



Springfield Minor Hockey Association
Aug. 18, 2026, 7:30PM OBCC

Present: Joanne Jefferys, Courtney Lechman, Mathew Bannerman, Ryan McDonald, Brittany Abraham, Laurie Turnbull, Jen Tholenaer, Tiffany Kirton, Danielle Taylor, Jason Teerhuis, Kevin Maslechko

Absent: Aymsley Bishop-Mahon, Dustin Dent, Mark Dyck, Lindsay Smith, Tyler Seman

Called to order at 7:37 pm

Additions to the Agenda:

EXECUTIVE REPORTS	REPORT	ACTION
President's Report – Mat Bannerman	Dustin is stepping down, Time Keeper Scheduler position will need to be posted. Volunteer recognition- would like to offer gift cards from local businesses to those who go above and beyond. Eastman U13AA and U15AA to play with Hockey Winnipeg in a Provincial wide league for the 26/27 season.	Courtney- motion to purchase \$20 gift cards with a max season budget of \$300. Mat second. Unanimously passed.
Comments by others:		

V.P Business Operations Joanne Jefferys	442 SMHA registrants so far. CAR no longer required. CRC VSC mandatory for all bench staff. New process - coaches need to register in HCR/Spordle. There is a CRC disclosure form, any criminal record or other sanctions in ANY sport must be disclosed. If the answer is yes, it is brought to a committee and they cannot participate until cleared by Hockey MB. Right now turnaround time for the committee is unknown. If they answer no but the checks come back as yes, they are not allowed to coach, no exceptions. This process is not yet turned on in HCR. Process is outlined on the website, questions can be directed to Joanne. Checks are due Dec. 1. As long as they can verify their checks have been put in before Dec.1 and have their coaching certifications, they can be rostered. If checks are not in by Dec.1 they cannot coach. This is part of the Sport MB Youth Protection Act.	
Comments by others:		
V.P. Hockey Operations Courtney Lechman	Evaluations- convenors to attend. The same pinnies as last year will be used. Volunteers needed to run the gates during scrimmages, do not attend your own kid's age group. Coach Selection Committee- Courtney, Mat, and convenors to pick coaches once evaluations are done. Coaches meetings will have 2 meeting times- one for Hockey MB teams and one for Eastman teams. Head coach attendance is mandatory as things are changing and becoming more scrutinized.	Courtney- motion to cover cost of small slushies for U9s. Tif second. Unanimously passed.
Comments by others: Last year U9s were given a coupon for a slushie after their first evals.		
Intro, U7 Convenor Mark Dyck		
Comments by others:		
U9, U11 Convenor Brittany Abraham	76 kids as of now are registered for U9, an increase from previous years. Teams may be big, or could have enough for an extra team.	
Comments by others: Not enough ice for an extra team.		
U13, U15, U18 Convenor Jason Teerhuis	Currently 2 kids registered for U15 non hitting. Will contact Eastman to see if any other clubs are hosting a non hitting team to suggest to those interested. Tryouts - no open ice hitting but contact allowed along the boards.	
Comments by others:		
Female Hockey Director Laurie Turnbull	Thank you to volunteers, board members, Neoma from OBCC, and sponsors who helped make the Tabin event a success. Kati signed a throwback jersey to be put up at the rink, a stick, plus signed pics for all female SMHA registrants. \$150 of SMHA money was spent, the rest was from sponsors. Stonewall hockey day- Stonewall received grant money and reached out to host SMHA female U7-U15 teams for games on Oct. 17. Potential for a developmental day as well as the games.	
Comments by others: Consider asking girls registered in co-ed to dual roster if numbers are needed on female teams. Numbers will be looked at once registration closes to see what we are working with.		
Ice Scheduler		

Tiffany Kirton		
Comments by others:		
Referee in Chief Kevin Maslechko	Will hold a meeting in late Sept./early Oct. for officials under 16 and their parents. A lot of confusion over the winter, this will help alleviate that. Set expectations and answer questions.	Email will be sent to registered refs re meeting. Laurie to send to the high school.
Comments by others:		
Timekeeping Scheduler Dustin Dent		
Comments by others:		
Development Coordinator Ryan McDonald	5 so far signed up for female try hockey day in Oakbank. More are expected as the date gets closer.	Info will be shared with elementary schools.
Comments by others:		
Tournament Coordinator Lindsey Smith		
Comments by others:		
Treasurer's Report – Tyler Seman		
Comments by others:		
Equipment Director Danielle Taylor	Jersey mockups to be done and voted on late this week. Roughly 50k to redo all jerseys for U9-U18. U7 to continue with Timbits jerseys. U11 will also get McDonald's jerseys as they are already here. New sets- jerseys and pants to be returned, socks to be kept by players. Potential sponsors for U9 jerseys. To replace current jerseys is \$75 each, these are \$99 for 2 jerseys, shorts, and 2 pairs of socks. Could reach out to community for sponsorship.	Danielle- motion to redo all jerseys for a cost of approx 50k. Joanne second. Unanimously passed.
Comments by Others: 50k is a lot but we have money in the bank and as a non profit we need to put back into the org. Used to carry 40-50k in case rinks need to borrow. RM is responsible for funding, cushion for rinks was meant as a startup not to sustain. Tif to request finances from both rinks. Concern over those who would be left out and how it looks if only certain age groups were to get new jerseys and others were not.		

Secretary Jen Tholenaer	Lift no longer an option for meetings and room at OBCC is often booked. New possible locations Dugald CC, Cooks Creek CC, Grey Wolf. Quote obtained for new Volunteer of the Year/Coach of the Year plaques, as well as a few new nameplates missing from the old ones.	Jen-motion to spend approx \$400 on new plaques/nameplates. Jay second. Unanimously passed.
Comments by others: Rotate in person meeting locations between options.		
NEW BUSINESS		
OLD BUSINESS	Bylaws will be revisited.	Jen to look for Google Doc on bylaws.

Tif motion to adjourn, Jen second. Meeting adjourned at 9:27 PM.

Next meeting Sept. 17.