

MEETING MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Tuesday December 8 2020

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dan Hildebrandt	Chris Mahon
AJ Wheaton	Adam Moyles
Christie-Lynn Constable	Krista St. Amant
<u>Stephanie Earley</u>	Megan Rochon
Dave Pennington	Dawn Buckland

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Kat Lashbrook , Mike Murphy, Mike Kearns

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The zoom meeting was called to order and chaired by Dan Hildebrandt at 7:04 pm.

2. ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

i) Registered players not paid - can we delete from HCR Discussion: at the start of our season participants were not allowed on the ice if they haven't paid. We would like Chris to take a quick look at the list but if they are costing us money we would like them to be unregistered.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Resolution No. 2020-21

Moved by: Aj Wheaton

Seconded by: Chris Mahon

THAT the minutes of the November 24 2020 Board Meeting be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

4. Health and Safety Communications Officer Report – Dawn Buckland

Update – No Covid cases within the hockey club. We haven't had to go through any return to play protocols. We went through the schools in September and October Sick population, a lull with non in November but again popping up again. Currently we are in the green Zoon, discussed that we may move into yellow however that doesn't affect sports. A new email was sent out to parents about the return to play and protocols. Dawn and AJ would like to meet with Arena staff monthly or biweekly to ensure we are meeting their expectations and if they have any concerns, we want them addressed.

Dawn was wondering what the holidays look like and if we can return to play immediately after the holiday or should we be taking two weeks off.

Discussion Adam has OMHA meeting tomorrow so we will know more then.

5. DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

6. CORRESPONDENCE

7. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

President (Dan Hildebrandt)

I have continued to monitor the information coming from the Province and the OMHA regarding among other things, also the high positive Covid19 case numbers for Ontario and watching for any impact to our Return-to-Hockey Guidelines or the Hockey Season. So far, we are not impacted but concerns continue to be raised in and for other communities with higher case counts, with in some cases some further restrictions continued to be imposed on them.

Have had more feedback on the season from parents and players who all seem to be very happy overall with the season. This with everything considered are again are grateful to be back playing hockey.

On our behalf, I had a call with the our OMHA Regional Director regarding our planned year end Parry Sound Hockey Club Skills Competition Club Championship. He was very supportive and thought it was a really great idea and really liked the framework for our event and he as well as others passed along their support.

Also spoke to him and a few others about the possibility of the entire MPS participating in an MPS Skills Championship Weekend with the winners of our Club Competitions representing our clubs in a full MPS Skills Championship. They all really liked the whole idea and have asked me to present the concept to the MPS Executive this week, to gauge the interest for the current year.

All agreed this would be a great event to bring to all of the MPS, whether it was this year or next year and to also have then have it as an annual event. Some thought was put forward in maybe having it in the opposite years of the MPS All-Star Game. There was genuine interest in this also becoming an MPS Competition.

They were very open to thoughts for the current season, but there was some discussion about the possibility of maybe for the current season it potentially being kept to the individual Hockey Clubs. With some further discussion about the potential of a full Head-to-Head MPS Skills Competition Championship at a latter yet to be determined date, as another possibility. Ideally no matter when it happens, for consistency it would then include a live Head-to-Head MPS Skills Competition Championship, which would be held in the same location or locations for that year. This of course, when Covid is better under control and restrictions are lifted. We will wait on the further feedback from the MPS Meeting.

Thank you, that is the end of my Report.

Vice President (AJ Wheaton)

I have been coordinating with Kat regarding distribution of last season's awards. I was able to hand out about half of the awards this past weekend. I should have the rest of them out to the players/coaches by the end of the week.

I sent out a reminder about self disclosure forms being sent in. I have a whole bunch in my possession. Still waiting to hear back from Lisa Moore about collecting them. I still have a number of staff involved with the club who have never got back to me. Maybe we should set a cut off date or they may have to not participate until a self disclosure form is received? I will email any people with forms outstanding later this week.

I have been working with Mike Murphy and Dave Pennington regarding Wednesday skills sessions. Mike has arranged for a clinic this upcoming Wednesday with Brandon Mashinter. I have been receiving emails from parents/coaches registering their kids for this clinic so we can only book the amount of ice that is required.

Treasurer (Christie-Lynn Constable)

I have updated the budget to reflect the most current projections. Notably, sponsorship dollars are way under what we had hoped to receive. I have talked with Kat regarding this. She confirmed that letters went out to all past sponsors around the middle of October, and \$500 was the suggested amount. Unfortunately, more than half of our usual sponsors have not responded at this point. Dan wondered about following up with the ones who haven't.

I'm not sure where we are at with fundraising but am optimistic that we can get creative and still hit our \$10000 target.

In my conversation with Kat, she told me that I could slash the budget for awards considerably, as she believes she has enough left in the storage room left over from previous years to ensure that all kids in the club will receive something at the end of our season.

