



MPHA EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES – October 30, 2023

Meeting called at 6:30pm

Attendees: Tamey Assinewai, Scot Hughson, Marcie Hughson, Tina Bourcier, Ashley Taylor, Krista MacNeil, Roxanne Romaniuk, Scott Stephens, Kennedy Lanktree, Ryan Corbiere, Jennifer Lalonde

Topics covered

1. Ryan gave U13 Team update

With the majority of our U13 team being new to rep hockey, the coaching staff had to alter their expectations and start with practicing the basics, such as positioning, shooting etc. They are grateful for the support they have received from both Scot Hughson and Scott Stephens. The team attended the Porcupine Ice Breaker tournament last weekend and won their 1st game and struggled with 2 others. Ryan was impressed with how the team came together and how they applied the skills they had learned in tournament play. He has seen a big improvement over the past couple of months, with this new young group, and hopes to re-evaluate closer to Christmas. No issues with attendance, or behavior and communication has been great. The team has 2 tournaments booked, Temiskaming and Sault Ste Marie. They play their 1st regular season game next Sunday.

2. Scott gave U15 Team update

Two exhibition games were played at the beginning of the season with the U15s winning the second one 4-2. The team also played in the Porcupine Ice Breaker tournament this past weekend, winning 1 of their 4 games. U15s had the lowest penalty minutes but lots of good clean hits at the tournament. Unfortunately, 3 of the players suffered injuries and were not able to play all the games. Overall, it was a great weekend, parents and kids all got along. The 1st season game is scheduled for this upcoming Wednesday. There haven't been any issues with attendance or communication.

3. Kennedy gave U18 Team update

U18's are a new team, which can be challenging, but overall the season has been pretty good. Kennedy has seen a big improvement from Orillia to now. The team is really starting to mesh. The U18's had a tournament in Kapuskasing last weekend with 1 win, 2 ties and 1 loss. They also have a super weekend in Timmins, a tournament in Sudbury and 1 in Collingwood coming up. Kennedy would like to see Brent come and do some power skating work with the girls. There have been some issues with absenteeism and communication which Kennedy is working on correcting. The team has set a goal to make Provincials this season.



4. Jenn gave an update on referees

Horizon has been a challenge to navigate, and Jenn has created a spread sheet with details on referees, their credentials, and availabilities to make it easier. She is grateful for Kate's help and knowledge that she was able to pass on. The league did not input the games and Jenn had to input them manually, which was cumbersome. We all appreciate Jenn taking on this important roll.

5. Approval of minutes from last meeting – Ashley motioned, Scot seconded all in favour

6. Review of business conducted via email

- U15 was approved to start a Flip Give account for team fundraising,
- Kennedy requested the use of the Lady Panthers logo for fundraiser prize items at their golf tournament. All were in favour
- U13's request for exhibition game ice in Espanola was approved.
- U13's discussed adding Janet to the roster as an on-ice helper – Tamey to follow up.

7. Email voting protocol – voting result must be unanimous to pass via email, otherwise a second vote must be done in person. Krista will create a clear and concise policy outlining the email voting procedure.

8. MPHA Policy update and shower policy – Both policies are to be tabled until we can gather more information. Shower policy can continue as is for now

9. 50/50 – Tamey will provide Roxanne with a finalized schedule, which she can use to apply for the 50/50 license

10. U13 Convenor roll – Tamey will take over this position for the season

11. Coach Certifications – a few minor additions for a couple of coaches but everyone was approved.

12. OHF dressing room update – changes may be coming. 2 deep policy is still in effect. Tamey will send out a reminder to coaching staff

13. Not for profit corporation update – Tamey will forward information she gathered from the presentation. It's been suggested that a lawyer/ accountant be involved during the process of incorporating. We will look into a possibly receiving a partial donation of services to complete the process. Deadline is October 18th 2024.

14. Code of Conducts for parents/ coaches/players are to be scanned over or forwarded to Tamey to keep on file.

15. TOC's – Hosting of U15 B/C have been awarded to MPHA for March 2024. Krista, Roxanne and Scot have volunteered to sit on a subcommittee to prepare for the tournament.

16. NOHA League update – Schedules have been challenging but are out. Regular season games have started,



17. NOWHL league update – The Northern loop has not been giving much this year. The team has only had 2 league games so far this season. Hearst and Kapuskasing have backed out of the planned Super Weekend. Next year Central North Division might be a better choice.

18. Team Pictures - people have been inquiring about team pictures. We will look into different options and photographers.

19. Team Schedules – Team managers are to update the web site with their schedules for the season. This will help Reid with staffing for our home games.

20. Online apparel store – Marcie has been in contact with the supplier. Teams can put in orders manually and leave the online store for more generic apparel/ fan ware. The online store could have hats, track suits, sweaters, t-shirts and toques.

- Coaches are also interested in ordering track suits
- Parents have been asking about purchasing spare sets of socks

21. Individual fundraising – Tamey will ask the coached to remind parent that the Manitoulin Panthers name can not be associated with personal fundraising for players.

22. Suspension appeals – question regarding who pays for appeals. It was decided if coaches feel the appeal is winnable the association can decide to pay for it. If not, it would be the responsibly of the parent.

23. Replica Jerseys request – the sale of replica jersey was not approved at this time. The decision was unanimous.

Meeting adjourned 8:40 pm

Next meeting: November 27th @ 6:30 pm