

Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting on Monday March 4th, 2024

Call to Order: 7:16 pm

<u>Present:</u> Bob Boddam, Brent McCauley, Chris Lowe, Ron Evans, Jodi Phair, Keith Slinger, Kelly Pereira, Matt Bowman, Glenn McClelland (via Zoom), Jason Fancett (via Zoom), Clint Nickerson (via Zoom), Keivan Campbell (via Zoom)

Absent: Dan Teat, Wes Jackson, Rick Garcia

Approval of Agenda:

Motion to adopt the agenda.

Motion: Brent Second: Chris CARRIED

Approval of Minutes:

- Wrong financials were included. Matt will change.

Motion to approve the previous meeting's minutes as amended.

Motion: Jodi Second: Bob CARRIED

President's Remarks:

- Glenn is sick and joining us via Zoom, Keith will act as chair.
- No remarks to make at this time.
- Meeting starting late due to city not unlocking the door.

Team Reports:

Major:

- Contacting players to see who will be returning.
- Season is down to 12 game schedule, all teams will make playoffs.
- League has a lot to work out in the next year, aiming to even the playing field and make more players available.
- Schedule is complete.
- Concerned about financials. Has shared concerns with fundraising committee. We do not want to sell any players this year to pay bills.

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- There will be more bus trips, significant cost.
- Players are in talks with PLL, but nothing confirmed yet allowing players to play in both leagues.
- Need new better quality jerseys.
- Not enough Sr. B teams to affiliate.
- Only six games minimum for players this year.
- Looking for third coach as Kevin has joined the Jr. A staff.
- Two training camps scheduled in May and practices booked.

Jr. A:

- Busses have been booked.
- Working on some sponsors.
- Some teams have started running combined practices with other centres, apparently not going well.

Jr. B:

- Three runs so far, but disappointing attendance. Last one did get better, expecting more guys at the next one.
- Eight goalies competing for spots.
- Many players still have hockey and school conflicts.
- Want the intermediates to come out as well so they can be seen and considered as APs.
- Exhibition games scheduled for March 30th and April 10th at home, in Halton Hills on April 14th.
- Season starts April 28th.
- Alumni game will be held prior to the home opener.
- Working on sponsors, have a couple already committed.

Field:

- Schedule is set to run between September 8th and October 27th.
- No new teams joining this year.
- Good conversation at SAGM.
- Teams must all be ONCA compliant by the start of the season.

Treasurer's Report:

 Can be difficult preparing report for first Monday of the month. Could they be held on the second Monday?

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- Matt is fairly sure the scheduling lies solely with President, but will double check the Governing Documents. Glenn agrees second Monday is fine.
- GMs discuss clarification for how to categorize some expenses.
- Report and budget to be distributed as separate document due to formatting.

Motion to accept the Treasurer's report.

Motion: Matt Second: Jodi CARRIED

Committees:

Fundraising:

- Only a couple sponsors have committed so far, but Jeff and John have had good discussions with quite a few, expecting them to confirm.
- Started working on 2024 program content. Expecting significantly more sponsors in it than last year.
- Kelly has taken up the merchandising aspect. Looking to find a supplier who can do online order, while also providing some stock to have available at games.
- Matt clarifies that the committee will oversee merchandising for the entire club. There is no need for each team to try and supply their own merchandise and compete with each other for sales.
- Ron, and Glenn if he is better, will meet with the city on Wednesday to discuss major funding.
- Clint will reach out to some contacts.
- Matt emphasizes that the committee will be doing the heavy lifting, but we still need to rely on everyone to help out. Any friends or family with business should be reached out to. Every sponsors counts.

Golf:

- Kelly will work on organizing the tournament.
- We need to find a lower cost venue so we can reduce ticket price while also having a larger profit margin.

New Business:

- Matt notes that the new Governing Documents were made to comply with ONCA, but new articles of incorporation may have to be filed. Will look further into this. Chris notes the BMLA is currently going through this process.
- Something should be done this year in honour of Dean.
- There are a number of option jersey patch, ceremony before a game, ect...

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- Jr. A's will be dedicating one jersey in his honour.

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn.

Motion: Matt Second: Bob CARRIED

- Meeting adjourned at 8:33 pm.

Next meeting scheduled for Monday, April 8th 2024.