



GIRLS HOCKEY CALGARY BOARD MEETING MINUTES
May 17 2021 @ 18:30

*Attending via Zoom: John MacDonald, Ted Oloriz, Jarid Poissant, Shannon Cleary, Grant Borbridge,
Jason Higgins, Samm Domagala, Jodie Baldwin, Kyle Wanvig, Dale Risling,
Jeaniece Frick, Stu Bridle, Shonn Hilliard, Jacqui Piebiak
Absent: Tanya Mitenko,*

CALL TO ORDER 6:34 PM

1. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Motion to approve April 2021 meeting minutes. Seconded. Carried.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion motioned to approve May 2021 agenda. Seconded. Carried.

3. STANDING REPORTS

A. President Update

- a. Lease Agreement has been presented to GHC. We are able to move into GP last weekend of the month. Can store our equipment in the dressing rooms while storage racking system is being installed. IT is scheduled for set-up.
- b. We contacted several possible companies to install a racking system in our new equipment storage spaced at GP. The ECTAS racking system is built-in, one company visited ECTAS to determine if we can reuse this for GP but it is not possible to move and dismantle. We can offer this built-in for sale to the next ECTAS user. Hope to consolidate all jersey, equipment and goalie equipment for Community at Great Plains. We will hopefully not need a secondary space (i.e. Max Bell).

Motion to approve racking system at Great Plains as presented. Seconded. Carried.

- c. Hockey Calgary update to regulations and boundaries are presented for approval at Hockey Calgary AGM on June 15, 2021.
- d. Reminder, we will not send anyone on the Board emails to buy anything, please disregard any scams.



B. AAA/AA Update

- a. GHC has requested that Calgary host the U18 AAA Provincial tournament next season as that was supposed to happen last season, and then again this year, but both were COVID cancelled.
- b. Four of 5 head coaches will return next season.
- c. Prep & Try-Out Ice booked for ID camps (June 18-20), Prep Camps and Tryouts.
- d. Firestarter Tournament ice booked however HA changed the date of Team AB U18 camp to conflicting date with AAA Firestarter. Will work to fix that with move of AAA tournament date.
- e. Elite Hockey Committee Structure: Hire a part-time person to handle much of the workload currently being handled by volunteers. Grant will work with the new part time person to transition through ID camp, prep camps, tryouts and the Firestarter Tournament the first weekend in October.

C. Operations Update

- a. Evaluation Committee met to discuss changes for next evaluation process, this is an important year so we want to make sure we get everything right.
- b. U11 Pathway will remain in place. U9 will now also have optional Pathway sessions at the time of evaluations.
- c. Currently packing up office for move to GP. We do not need to move office furniture to GP, we will offer office furniture to ECTAS if they want it.

D. Community (Jason Higgins)

- a. **Goalie Update:** Trying to determine our development program and numbers for next year.
- b. **U13 Development Update:** Committee had two meetings, very interesting to hear from everyone's different perspectives.
 - Goals: Want to provide consistency for skills and strengthen our entry point into "Elite", and have more female competition. For next season we will use U13 age division as a trial group.
 - Female-Focused Competition: Hosting all-female tournaments will be important as we move forward. Exhibition games with RMFHL, etc
 - Naming: Consistent with Hockey Alberta
 - Coaching: Non-parent, enrolled for completed Dev 1
 - Cost: Heard from committee that anywhere between \$500-800 is acceptable in this market, depending on the quality of the programs offered.
 - Announcement: Social media campaign, Hockey Calgary, Spring clubs.

*Motion to approve U13 Development Pathway for the 2021-22 season as presented.
Seconded. Carried.*



E. Financial Update

- a. Financial Statements prepared for AGM.
- b. Fees for 2021-21: After determining cost per player was, there is a large discrepancy between what we collect and actual costs. The loss grows per age division due to the cost of ice (for example, our U18 fees are \$1200 and more than \$1000 of that goes to cover ice costs). Comparing our fees to Calgary, (highest, lowest, median, average) we were close to the median, however, we are recommending an increased in fees across the boards to offset the growing shortfall and the anticipated increase in ice costs in the city. We don't need to get to a "zero" shortfall, but we need to increase to address the shortfall. Areas where we have covered some of these losses are Casino funds, prep camps, tournaments, volunteer bonds. Suggest a two-season window to increase the fees, have tied new fees close to the median in Hockey Calgary is for 2021-22.

Motion to approve 2021-22 registration fees as presented. Seconded. Carried.

F. Marketing Update

- a. Website: Will be updating website for 2021-22 Season (Prep Camps, Evaluation Dates, Reference Documents) over the next two months.
- b. Year-End Survey: Update questions for Year-End Survey to reflect COVID-19 changes, request topics for Forum / Q&A. Will be sent before Member forum and AGM and close afterwards.
- c. Member Forum on May 27, 2021: "Hot Topics" from survey, division overviews, etc
- d. AGM on May 31, 2021: Working on AGM Presentation (please send reports)
- e. New Board: Determine Roles and Appoint Executive, create BOD onboarding presentation, review by-laws and mission statement as a group in June 2021.
- f. PWHPA: GHC players crafted beautiful letters to PWHPA Team Scotiabank players for the Secret Dream Gap Canadian Showcase in Calgary (May 24-30, 2021).

G. Administration Update

- a. Elite refunds have been completed.
- b. Working on Financial Year-End and AGM preparation
- c. Office Move to Great Plains, sorting old files that can be shredded, visiting GP to set up new IT system.
- d. HCR is now read-only, can't run any report or player movement. RIS is down now to avoid issues. It will go live on June 1, HC recommends opening registration on July 1.
- e. We have subscription for Microsoft 365, setting up Teams for our next meeting.

H. Retiring Board Recognition



- a. Losing Board Members who spent a lot of time and sweat and effort bringing this hockey association to the position that it is. To all of you thank you so much.

Motion to adjourn May 2021 meeting. Seconded. Carried.

ADJOURNED: 8:10 PM