



October 2023 Minutes

Meeting start: 7:00pm

Attendees: Darrel Pitman, Jen McCharles, Willie Cowie, Andrew Alkins, Rob Fiddler, Lisa Mason

Absent: Dave Jackowski

1 – All approve the meeting minutes from last meeting

2 – Rep Report:

U9: Teams games will begin shortly. Still no jerseys, some concerns raised by a parent with coach related to a players ice time. Coach and Manager ask to monitor and report back if parent is not following 24 rule.

U10 and 11; Good communication, little to few complaints. Jen to follow up with NOHA about U11A goalies. Teams competitive to date.

U13; Good communication, Teams competitive to date.

U14 and 15; Good communication, Teams competitive to date. Some suspension issues at the U14. Coaches reminded about the Maltreatment Rules and asked to review.

3 – House Report:

U18, draft occurred October 22, 2023. Some parents are not overly pleased with selection. Selection has been done in a fair and equitable manner to ensure all teams are competitive.

One U15 team has voted to purchase a set jersey.

4 – Budget Report:

Registrations are at about 635+ players today which is inline with previous years.

5 – Executive Director

Interview committee recommended to not offer the position based on interview responses. All agreed.

Board further discussed other opportunities to offer the top candidate and agreed that there are some opportunities for them to assist and gain a better understanding of the Association needs.

Action: Andrew to discuss opportunities with the individual and establish a work plan.

6 – Discipline Update

In camera discussion

7 – Analytics

Andrew made a presentation of the value of Association owned cameras that a subscription for analytics. The most applicable camera and software is provided from by Spideeo. Two cameras would cost approximately \$3500.00 and the yearly subscription for data storage, analytics and live streaming is about \$8500.00

The group debated the positives and negatives of this and agreed that if live streaming could be made available to all teams including HL and that we could add advertisement it would be sound investment and would help grow hockey and provide an enhanced coaching tool for NBMH coaches.

Darrell identified that we shouldn't use registrations to pay for this as not all teams would benefit. However, suggested that if we had sponsorship that would be possibly a better avenue to fund the initiative.

Action: Andrew and Rob to review sponsorship revenue and assess if we there is sufficient funding to support this over a three-year period

8 – AAA

Andrew and Scott to continue to discussion and involve others as required.

9 – Challenge Cup

40 teams registered, hotels agreements in place. Agnico will once again be the major sponsor.

Teams will get toques; MVP's will get a hat and a puck.

Action: Darrell to send out volunteer sheet.

10 – House League Select Teams

Andrew updated group that some parents have shown interest in creating a HL select team. All agreed that NBMH would support this as its permitted under the new updated rules from the NOHA.

11- Jersey tenders

Jersey orders have been problematic this season despite best efforts to order jersey sooner and streamlining the ordering process. All member agreed that once the 2023/24 jerseys orders have been completed, the Association would revisit its approach to ordering jerseys.

12 – Roundtable

No business raised.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30pm.

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