



HOCKEY CALGARY

**HOCKEY CALGARY FALL GENERAL MEETING
MEETING MINUTES**

October 22, 2014

North East Sports Plex, Upper Deck Lounge

In Attendance: B. Willmore, D. Sharp, C. Joly, S. Makarchuk, R. Chicoyne, K. Kobelka, D. Katz (Lake Bonnavista), T. Carter, G. Schneider, B. Gourley, G. Royer, I. Corkin, C. DeCoursey, P. Douglas, B. Long, J. Cameron, C. Rusynyk (Blackfoot), T. Braun (Bow Valley), M. Lenko (GHC), C. Bell (McKnight), C. McChesnay (Saints), S. Warren (Shaw Meadows), M. Hanak (Simmons Valley), G. Robertson (Trails West)

Regrets: B. Trumble, I. Gunn, J. Koonar, K. Templeton, E.Kuhn, D.Loomer, R.MacLeod

Scrutineer's report attached

Meeting Chair: R. Chicoyne

Recording Secretary: S. Makarchuk

1.0 Meeting called to order by R Chicoyne at 7:00pm

2.0 Scrutineers Report

Quorum (25% of members) in attendance (9 of 22 members or 41%; 365 of 802 votes or 45.5%)

3.0 Welcome and Introductions

Introduction of new board members and guests

4.0 Acceptance of the Agenda

No additions to the agenda

7.3 H AB update – will be dealt with by Kevin

I Gunn not here – D. Katz will present

Motion: It is proposed that the agenda circulated for the October 22, 2014 Fall General Meeting be accepted with the following changes:

- **K.Kobelka will address item 7.3 under 6.2**
- **As I. Gunn sends his regrets, D. Katz from the Finance Committee will present the Treasurer's report on his behalf**

Proposed by: D. Katz

Seconded: Greg Robertson

No discussion, additions, objections, abstentions

Motion **Passed**

5.0 Review of previous meeting minutes

No changes indicated.



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Motion: **It is proposed that the meeting minutes from the June 25, 2014 Annual General Meeting be accepted as written.**

Proposed by: D. Katz Seconded: G. Schneider

No discussion, additions, objections, abstentions

Motion **Passed**

6.0 Officer Reports

6.1 Treasurer Report (submitted, Regrets I. Gunn) – D. Katz

Report reviewed

No questions

6.2 Executive Director Report (submitted)– K. Kobelka

ED report on website but highlights will be presented here

Registration Update

Question: Do we know where the threshold is for amount of ice – ie – is there a point when taking on more kids takes ice away from kids already playing. Hockey Calgary continues to return weekend ice – especially early times. We could play more games on the weekends but there are not enough referees to add these games 3 new facilities in the works (5 new ice surfaces).

Key project Updates

Development (KidzFirst, Drillbook, Prosmart)

Test community house league

First Shift – Bauer Program – 90 kids outfitted and registered

Sports Equipment Bank –

Question: How do we make equipment donations? Equipment donations can be made by calling the equipment bank or going on the website. The biggest challenge for the equipment bank is getting the news out to kids who need to be outfitted.

Hockey Streams

RHC: Continuing to grow, ATB sponsorship continuing

Elite: Season underway, Junior B registration is low and being reviewed, 17-year old traveler policy effective

GHC: moved to 1 Midget AAA team; goalie shortage, 3 initiation teams this year, will host Bantam A provincials in conjunction with CIS nationals

Community: up 17 teams this year, thanks to B. Long for scheduling support, 3 league chairs still needed at the novice level, technology developments continue to help support volunteers

Hockey AB Update

Semi Annual meeting planned for November



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Provincial applications have been sent out and are due by **November 15th**. Please communicate with B. Long/K. Kobelka if you are interested so we don't end up with competing applications. K. Kobelka has joined the Hockey Alberta AA review committee. The purpose is to review the structure of AA hockey across the province. The focus is still in development (not sure if Pee Wee will be included)

Question: What is the idea behind the change? Primarily a rural initiative; want to create draw zones to increase the competitiveness of AA teams from rural areas. Calgary's challenge at the Pee Wee level will be ice availability for 2-hour games. This review likely wouldn't affect much at the Bantam level.

Coaching qualifications

Same requirements as last year except that Checking skills are now required at the Atom level. Deadline is **November 15**.

Hockey Canada Update

Century Tour continues

Questions: Can you comment on the state of Winsport ice availability? Some ice was lost at Winsport and meetings ensued with Hockey Calgary. Winsport criteria is that 75% of prime time ice is to be dedicated to youth sport – not just Hockey Calgary. Balancing their revenue as a business with community needs. Conversations will continue.

No further questions

7.0 Committee Reports

7.1 Game and Conduct – J. Cameron (submitted)

As posted on line

This season, Hockey Alberta has provided clearer guidelines on certain offenses to assist with assessment of number of games for suspensions

Indefinite suspensions are not likely to be less than 4 game suspensions.

If there are questions about process – please call in advance of a hearing

No questions

7.2 Central Zone Referee Committee – C. DeCoursey

As posted on line

If an association is interested in hosting Provincials – don't forget about referees. In such a case, a Referee in Chief will be assigned and supervisors will be arranged. There may well be expenses



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associated with referees for provincial level competitions. Contact C. DeCoursey for further information.

Thank you to B. Long for all her help with scheduling.

Still short referees. It was asked that associations don't limit their referee rosters at the community level as we need all the officials we can maintain. Turnover is 30-40% per year.

Mini-Clinics available if requested by associations

Happy to attend coaches meetings at the community level if requested to discuss officiating

Newly negotiated rates with Hockey Alberta/Hockey Calgary – please review and follow these rates. Outside of Calgary, the fees are different and may be higher than in Calgary.

Issues with hiring officials in Golden as they are very short on referees – better not to travel with officials from Calgary. Consider other locales.

No questions

7.3 **Safety Committee - G. Schneider**

As posted on line

Youth Protection Policy Development – in development at the board level

www.CATTonline.com. Concussion education resource for parents, coaches, trainers, players, & medical professionals. Concussion Response tool provides step by step, real time information at the time of a suspected injury. This information is for educational purposes only and is not meant to take the place of medical evaluation. The directive of “**If in doubt, Sit them Out**” is still the most important advice available to coaches. The tool may be particularly helpful to parents after they take the player with a suspected concussion home and have questions about the need for further medical attention.

No questions

8.0 **Other business**

No other business

9.0 **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned by R. Chicoyne at 8:00 pm