



**JDF Executive Meeting
August 20, 2024 In-Person**

Attendance:

Harold Bloomenthal	Present	John Turcotte	Present
Jared Steingard	Present	Karalee Reade	Present
Ian Taylor	Present	Darren Jarvie	Present
Sheryl Williamson	Present	Dennis Frenette	Present
Janine Hughes	Present	Justin Simmons	Present
Brian Kowalko	Present	Sarah Hannay	Present
Galen Brewer	Present	Jaclyn Lambourne	Present
Corrina Taylor	Absent	Bonnie Osborne	Present
Jeff Eves	Present	Jordan Taylor	Absent
Trevor Won	Present	Laurie Anderson	Present
Ashley Johnson	Absent	Jen Glassel	Present
Kyle Granger	Present	Tom Coyle	Present
		Matt Erickson	Present

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by Harold at 7:01pm

Established a Quorum

Adoption of previous minutes

Motion to adopt previous minutes from June 18, 2024 – motioned by Bonnie, seconded by Karalee

To adopt minutes of the previous meeting – ALL

CARRIED

Old Business:

- N/A

New Business:

- Sportsmanship points in recreation hockey leagues

Motion to adopt agenda as presented – motioned by Justin seconded by Kyle

All in favor - ALL -

CARRIED

Old Business – N/A

Financial report – Trevor

- Gaming grant has been received.
- Moved from Sage to Quickbooks.
- Financial statement provided:
 - Expenses exceeded revenues by \$48K last year. Our expenses were on budget; however, we were short the planned additional revenues from the Gaming Grant and sponsorships.
 - We implemented a fairly good increase to registration fees for the 2022/23 season. It was decided to keep the fees the same for the 2023/24 season with the expectation that we could get additional \$25K in Gaming Grants.
 - For the 2024/25 season, we increased our registration fees to reflect the additional costs.
 - Assessment costs include ice costs, referee costs, and assessor costs to reflect the total costs of assessments. The goal is to have tryout fees equal assessment costs. As a result, some ice costs were allocated to assessment costs that have traditionally been allocated to the ice costs expense line. VIAHA regulation to charge and assessment fee.
 - Referee costs were higher this year as there was a "catch up" payment from the prior period.
 - Included in equipment costs, the purchase of the boards located at the Q Centre. Cost of the boards was approximately \$12K.

Web site – Darren

- Website up and running and still needs assistance with page updates from executive.
- Finalizing schedule works integration with RAMP and will be meeting with President and chief developer.
- Team app for RAMP released this week and training documentation for app will be coming.
- Donated old tablets to single parent resource centre
- New tablets arrived and waiting to finish managers manual to load on the tablets.

Committee Reports

President – Harold

- New presidents have been elected in VIAHA: south presidents have had meetings to get to know each other.
- Table officer meeting was held to review portfolios and how prepared the team was for the start of the season.
- Zone players will go through our tryouts and the top players will remain; other must be released to home association after Labour Day
- VIAHA new administrator hired (full-time) – Brad Slade
 - o duties will include previous administrator's tasks plus scheduling.

Registrar – Ashley (absent; report provided by email)

- The inbox has been quiet besides the registration emails that I forwarded to Office. I have sent out all the RIS emails.

Head Referee/Ref Allocator – Galen; Tom Coyle

- Camp begins August 28th with 44 registrants.
- Clinics – BC Hockey goes with a super clinic model, trialing this year on the Island (cost savings for associations). 3 clinics: Sept 14 Camosun, November 9th at UVic and in December and last chance clinic in December.
 - o Notice was sent out to officials about the clinics

- RICs have expressed concern about clinic dates and times to BC Hockey
- Galen will push for a local clinic if JDF refs can't get into Sept 14th sessions.
- 90+ returning officials plus close to 20-30 new officials.
- Officials who worked non-sanction leagues can work in minor hockey (8 returning previous JDF refs)
- RAMP – all assessments game times are in and slots filled – working well
- Refs will be responsible for entering their own names into the game sheet and no email will be sent to managers ahead of time.

