## HOCKEY) ALBERTA

## JUNIOR B/C COUNCIL MEETING

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ATTENDANCE: R. Dyck, S. Pattison, B. Moon, P. Cavanagh, M. Tinstad, D. Pollard, S. Olson, J. Cheetham, B. Lenz, F. McEvoy, F. Christiansen, J. Craig, B. Melville, A. Odynski, B. Masters, C. Polanski, B. Polanski, R. Litviak, P. Hall, L. Corbett, J. McAuley, G. Tanner, Pick. Peterson, Z. Loga, J. Lockhart, G. Wournell, D. Edwards, H. Pomreinke, K. Ross, G. Renaub, J. Lenting, E. Barr, J. Baron, T. Malmas, K. Newcombe, B. Nakonechy, J. Corse, G. Metez, D. Mrochuk, G. Soroka, J. Ablets, D. Smith, A. Rawlake, C. Reid, T. Engen (Chair)

**HOCKEY ALBERTA**: M. Skilnick

**RECORDING SECRETARY:** C.Leinweber

- AGENDA-

1.0 Call to Order

T. Engen

- Meeting was called to order at 2:34 PM.
- 1.1 Introductions

T. Engen

- T. Engen asked everyone to introduce themselves and the team and/or league they were representing.
- 1.2 Review of voting procedures

C. Reid

• C. Reid went over voting procedures.
Roll Call of Delegates recorded as introductions were made.

2.0 Agenda

T. Engen

- 2.1 Additions/Deletions
  - None
- 2.2 Approval of Agenda

Moved By: G. Soroka

Seconded By: A. Rawlake

To approve Agenda as presented.

CARRIED

#### 3.0 Minutes of Junior B/C Council Meeting – 2011 AGM

T. Engen

- 3.1 Errors or Omissions
  - None
- 3.2 Approval

Moved By: D. Mrochuk

Seconded By: G. Soroka

To approve the 2011 minutes as presented.

**CARRIED** 

- 3.3 Business Arising from Minutes
  - None

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#### 4.0 Junior B/C Council Chair Report

T. Engen

- Concerns of the time of the AGM were once again brought up. It was brought up that the Council meeting would be better received in the morning.
- T. Engen highlighted his report.
- The game has been cleaned up immensely.
- 2 new teams next year in the Northwest League; Slave Lake and Fairview.

#### 5.0 Hockey Alberta Notices of Motion

T. Engen

5.1 Notice of Motion #1: Bylaws

Moved By: T. Malas

Seconded By: R. Patterson

To approve the new Bylaws as presented.

**CARRIED** 

#### 6.0 Election of Chairperson

C. Reid

 C. Reid acclaimed T. Engen as Chair for Junior B/C Council for the 2012-2013 season.

#### 7.0 New Business

7.1 League President Reports

**Presidents** 

- a) Calgary
  - Calgary had a great year. Saddened by B. Eacrett leaving Calgary Junior Hockey League.
  - There are a couple of planning sessions planned, investigating Recommendations, Changing Branding and Participation and Exhibition.
  - Looking forward to everything becoming a reality.
- b) Heritage
  - Thank you to Okotoks for hosting the provincials.
  - Last year the parity in the league was great, any team could win any game.
     Great for the league.
  - This upcoming season will run identical to last years, 14 team, 38 game schedule.
- c) Capital
  - It was a pretty successful year.
  - The standings were very close at the top of the league.
  - There were no major problems, just the normal headaches.
  - The league will continue next season with 14 teams, 38 game schedule.
- d) Northwest
  - Excellent year.
  - Congratulations to the Whitecourt Wolverines for placing 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Keystone Cup.
  - Slave Lake will be back this upcoming season after some time off, Fairview will also join the league.
  - Looking forward to hosting the 2014 Provincials.
- e) Northeast

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- Congratulations to Cold Lake for defending the league championship successfully.
- Very excited and proud to host the provincials in Wainwright in 2013.
- Next season will have 9 teams, 32 game schedule.
- f) Noralta Jr. C
  - There were 14 teams in the league, the same team won the league and Provincials.
  - The league monitors penalty minutes throughout the season. The average was between 16-28 minutes. 27 players had over 60mins, 9 players had over 90 minutes, and 117mins was the highest total.
- 7.2 Junior B Provincials
  - a) 2012 Report Okotoks
    - Okotoks showed a sense of real gamesmanship. They did us proud as a province.
    - The bar has been set extremely high for communities hosting Provincials in the future. Each host site will have difficulty meeting the standards Okotoks set.
    - There was live radio coverage throughout the tournament.
    - Okotoks would host again in a heartbeat.
    - They did however find it was tough finding sponsors as they were competing with a Junior A team in the same city.
  - b) 2013 Provincials Wainwright (Apr. 4-7)
    - They are actively moving forward in the planning of this event.
    - In the midst of putting together Sponsorship Packages
    - Wainwright has three new hotels, they also already have committed booking for this tournament.
    - It was noted that Calgary would like to be back in the rotation for Provincials.
- 7.3 Junior C Provincials
  - a) 2012 Report Noralta
    - They would like to thank Hockey Alberta for there representation at the event.
    - Sherwood Park was the host team and did a tremendous job.
    - There was good turnout and good hockey. They are looking forward to next vear.
  - b) 2013 Calgary Location TBD

7.4 2013 Western Jr. B Championships – St. Malo, MB (Apr. 18-21) **T. Engen** 

- T. Engen noted that this is not a Hockey Canada event and he stressed this point.
- In regards to the Keystone Cup with Northern Ontario in rotation are we in or out?
   Discussion It is important to still have a Western Junior B championship. There was concern over Logistics and a tremendous financial concern with Northern Ontario in the rotation. One suggested that it should be a Manitoba west championship. It was brought up that the timing of the event is a concern. Our leagues are considered a post-secondary/working man's league so missing the extra time to travel to this event may cause problems.
- From a NE standpoint they would like to see the Provincials be the pinnacle and that they Westerns be gone.

Moved By: G. Soroka Seconded By: A Rawlake



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The Alberta Provincial Champion will not participate at the Keystone Cup if Northern Ontario continues to host at Western's after the 2013 season.

#### Carried

7.5 Hockey Canada AGM Update

T. Engen

- Reported on the potential of a Canadian Junior B Championship. Committee has been activated and will report back to the Council at the semi-annual meeting.
- 7.6 Hockey Alberta Officials Update

D. Pollard

- There will continue to be an emphasis on the new Head Contact Rule
   They will continue the traveling of 1 crew of referees for the Provincial Tournament.
- 7.7 Release of Minors

M. Skilnick

- Current Regulation: Players registered on Junior A teams will not be allowed to release players after Nov. 1
- Proposed Regulation: Midget Aged Players in Junior Hockey will not be allowed to be released after Nov. 1. This was approved at the Board meeting in April.
- 7.8 Inter-Branch Transfers

T. Engen

- Clubs going to the Provincial Tournament will only be able to list max 5 affiliates.
- There will be zero tolerance in Alberta for money being exchanged for players. A
  question was asked and T. Engen made it very clear that if a team from BC is
  requesting money for a player that the matter be brought to him and he will deal
  with BC directly.

#### 8.0 Adjournment

T. Engen

Moved By: A. Rawlake Seconded By:

To adjourn the meeting.

Carried

Meeting was adjourned at 4:17p.m.