



September 2023 Minutes

Meeting start: 7:00pm

Attendees: Darrel Pitman (remote), Jen McCharles, Willie Cowie, Andrew Alkins, Rob Fiddler

Absent: Lisa Mason

1 – All approve the meeting minutes from last meeting

2 – Rep Report:

U9; Evaluation are completed and the two teams are picked. One team elected to go with 13 player roster and the 2nd elected to go with a 12 player roster

U10 and 11; The three teams are set to play in the Gateway Exhibition series this upcoming weekend.

U13; Exhibition games planned for the upcoming weekend.

U14 and 15 good, some player movement, exhibition games planned for the weekend and the U14 will be playing in a tournament in Ottawa.

3 – House Report:

U7 good, still need one coach. Looking like 6 teams with 10-11 players.

Adam Dennis approached Darrell and the Battalion players will participate in practices when available.

U9 good, still need one coach. Looking like 7 teams with 14 players
Dave, created a short team guide for new coaches.

U11 good, still need one coach. Looking like 6 teams with 13-14 players

U13 good, coaching full, Looking like 6 teams with 13-14 players.

U15 good, coaching full. Looking like 4 teams with 13-14 players.

U18 good, undecided until evaluations are done.

Draft to occur September 23rd. Coaching meeting was held September 19, 2023. About 30 officials attended.

4 – Budget Report:

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

5 – Sponsors Update

Difficulty obtaining Agnico gold contact to renew sponsorship for the Challenge Cup. Rob to follow up this week again.

Darrell and Rob will continue to call past sponsors. Today about 75% of the sponsors have returned.

6 – U11 Update

In camera discussion

7 – NOHA Meet the Directors

Very little attendance, NBMH, Verner and St-Charles. Tim Lowe took notes of the questions Rob prepared. Call took about 15 minutes.

8 – Goalies Programing.

NBDHTA have another 30mins of ice that can be attached to the current hour for goalie development. They would like NBMH to extend the program for the full hour and half. All member agreed that we should extend but open it to U11, U13 and U15.

Motion: Andrew, second: Willie, All voted yes

9 – New Arean – Office Space

Give the changes to the design, NBMH will likely loose their office space. When the time comes a new office will be required.

10 – Executive Director

Interviews to scheduled 17th – 18th, 530 PP – Hiring committee consisting of Jen, Tim Lowe and Darrell. Following the interviews, the committee will bring a recommendation the Executive Committee for approval.

11 – U18AA

Very few kids have registered for tryouts (under 12) and no volunteer coach has stepped forward. All members agree that the program should be cancelled for this season.

Action: Andrew to draft email for Association to send to parents and NOHA notifying them of the decision.

12 – Roundtable

Rob: General discussion about Association being more helpful with coaches' requests. We need to be seen as supportive vs. restrictive.

Andrew: Tim Lowe reached and would like to attend an upcoming meeting.

Darrell: Thanked everyone for the dedication and effort.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30pm.