

## Agenda for EHMHA Board of Directors Meeting February 23rd, 2023

Start: 8:30 pm, End: 9:30 pm Location: Virtual Regrets: Chris Hopewell Attendees: Rob Doucette, Chuck Livingston, Aaron Canon, Brett Garden, Chris Baylis, NaDeana Norris, Cathy Spence, Greg Heard

## **Agenda Items**

- 1. Call Meeting to order: 8:31
- 2. Approval of Agenda
- 3. Social Media & Website Development
  - Sackville posted details for the Sports Credit to their membership
  - Motion to allow Events Coordinator to post directly to Association Facebook page. The process will be for any 2 members of the executive to approve a posting prior to it going up.
    - 8 For, 0 Against Motion Carried
- 4. Association Budget & Paid Positions
  - People have been asking about the association budget and where they find it. The budgets are posted on the website.
- 5. Team Levels for 2023-24 Season
  - What are the expected Team Levels?



- We will run U11AA, U13AAA, the rest will be determined by the registration numbers. Hockey NS By-Laws stipulate based on the registration numbers at each age level.
- Our association believes in developing our kids & we will follow hockey NS guidelines.
- 6. Development Ice
  - Overall the attendance was not as good as we would have hoped throughout the season.
  - There was a bigger turnout at the younger age levels vs. the older age levels. U7 was a big success, and we would like to expand that next year.
  - The schedule was a challenge for some age groups due to games, there is no perfect day for development.
  - Development costs us \$30K
  - VP Hockey Operations asked to discuss strategies for next year's development with Development & Evaluation Coordinators and bring back a recommendation prior to the AGM in May
- 7. GrayJay Registration
  - Impressed with the Referee module and how well it has worked to date.
  - Motion to use GrayJay for Season Registration
    - 8 For, 0 Against Motion Carried
  - We could use more training and education around the platform. We will ask our Webmaster to take a bigger role so we can better leverage the platform.
- 8. Referee-in-Chief
  - No complaints from referees with the GrayJay system or change in process for scheduling & payments
  - Some complaints from parents about kids not experienced as referees.
  - By next year, we should attract more experience ref's back.
- 9. Ettinger/Smith Tournament (East Hants Teams)
  - It's mandatory for local teams.



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- We had lot of volunteers who came and helped out with U7 Jamboree. Too many to list.
- Action Item: Events Coordinator to gather details regarding how many kids, teams, associations etc... and send to President
- 10. EH Tax Receipt Form
  - Companies who are sponsoring jerseys are asking for tax receipts
  - The association is not allowed to provide tax receipts because we are not a "non for profit". Our donation letter serves as a receipt and then we would have to give them one from a hand written book. That also goes to tournament sponsors.
- 11. Membership Meeting
  - Membership meeting will be after March break (March 26<sup>th</sup>) at 7pm.
  - Action Item: Secretary to reserve space at the sportsplex and announce to Membership.
- 12. New Business
  - Sportsplex Ice is going to \$250 per hour, it was approved at their AGM. This will have a big impact on our costs for next year.
  - Would like to advertise at membership meeting for a certification clerk next year.
    - This individual will deal with coaching certifications. This year was a big challenge.
  - EHMHA Applied for the First Shift Program (45 kids). We won't hear back until the summer.
  - For the March 50/50 fundraiser, a request from our Fundraising Coordinator for an incentive to promote selling tickets.
  - Motion to provide a free registration to any player who sells over 50 tickets.
    - 8 For, 0 Against Motion Carried
- 13. Adjournment 9:24pm

