minutes:

The minutes from the January 2024 meeting were not approved as the council did not review them before the meeting started.

4- Conflict of Interest:

None disclosed.

5- President Update:

Welcome to February. Hard to believe just how fast the end of the season is going.

TTM reporting is up. We have every Director copied on the TTM's when one occurs. We are seeing a lot more of them as we enter the playoffs. Messaging is clear from the HEO, the District & ourselves to do the best we can to represent in a professional manner. Zero tolerance for bad behaviour.

There has been a referee shuffle in D4 with 5 Referees being let go. Messaging came from HEO into D4 that the names of 5 officials would be removed. Since the removal D4 has seen a drop in suspensions. Let go because of errors in calls made, GIR not believed upon video evidence. Trust from HEO is lacking. Aswell, officials refused to wear neck guards. Example: U15 WC and Osgoode - Game 3 in first round of the series. Penalty shot after curfew. WC should not have been awarded a penalty shot. After a review from HEO.

Affiliations: Applications are closed as of Feb 15th. HCR is locked down for that. We can make any changes unless you're a goalie.

Social Media: Snap chat group. If kids get added then please ask them to remove themselves. The Ice Dogs (Casselman) made a post about the U15 MTK. Players from 4 associations are being suspended.

Travel permits: New travel permit forms. If you have any travel permits, please get them in before the end of the week.

Unsanctioned league Hockey: If we know of players & have proof that they played, then we can report to the district. Home associations take precedence over unsanctioned hockey. At U9 specifically we are losing kids District 2 (Cornwall) lost 22 kids this year. People Leaving for 1/2 ice. Full ice - Looking at it for next year. U9 is the toughest age group because 1/2 ice. Review next season.

No hearings for minimal suspensions as of Jan 23rd.

Minor Council - Discussion on Family members on the same team. Coach, Manager, etc. Looking at what they do in girls Hockey. More to discuss at the district level.

SMHA Post Secondary Bursaries - SMHA gives out 3 x SMHA Bursaries. While Hockey is still top of mind I'd like to get this posted. Requirement attending post secondary, University, College or Trade School.

AGM - Tuesday April 23rd - 6pm. Need to work back from a few dates. Can I ask that you please take a look at language clean ups etc. Also, are there changes to the constitution that we need to make..? We have Novice, Atom, Pee wee, etc. So I'll put forward those changes. Nominations - must be sent to the nominations 15 days beforehand and names posted 7 days beforehand.

Constitution - Page 14. Language must be sent to the secretary 15 days beforehand and will provide amendments to the executive 10 days beforehand.

Our next meeting is March 19th so we still have ample time but the season ends fast and people run away.

Boundaries will stay as status quo until next season and will be reviewed in 2024-25 hockey year.

6- Vice-President of Finance update:

- Reviewing the HEO invoices and removing duplicate names and expect that a final invoice to follow
- If the advertisers on the boards at JLA have not paid (5 currently at the moment), their advertising will be removed
- Our Director of Fundraising is organizing a trivia night at Centre Ice Sports Bar for May
- The Barley Mow Free has given us coupons for a kids meal /\$15 off

7- Vice-President of Operations update:

- The final round of ice cuts and returns this week are due this week. Final ice permits will then be created and sent to Emily
- Please see monthly report

8- Vice-President of Support Services update:

- We are seeing an increase of suspensions this season
- I will need to draft a response to address all of the ice comments that were in the mid-season survey.
- The Director of Development will send out a reminder about the pathways program and guidelines to the U7/U9 parents and coaches.
- Please see monthly report

9- Director of Competitive update:

- The RAMS teams are seeing a lot of success this year which is great
- A proposal has been approved by the B-League to include District 5 (Arnprior to Deep River) in the B-League. This would add 1 or 2 more district teams to the league at the U14, U15, U16 level. This expansion is being used as a pilot project that could potentially lead to even more expansion.

10- Director of Development update:

- Please see the monthly report

11- Director of House U11/U13 update:

- Please see the monthly report

12- Director of House U15/U18/U21 update:

- Please see the monthly report

13- New Business:

- AGM is scheduled for Tuesday April 23, 7pm at JLA
- Volunteer Appreciation Night will likely be scheduled for Saturday April 20 (Marie Cote to confirm with the Barley Mow)
- Scott Phelan (President) raised a motion for Terry Foley (VP of Support Services) to cover all responsibilities of the President role from February 25, 2024 until March 17, 2024. The motion was approved by Rob Lomas (Director at Large) and Emily Parent (VP of Finance). All other executives present at the meeting also supported the motion.

14- Adjournment:

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:36pm. Motion made by Bill Corcoran (Director of Development) and Mike Kemp (Director of Competitive)