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Acadia Minor Hockey Association

Meeting - Wednesday August 31, 2005
7:00 p.m. Waterbury Newton Office

Present: Lynn Connors
Sheila Bower Jacquard
Laurie Dauphinee
Cam Pogonski
Will Brown
Mike Graves
Larry Rodriques

John Curry
Tina Woodworth
Karen Ward
Mike Dauphinee
Dave Duncan
Paul Murphy

Absent: Reg Rand
Gary MacNutt

David Upton

Arron Ward
Darlen Burns
Mike Graves

1. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Motion by Larry, seconded by Cam the minutes of the meeting of August 21, 2005 are approved.
Motion unanimously carried.

2. Registration Update

Dave D reported that we have a total of 436 players registered not including 57 Quick Starts. Registration numbers not including Quick Starts are anticipated to be in the range of 625-630 players. In Atom we are anticipating 93 players and currently have 71 registered, in girls pee wee we have 11, in pee wee boys we anticipate 100 with 80 registered, in Bantam 21 anticipated with 12 registered, Bantam boys we anticipate 106 with 98 registered, in midget girls we anticipate 17 with 9 registered and in midget boys we anticipate 105 with 63 registered. Because of the anticipated numbers we will be reducing out required ice time for tryouts. Further Dave and Tina will be calling parents in the novice and midget divisions.

3. Player Evaluation Committee

Paul Murphy reported. The schedule for ice time will be finalized with an evaluator dry run scheduled for September 8, 2005 at the Acadia arena. All lead on ice personnel and lead evaluators are in place and the evaluators and on ice staff were being finalized that week. Parent meetings have been scheduled for the week of conditioning camp. An information sheet will be distributed at registration. Referees will be booked for the scrimmages. Lynn commented on the lack of volunteers in the midget division both for on ice coaches and off ice to deal with jerseys. The Atom division was in hand although the need for find an Atom and Midget division

managers in advance of tryouts was expressed.

4. Novice III Team

Dave D reported that there are 20 players who to this point had expressed an interest in playing on this team. These players will not be dealt with in the evaluation process. Mike D will approach Trim Horton for team jerseys in our association colors. If we can obtain them from Tim Hortons we will add a patch to the jerseys with our crest.

5. Female Players

It was noted by Dave that in particular the pee wee girls team was potentially short of players. The question was raised where or not it would be viable to offer a "quick start" program to first year female players to attempt to increase registration numbers. Discussion was tabled until we have the final registration numbers.

6. Bantam Girls Ice Bill

Sheila reported she has heard from dawn Mumford and there is still some dispute concerning the bill. John reported he had reviewed his records and that team had ice on the dates in dispute. John will check if the ice on those dates in dispute was used by another team .

7. KAMHA Motion

A copy of this motion was provided to the Board by Lynn. Dave D reported that the intent of the AMHA was on a go forward basis to request that KAMHA and East Kings MHA equally share any deficit or any surplus arising during the trial amalgamation period. Upon review of the AMHA minutes and the KAMHA minutes it appears that KAMHA was not asked to cover any potential deficit or share in any potential surplus with East Kings for AMHA operations. Dave expressed the concern that hockey operations will stop early in the new year if the funds are not available to pay the outstanding ice bill at Acadia. Further Dave expressed his resistance at approaching the university to forgive the ice bill because it wasn't a good business practice and cited the various benefits our association with their hockey program provides all 3 hockey associations.

Laurie on behalf of the KAMHA board expressed its view that firstly the appropriate channels had not been followed in relation to the financial management of AMHA and in its general operation, and secondly advise that KAMHA was also in a deficit position in and in order for it to access its reserves it required a special resolution at a general meeting, notice of which had to be advertised to the membership and which had to be approved by 75% of those present. Lastly Laurie cited the as a concern of the KAMHA Board the lack of communication between the KAMHA Board and the AMHA Board. Lynn suggested that Dave and John attend at their

earliest convenience a KAMHA Board meeting to address these issues.

Motion by Cam, seconded by Mike. That although AMHA will not at this time approach Acadia University for financial assistance, it will develop fund-raising strategies to cover its deficit and welcomes and suggestions of KAMHA in that regard; and that AMHA will provide to both KAMHA and East Kings a letter outlining the benefits all associations receive from its association with Acadia University.

12 votes in favor, one opposed. Motion carried.

Motion by Laurie Dauphinee, seconded by Sheila Bower Jacquard. That AMHA will formally request that KAMHA and East Kings MHA will share in any operating deficit or surplus equally beginning with the 2005-06 season and each season thereafter on a go forward basis.

12 votes in favor, one opposed. Motion carried.

8. Time Keepers Positions

Laurie reported that Archie will coordinate time keepers for the Kentville Arena. He will be approached to cover as well the Glooscap and Acadia arenas as well.

9. \$50.00 Midget Surcharge

Motion by Sheila , Seconded by Laurie. AMHA will refund the full registration fee including the \$50,00 for insurance unless the player plays one game this season. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion By Lynn seconded by Larry, that the meeting be adjourned at 11:00 p.m. Motion Unanimously carried.