

## WHISTLER MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

(the "Association")

AGENDA FOR A MEETING of the Board of Directors

held online via zoom meeting platform.

7:30 p.m. Pacific

On August 16th, 2021

### Block 1 (5 mins.)

- A. Call to Order at 7:33pm
- B. Quorum and Declaration of Meeting - In Attendance - Louise Tomcheck (LT), Kevin Creery (KC), Janis McKenzie (JMCK), Joanne Molinaro (JM), Erin Marriner (EM), Kevin Sopp (KS), Michelle Gemmill (MG), Dawn Eade (DE), Norma Gonzalez Felix (NGF), regrets Jason Rance (JR), Chris McKinney (CM)
- C. Approval of the minutes from Board Meeting July 28th, 2021 - JMCK & MG
- D. Approval of Agenda - KC & EM

### Block 2 (15 mins.)

- E. President Report - Louise Tomcheck
  - See H, I, L
- F. Treasurer Report - Janis McKenzie
  - Spoke to Wendi Warm/Whistler Real Estate about goalie gear. Should be here for the start of the season. Otherwise no change.
- G. Registration update - Norma Gonzalez Felix
  - Registration at 138

### Block 3 (55 mins.)

- H. Tiering designation-Louise
    - Received notification that WMHA will be moved to Tier 4 based on our numbers. Bears teams excluded from peewee/U13, bantam/U15 and midget/U18 numbers. Tiering based on association size and only impacts your competitive stream/rep, impacts U13 in Provincials - they'd play in a Tier 4 tournament. Only Hope and ourselves. Tier 1 like BMHA may compete with A4, A5, A6 in the same tournament. We can apply for an exemption if we want to, but there appears to be little impact. Unless anyone has a strong feeling to apply for exemption, we can accept what it is. You are playing your season competitively. Board determined Tier 4 designation was not impactful.
  - I. U18 numbers, Bears update, U11/U13 and female teams - Louise
    - U18 - discussed current registration and impact of Bears releases. Potentially 2 C teams. Or league roster & AP players. Need to gauge player commitment.
    - Our Bylaws speak to hockey being a team sport and players having a responsibility and commitment to your team.
    - Chris Green/SMHA let LT know it's typically been 8 games/month, it is now 6 games/month (due to jobs, girl/boyfriends, school, etc.). Could be 3-10 players released back to WMHA from Bears. House could be  $18+3=21$  or  $18+10=28$ .
    - Discussed releasing more committed players to Hollyburn or West Van and when they are holding tryouts. Will communicate same to group.
- U15 - 44 trying out for Bears (SMHA/WMHA combined) 15+1, 12 will be released. Will be an A1 and A2 team.

U13 - lots of releases from rep tryouts.

U11 - 25 with females, 3 of the girls willing to play co-ed. Can finalize ice for house & rep. If we get 3-4 more boys, we can release the girls. Option to bring U9 girls up to join Atom/U11 female.

J. Coaching updates - Jason - LT for JR

- Coaching looks quite good

K. RIC update- Kevin C and Kevin S

- KS has talked to various referees about the position. Is there a job description? Scheduling officials, organizing referee clinics in Whistler, communicating to young referees. Pay is \$1,500.

L. Start up plans - Louise

- Meadow Park - reached out to Roger Wheetman/RMoW, will arrange a meeting with LT, EM & Roger. No health checks required for players per Petra at RMoW. Via Sport is asking that kids over 12, who are not fully vaccinated, should wear masks. Hockey clubs are looking to BC Hockey to create a mandate. Various associations adopting various mandates/guidelines. WMHA can make our own rules - follow guidelines.
- Fall Camp - September 7-10 schedule is firm, will send to Petra this week, the ice sessions are required for Atom/U11 tryout players. Fees are \$75/U9, \$100/all others. Norma will release the google sheet as soon as details are finalized. Deadline September 1 or 2.
- Tryouts - Bears schedule will be released soon. U11/U13 to be held September 11/12.
- PCAHA update - see notes above.
- Atom/U11 tryout requirements - must attend Fall Camp to be eligible for rep tryouts.

#### **Block 4 (10 mins.)**

M. Other Business - Louise

- 2nd ice sheet info - Seems all user groups are on board/in support. Only chance we have is to make it an election issue. The refrigeration unit has capacity for two ice sheets. Was built to accommodate two ice sheets. Suggest looking at the birth rate to see if we can sustain these numbers.
- Ice schedule anticipated to be released August 20th

Next meeting: August 30, 2021 7:30pm

Meeting adjourned at 9:02pm