Ice Coordinator/Ice Committee – Jaclyn

- Ice all entered for the season and first week of September allocated.
- Ian will send Jaclyn with revised ice contract for West Hills

Gaming – Jen

- Gaming grant received.
- Has new policy changes and forms to publish on website – what is published should be compliant with BC hockey changes.
- Will send a revised policy to Trevor Jared and Harold to sign off on and the get on website.

Tournaments – Corrina and Jordan (absent, report provided by email)

- **JDF Rep teams** have been registered or we have enquired about several tournaments for them to travel to.
- All our JDFMHA host tourneys are posted on the BC Hockey and VIAHA tourney listings site and have rec'd several teams wanting to register. All teams that have sent interest have rec'd response communication and will wait for final registration and payment. I have secured reciprocal spaces with Nanaimo & Campbell River for JDF teams to register if needed as a swap to attend ours. I will also approach Port Alberni, Comox and Cowichan to try and arrange similar to allow all of our JDF REC teams a chance to participate.
- JDF HOST TOURNEYS
 - **NOT** including out JDF teams yet we have:
 - U13 October - 6 teams
 - U13 Rep November - 7 teams
 - U9 December - 4 teams
 - U18 Rec - 4 teams
 - U11 Rec December - 5 teams
 - U11 Rep February - 1 team
 - U15/U21 March Debbie Cooper - U15 - 4 teams & U21 - 1 team
 - U7 March - 0 so far
- Hotels - Host hotels for JDFMHA
 - **All** Host Hotels will provide tournament auction items and 10% proceeds back to JDFMHA
 - **Four Points Sheraton**
 - **Holiday Inn (Colwood/Elk Lake and Future Langford location)**
 - **Accent / Zed Hotels**
- I have met with a few businesses to get them on board with JDF Hosted Tourneys, a few are:
 - Old Dutch

- City Centre
 - Royals
 - Lionheart Awards
- Deanna and myself are attending the Sport Assist Golf Tournament this Friday and presenting them with a 10K cheque for 2024 donation from JDFMHA. This amount will bring JDFMHA over 160K donated to date.
 - October Thanksgiving Tournament: Planning has begun. I believe we are full and waiting for the total JDF U13 rec teams we will have. Bonnie has sent an email out to U13 parents looking for volunteers and to no surprise NOTHING back as of yet but another will go out shortly. I may send Jordan out to the U13 recreation back to ice to corner some parents lol

Sponsorship – Kyle

- Put together scripts to reach out to potential donors.
- Created a targeted list.
- Email out to parents - seek out employers who have budgets for kids sports
- Meeting will occur with Kyle, Harold, and Jared – how to move forward and action develop an action plan.

Equipment Manager – John T

- Pinnies organized for assessments.
- U13 pinnies are missing – if pinnies are not returned then a fee will be charged.
 - Sheryl will prepare an email for div managers to send re pinnies and returning following assessments. If not returned a fee will be charged

Head Coach – Brian

- Assessments begin August 21st and ready things are ready to go.
- Large numbers of goalies in U13 (13 goalies and 5 will be released right away)
- Still late registrations and withdrawals for assessments

Registration #'s as of August 20, 2024

Age Division	Rec Skaters	Rec Goalies	Dev/Rep Skaters	Dev/Rec Goalies	Total Skaters	Total Goalies	Waitlist	Zone
U6	26	N/A	N/A	N/A	26	N/A	1	N/A
U7	51	N/A	N/A	N/A	51	N/A	1	N/A
U8	64	N/A	N/A	N/A	64	N/A	0	N/A
U9	72	N/A	N/A	N/A	72	N/A	2	N/A
U11	63	4	53	5	116	9	4	N/A
U13	41	3	58	13	99	16	5	10 skaters
U15	31	2	40	5	71	7	1	4 skaters; 2 goalies

U18	46	2	47	9	93	11	4 skaters	3 skaters
U21	31	4	N/A	N/A	31	4	6 skaters	N/A

- Harold and Darren will be meeting with the other associations regarding sharing players across association so all have a place to play at the U21 level.
- U11 Development ice has been scheduled
- Jaclyn working on September ice for back to the ice sessions
- Aim to have rec teams formed by third week in September then turn focus to younger age divisions
- will send Tom U11 game schedule so refs can be assigned
- goalie parents are concerned with number of goalies in the U13 age division and if their player will have a place to play – Brian will have a plan in place
- recreational hockey – traction on a program to develop a program so there is consistency across associations for U6 to U9 hockey – consistent team formation; game play; referee role
- U9 – game play format as of December 15th for full ice
- Div managers should send out information regarding where to find assessment information to rep tryout families
- Players who are moving forward in competitive stream – families will be provided with an expectation agreement together (this will cover lack of commitment issues that have occurred in the past).

