MEETING MINUTES REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS Tuesday August 9, 2022

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dan Hildebrandt	AJ Wheaton
Jessica Briggs	Mike Murphy
Nicole Holmes (Via Zoom)	Dave Pennington
Stephanie Earley	Christie-Lynn Constable

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Ron Harrison, Ryan Tabobondung, Megan Rochon, Mike Kearns

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The zoom meeting was called to order and chaired by Dan Hildebrandt at 7:17 pm.

2. ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Resolution 2022-19 Moved by: Stephanie Earley Seconded by: AJ Wheaton THAT the minutes of the June 13, 2022 & June 28, 2022 Board Meeting be approved as presented. CARRIED.

4. DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

5. CORRESPONDENCE

6. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

President (Dan Hildebrandt)

1) at the last MPS meeting, I picked up our finalist banner for our midget rep team from the OMHA region 5 Tier-1 Championship.

2) continues to be lots of discussion both at the MPS and MPS local league boards about the U9 Division and how are going to be managed going forwards, with also noting they can only be local league teams.

3) I have been working with on an appeal reply to the letter from the OMHA on the potential reclassification of the club designation from B to C for the 2023 -2024 season, along with a number of other centers.

4) I have been in touch with our hockey club development director, just to provide basic guidance based on our committee and board feedback.

Resolution 2022-20 Moved by: Dave Pennington Seconded by: AJ Wheaton THAT the initial budget for player development of \$10 000 to start the booking process of clinics. CARRIED.

5) I have had Tim McWhirter reach out to me with interest about the referee in Chief position. Which I also spoke to him as well as to the previous Referee in Chief. I had previously also spoke to our previous head timekeeper as well as our previous Health and Safety Officer, both which indicated if available and if we were interested, would be interested again filling the respective positions again for the upcoming season.

Resolution 2022-21 Moved by: Christie-Lynn Constable Seconded by: Jessica Briggs

THAT Tim McWhirter be appointed as the Referee in Chief, Tim Nicksy be appointed as head timekeeper, Rick Thomas be appointed as the Register & Dawn Buckland be appointed as the Health & Safety Officer.

CARRIED.

6) I and Mike Kearns also spoke about the recommended purchase of Jerseys based on Mikes review with additional feedback from Mike Murphy on the current Jersey's and our board previous review and recommendation to replace them if needed, which appears to the case as our current jerseys are many years old at the point.

7) I also reached out to our OMHA regional director about where to find the NRP – Non-Resident Player Passport Forms and he indicated they would have been sent to someone within the club. I am thinking they probably went to the previous OMHA contact. So I have been following up with OMHA office to track down some new ones and get them sent to me, so they can be used as needed.

8) Dave and I spoke a few times about times allocations for the upcoming year and AJ and I have spoken about the strategy around the sharing of duties of the OMHA contact for the time being, and Megan have spoken about a number of items including development, REP Tryouts.

Thank you all once again for all your work, help and support of our hockey club.

Vice President (A.J. Wheaton)

I hope you are having a great summer to date! Below is my VP report for our meeting tomorrow night:

I have been in touch with Alicia Lesperance, our Risk Management Officer, about Vulnerable Sectors Checks for next season. She forwarded me those that are valid and I have put that information into the Hockey Canada Spordle so it is on those volunteer's profiles. I have been starting to collect Vulnerable Sector Checks for those who need one next season and have been inputting that information into the system. I started by contacting the Rep coaches and executive members regarding VSCs last week. I have already heard back from a few people. It is so quick and easy to have a VSC done online through the OPP now, there is no excuse for any volunteer not to have it done this season. I have also updated all the Police Check information on the website and created a new Volunteer letter for the club that is needed to receive a VSC.

I have been carrying out some of the OMHA contact duties as well including responding to requests for permission to skate forms for AAA and Junior tryouts. I attended the OHF Town Hall meeting that was held online last week in response to the "issues" currently regarding Hockey Canada. There was a lot of information shared about insurance and money and where/what all of our club fees go towards. There was also a lot of talk about the bad reputation hockey is

gaining right now and how we as minor hockey clubs, the OHF and Hockey Canada are going to respond to that moving forward this season.

I have also been acting as the Tournament Director for the club. Back in early July I submitted all of our club tournament requests to the OMHA. They were all approved and paid for. I also created tournament websites for each tournament and tried to streamline registration and payment information to a Google form. Uptake has been slow to date, with only a few teams registering so far between the U15 and U18 Rep divisions. There have been a few other emails of interest at a variety of levels but no official registrations. I have a feeling this will get busy in the next few weeks. I fear there is also some confusion around the OMHA about the new Rep levels and what tournaments to register for. If we are still sitting here in a few weeks with limited registration, I will start reaching out to organizations to see if they are interested.