Skills sessions- we need to make a decision about how we are going to proceed with these, as that will directly impact the budget.

Discussion: In the new year do we charge for Skills, \$5-10 up to \$30 depending on the skills program. We need to be creative on how we can raise money through sponsorship or save money but still have the skills programming. Our ice contract only goes to the end of the year. Moving forward we will need to decide if we can continue with the Wednesday skills development, Ice costs and skills coaches.

OMHA Director (Adam Moyles)

Nothing to report.

Ice Time Director (Dave Pennington)

Items to Discuss:

- **Skills Session:**
 - We have 1 more Wednesday night (Dec 16th) to schedule before the holiday break
- **2021 Schedule:**
 - Do we want to consider changing teams that have practices in Humphrey?
 - Note that both Atom's and Bantam's have Monday night games in BOCC.
 - Moving these to Humphrey will likely cause issues and extra costs for Refs and Timekeepers
 - We would likely need to change game nights for everyone to ensure all games are in BOCC
 - Family Day weekend
 - Are we cancelling Club programming from Friday Feb 13~Monday Feb 15th?
 - Skills Competition: Club: Feb 19~ 21 & MPS: Feb 26~28
 - Need to work out ice time requirements to run the program
 - Should we move weekend games to practice times for those weeks (or Wednesday nights) if we need the ice for Skills Comp? (I think the kids have more fun at games)
 - March Break: Monday March 15 ~ Friday March 19

- Are we cancelling Club programming during March Break
- Are we cancelling Club programming on weekends before and after March Break?
- Initiation Program:
 - Need start and end dates.
 - Same ice time allocation?
- Any further consideration of possible Tournament / Year end Round Robin play-offs?

Discussion: The New Pathway U11 is not allowed to play on family day weekend. Dave is going to set up a tentative schedule and let us know.

Rep Director (Megan Rochon)

Nothing to report

Local League Director (Chris Mahon)

- Some coaches have suggested a player rotation for the shooters that are invited to the goalie clinics. I'm not sure of the perfect solution to be fair for everyone, however, this is a goalie clinic, not a shooter's/players clinic. Depending on the skill session for the goalies, and what they will be working on, I feel the coaches should be the shooters, or at the very least older players (in a normal season). so they can work with the goalies and help them work on the specific skill. The goalies are consistently forgotten during regular practises and this session is for them.
- The pucks and pylons in the equipment room continue to be very limited... I assume coaches have what was set in there a few weeks ago from Mike K? In previous season's the board discussed getting pucks for each coach /team and if next season is a normal one I think we should try/do this. The coaches should keep and maintain them for the season and hand in at the end, and avoid leaving them in the equipment room.
- I have begun to collect all game sheets to track game ejections and penalty minutes. I have messaged our referee and chief - a system is in place for me to once a week collect the sheets and aggregate the information on them. So far on the sheets I have seen, the games have been running pretty good with very few issues.

Sponsorship & Awards (Kat Lashbrook)

Nothing to Report

Equipment director (Mike Kearns)

Nothing new to report this week

Ways & Means Director (Krista St. Amant)

Open to ideas for fundraising to help offset costs this year.

Some ideas:

- fundraise at February skills competition (dependent on covid stage)
- raffle (run Jan-Feb)
- request monetary donations from businesses that have not provided sponsorships (many players have parents with small businesses in the area that may donate)

- have players pay for development sessions after Christmas
- hold a spring ball hockey tourney (covid may be better and it can be run outdoors) opportunity to raise funds through registration, sponsors, BBQ, etc.

Can we get an update on sponsorships? Maybe we can all help reach out to those that haven't responded, request a smaller amount even in installments is better than nothing at this point.

Flip-give has raised \$222 to date.

IP Director (Mike Murphy)

Teams and coaches have been notified about ice times over Christmas break. Mite 1 group has received an email about continuing in the program from Jan to March and if they choose to do so \$100 is due. There is a waiting list for children in the mite 1 and 2 program so I will try my best to get them in for the new year.

Skill session. . Brandon Mashinter and Chris Bigras will be running the skills for this Wednesday. Mash Hockey has a waiver to be signed for all participants who have signed up.

Past President (Unfilled)

Unfilled - No Report

8. OUTSTANDING BUSINESS

- Skills Development – Clinics are going well however cost is a factor.
- Skill Competition -Third weekend in February 19-21 Dan is looking for volunteers, how many players will we allow in each division. Use a practice time to determine the participants for each division. And then they meet together in another ice time
 - Medals & Awards – Purchase Gold Silver Bronze
 - Sponsorship – Get Krista looking into awards sponsorship

9. NEW BUSINESS

Nothing to report.

Next meeting

December 22, 2020 at 7pm. Location Zoom Call.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No. 2020-23

Moved by: Adam Moyles

Seconded by: Megan Rochon

That the Board meeting be adjourned at 8:55pm.

CARRIED.