Risk Management – Sarah

- 250 players have been assigned to groups and divisional managers have accepted invite to access players for assessments.
- All players from Sooke and Kerry park contact info in place for assessments
- Need to assign safety's for assessments – Divisional managers will pull together and email to families for volunteers to serve as a safety. Interested families to email Brian.

VP Admin – Jared

- Pic day October 20th
- Insurance renewed.
- Working through policy review

VP Operations – Ian

- Naden acknowledged ice – given evening ice on Friday and morning ice on Sundays. Asked to swap out late night Friday ice for usable ice from younger players.
- Signage for arenas regarding behaviour to referees.
- Table – attendance of Registrar (missed three meetings in a row)
 - o Accountability of board to attend and participation.
 - o Ian will phone Registrar and discuss attendance.

Social media – Laurie

- Will be posting re. back to ice
- Ian will send Laurie photos re cheque donation with SportAssist
- Has a schedule for the fall.
- Galen and Tom to send ref camp pictures
- List of content:
 - o Coach spotlight
 - o Ref calls

- Hockey slang
- Ref spotlight
- Mel-Fit – dryland bio to introduce.
- All sponsors can put business info on JDF social media channels.

Head Manager & Divisional Manager reports

Head Manager – Sheryl

- Started to create a managers list from past directories
 - Will connect with Janine re their qualifications
 - Sheryl to share list with Brian
- Manager meeting will be early October for U11 and up; later in October for U9 and under
 - Will include information on social media in meeting
- BC Hockey program:
 - New to being a goalie program through NHLPA can be easy to book. Sheryl will investigate
 - Target U9 to U11 age divisions

Age Division reports – nothing to report

U7 Dennis – intro email sent out to families re. season start

U9 Karalee – same as Dennis

U11 Justin – getting team placement requests

U13 Bonnie -

U15 Jeff – ready to go

U18 Matt – ready to go with the help of Jeff and Sheryl

U21 Darren – all ready to go; will speak with Brian re. team division, second coach and manager

Correspondence – no updates

New Business

Sportsmanship points in Rec hockey leagues (regulation 16, Jim Humphries)

- Sportsmanship point introduced to entice more cooperation from recreation players
- Complaints
 - Points don't make a difference for players
 - Singles out the players who continue to receive penalties
 - Inconsistencies with referees on penalty calls
- If a team or player is receiving lots of penalties, the MHA president to have a discussion to see what is happening.
- Regulation 16 – pilot project way out for the season otherwise would need to wait until AGM to remove.
 - Several associations would like reg 16 removed for the season; presidents will review penalties and help to see if they can assist
- Board's thoughts:
 - Sheryl – shouldn't it be across the board – rep and rec
 - Darren valuable tool for the coach “every point counts” to keep calm heads. Used to motivate players
 - Have a proactive approach
 - Sarah – having the point available is not a deciding factor for a player's behaviour

- Galen not in support
- Jared – a complimentary policy if it is removed. Sheryl, there is already an education piece in place for major penalties
- Dennis – agrees with taking away because of skill variance – i.e. a player that is new that can't skate and gets checking penalties
- Brian – teams taking high # of penalties need to be worked with by VIAHA managing directors/commissionaires
- Galen – how big of a problem is it? Varies from year to year and sportsmanship points are not working
- Kyle – incentive programs don't work for adults so why would it work for children
- Informal vote:
 - Motion – one year basis to remove – in favor remove – 1 against; rest in favor

Meeting Adjourned at 9:16pm – motioned by Sarah– second by Jeff

Next meeting will be Septe 24, 2024 at 7:00pm location Lower Club House