Treasurer (Jessica Briggs)

Registration is sitting at 188. Rep teams have registered for each 3 tournaments each totally \$14,450. Intermin invoice \$5000 + HST from KPMG. Insurance from OMHA being paid now. Dave Pennington will need a copy for the arenas.

OMHA Director (Unfilled)

Nothing to report

Ice Time Director (Dave Pennington)

Ice time secured in Humphrey for the first couple weeks of September. Friday after Labour day open skates start. Rep Tryouts U15 & 18 Start Early.

Rep Director (Megan Rochon)

I have been in a lot of discussions with our coaches this summer. With 3 out of 4 being new to coaching there have been many questions. I have been happy to help each of them get on there way.

I have heard from coaches that navigating tournaments this year has been more difficult then most. The popular tournaments were full by mid July and where expensive this year. Also with the change of venue and invitation only for silver stick this year, it was a bit of a surprise. Thank you to Chris Dumont and his connections with midland to help secure a spot for our Rep teams in silver stick this year.

That being said all of our rep teams have submitted and have been approved for there away tournaments for the upcoming season. Thank you Jess for being so quick and on the ball at sending funds to organizations as this year the urgency to get our funds to hold a spot was imperative with tournaments filling up so fast.

I will be reaching out to coaches soon to see whom they have secured for their on ice help and evaluation for upcoming tryouts. Also checking in with Rick Thomas on coaches and staff qualifications. I also would like teams to secure there exhibition game sooner then later.

Last but not least Chris Dumont would like to make an appearance at our next August meeting. He has a few thoughts and ideas he would like to share with the board.

Local League Director (Ron Harrison)

Absent – Nothing to report.

Equipment director (Mike Kearns)

I have had discussions with Dan and we agreed that an investment in new Jerseys would be a wise investment at this point. The intention would be to proceed with an order of matching sublimated green jerseys for all teams U9 - U18 except the U11 group as the jerseys are supplied through the McDonalds Sponsorship. Additionally, new sublimated white jerseys would be purchased for the Rep division teams.

The estimate is approximately \$27,000 for all new jerseys which should position the club well with matching jerseys (including some spares/team) for the next 5 plus years. The existing jerseys will be collected and assessed for condition

and then those that are functional will be retained for future use/extra teams etc. The stock of existing vintage jerseys will be offered for sale this coming season as a fundraiser for the entire club (method/timing to follow)

Ordering expediently will be necessary to ensure delivery as backlogs will be occurring in the supply chain.

Further equipment needs are being assessed and ordering will occur shortly.

Resolution 2022-22 Moved by: Dave Pennington Seconded by: AJ Wheaton THAT the club purchase new club jerseys for each team (Excluding U11, Rep having home & Away) with the total estimate of \$27 000. CARRIED.

Sponsorship & Awards (Christie-Lynn Constable)

Resolution 2022-23 Moved by: Stephanie Earley Seconded by: Dave Pennington THAT sponsorship rates be increased to \$600 for Local League. CARRIED.

Ways & Means Director (Nicole Holmes)

Nothing to report. Discussed the golf tournament in the fall. Nicole is going to reach out to Krista to set started.

IP Director (Mike Murphy)

55 IP registered. Player sizing day to be booked soon at the arena. Socks & Jerseys ordered from Tim Hortans

U8 focus on getting them a schedule for the latter half of the season.

Past President (Ryan Tabobondung)

Absent - Nothing to report

Tournament Director (AJ Wheaton)

8 Teams for the single tournaments and 5 each for the split tournaments.

7. OUTSTANDING BUSINESS

Fundraising – Tournament fees (Profit) Will be pooled between LL & Rep. That money earned from tournaments will be allocated to the club. Then the club will cover the cost of up to \$2000 REP & \$1500 for LL allocated to each team to pay for away tournaments.

Resolution 2022-24 Moved by: Stephanie Earley Seconded by: Mike Murphy **THAT** the club will cover tournament costs for REP up to \$2000 & Local League up to \$1500. Anything above that will be the responsibility of the team. **CARRIED.**

8. NEW BUSINESS

Coaches Night – Meg & Ron will host a coaches night to share process for fundraising, booking and paying for tournaments.

Advertisement for LL Coaches. & Searching for Referees.

Next meeting August 23, 2022 at 7pm Children's Aid Board Room

9. ADJOURNMENT Resolution No. 2022-25 Moved by: AJ Wheaton Seconded by: Mike Murphy That the Board meeting be adjourned at 9:18 pm. CARRIED.