

*Banff Minor Hockey Association*  
*Board Meeting Minutes*  
*Monday, February 24, 2025*

Attending: Dave, Daryn, Fiona, Deb, Mandi, Rod, Fred, Megan

\*Mark and Andrea virtual attendance

Minutes by Mandi

Call to Order at 6:43pm

**1. Approval of previous meetings minutes**

MOTION: Rod motions to approve December 9, 2024 meeting minutes, Andrea seconds.

All in favour, Motion carried

**2. Planning for 2025/26 Season**

**Discussion on planning for the 2025–2026 season.**

- Need to send out year-end surveys to teams.
- Concerns about team compositions and potential lack of teams in certain age groups, likely no U15, possible low numbers in all but U11, Pond looking ok for registrations
- Megan to share last year's surveys with the board for review, add question about willingness to participate on the board
- Aim to get surveys out to teams and parents within the next week (by March 7)
- Discussion on entertaining the possibility of merging with Canmore at some point in the future due to a combination of low registrations and low volunteerism on the board.
- Looking at May 1 or 15 as potential registration dates to be ahead of Canmore Registration

**3. Set AGM date**

- May 22, 2025– Plan to book a meeting room or the curling lounge.
- Discussion on how to have it better attended, push word of mouth, free registration
- Open positions to advertise: President, Vice President, Secretary, Ice Coordinator, Coach Coordinator, Registrar, Pond Manager. Discussion on adding member at large
- Suggestion to review bylaws for 2025/26 season in reference to the ability to pay positions.

**4. Financial update in reference to registration fee discussion**

- Current financials show a deficit of approximately \$12,000 for the season
- Discussion on freezing expenditures and potential fundraisers (Dominos, Casino night, Smile cookies discussed). Megan Iskauskas Authorized to look into and apply for AGLC eligibility and licensing on behalf of Banff Minor Hockey for Casino and other fundraisers.
- Could not yet comment on fee structure

#### **5. Volunteer Bond- Success or failure? Propose a revamp to match CMHA**

- Overview of CAMH volunteer structure
- Megan will ask managers to submit volunteer hours, Andrea to invoice those that don't meet the minimum requirement
- Issues with volunteers not meeting requirements. Rod to create a one stop shop on website with Megan to add hyperlinks with everything that is required for parents, coaches, managers etc.

#### **6. RAMP vs TeamSnap**

- Megan to look at pricing for RAMP
- Deb and Megan to meet and discuss pros/cons for each system
- Currently RLH and Canmore use RAMP

#### **7. Budget- need everyone to start thinking about what we want added to our 25/26 budget**

- Not discussed in detail

#### **8. Windup/Thank You/Cleanup- chance to wrap the season up properly and thank managers**

- Suggestion to use a bit of money for a coach/manager wrap up in combination with locker clean outs/inventory.

#### **9. Sponsorships & Tournaments**

- Megan discussed a possible separate approach to adding sponsorships
- Fred to lock in dates for next year's tournaments. Plan to book in one or two more than we anticipate in the event that we have extra teams or host a tournament as an additional fundraiser

#### **10. 4 Year olds in U9 Program**

- 3 Families have reached out to about 4 year olds in the U7 program.

- Discussion that this may be considered on a case by case basis pending registration numbers, skating ability and coach discretion. Add this as a not under U7 registration

Adjourn: 8:30 pm

Next Meeting March 31<sup>st</sup> 2025