



Truro and Area Minor Hockey Association

**TAMHA Board Meeting
Tuesday, September 13th, 2022
8:00 p.m. (ZOOM)**

Agenda

- 1) Call to Order and Approval of Agenda
- 2) Approval of Previous Minutes (August 31, 2022)
- 3) Business Arising from Previous Minutes
 - a) C-Level Sponsorship Update – U11 Rep
 - b) Sport Hub Update – President
 - c) Policy Committee Updates – Comm. & Tech. Coordinator
 - Tryout Policy
 - Financial Policy re. closing team bank accounts
 - d) Tryouts & Evaluation Planning - President
- 4) New Business
 - a) Team Manager Training re. GrayJay – Treasurer
 - b) Equipment – Equipment Manager
 - c) Green Arm Band Program – RIC
 - d) Coaches' Meeting - RIC
- 5) Other(s)
- 6) Next Meeting(s): **TBA** at TBA p.m. (Location TBA)
- 7) Adjournment



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In Attendance: Chris Lamrock (Chair), Jamie Barbour, Josh Burcham, Laurie Burcham, Ryan Butcher, Landon Crowe, Justin Dickie, Derek Forsyth, Dwayne Frizzell, Carley Gloade, Roy Gouthro, Dave Hazelton, Tricia Lake, Cindy Lewis, Mike Michaud, Lee Ogden, Misty Rennie,

Absent: Steve VanderKwaak, Dana Young

Author of Minutes: Tricia Lake

1. ***Call to Order and Approval of Agenda***

- Meeting called to order at 8:01 p.m.
- ***Motion*** to approve Agenda, as circulated, by U11 Rep; seconded by RIC. Motion approved.

2. ***Approval of Previous Minutes (August 31, 2022)***

- ***Motion*** to approve (with redaction to 3(a)), by Treasurer; seconded by Tournament Chair. Motion approved.

3. ***Business Arising from Previous Minutes***

a. ***C-Level Sponsorship Update – U11 Rep***

- Treasurer secured funding from “Start to Finish” for 3 complete sets of jerseys. This sponsorship will be used for U13 jerseys
- Pro Design Cresting will be the U15 jersey sponsor; Blaikie’s will be the U15 or U18 jersey sponsor.
- U11 Rep expressed concern that our full sponsorship request was too much for many sponsors. U13 Rep suggested re-wording the request as \$1,000/year x 4 years (life of the jerseys), rather than requesting \$4,000 at once.
- ***Action:*** U11 Rep to re-approach previous sponsors with revised sponsorship request.

b. ***Sport Hub Update – President***

- ***Action:*** Table for future meeting

c. ***Policy Committee Updates – Comm. & Tech. Coordinator***

- The draft “Committee Evaluation Policy & Operating Procedures” document was circulated, in advance of the meeting, for review.
- Discussion ensued around sections 4.5.4.1 and 4.5.4.2, to determine whether a doctor’s note would be required for absenteeism during tryouts. It was agreed that the wording should state that ‘if a player misses one or more sessions, a doctor’s note *may* be required.’

- Past President noted that last year (during COVID), TAMHA was not permitted to request doctor's notes, as it violated players' privacy.
- **Action:** President to check with HNS to confirm if doctor's notes can be requested, and any guidelines or policies around collecting and securing such information.
- **Motion** to approve the Policy, as presented and amended, by U18 Rep; seconded by 1st VP. Motion approved.
- **Action:** Financial Policy re. closing team bank accounts to be deferred until next meeting. Policy Committee to update existing financial policy, to include a date by which all accounts must be settled with TAMHA, and bank accounts closed.

d. Tryouts & Evaluation Planning – President

- Executive Members are in place for U13AAA and U15AA.
- Development Coordinator to send 'Practice Plans' to coaches tonight.
- Comm. & Tech. Coordinator has boxes prepared for Executive members, containing team lists, evaluation sheets and passwords for Evaluators.
- RIC to assign officials for any intersquad or Final tryouts listed on the schedule.
- **Action:** President to confirm with Coach Coordinator that all coaches are in place.

4. **New Business**

a. Team Manager Training re. GrayJay – Treasurer

- Treasurer noted that we have a new online portal this year, along with new managers, that would require training.
- Comm. & Tech. Coordinator noted that there is a "Team Staff Guide" for GrayJay available on our website. He is also available to conduct a Zoom training session.
- U18 Rep stated that she found 'in person' training more valuable than being directed to a website.
- **Action:** Past President and Secretary to host an 'in person' training session for Managers, and/or work with the Female Rep to record a training session to be uploaded to the website for future viewing.

b. Equipment – Equipment Manager

- C-level managers need to be collecting jersey deposits from families (\$50/jersey x 2 = \$100/season), *per* our "Jersey Sign Out Form & Guidelines." Payment can be in the form of post-dated cheque, cash, or credit card number on file.
- Players need to be informed that they cannot wear their jerseys to practice; they cannot leave their jerseys in their bags (have to be hung on hangers); and they are not to be worn outside of games.
- Discussion ensued around providing practice jerseys for teams. Equipment manager currently has six totes of old jerseys that can be used as practice jerseys for this year.
- U7 Rep informed the Board that Tim Horton's will be providing jerseys this season for U7 players.
- **Action:** Equipment Manger to obtain a quote on purchasing practice jerseys, for the Association, moving forward.

c. Green Armband Initiative – RIC

- This initiative was first introduced in Quebec minor baseball a few years ago. This initiative is in response to abuse and harassment received by officials who are new or under age 18. All first-year officials, or any officials below the age of 18 are required to wear a green armband on their

left arm to identify them. As part of this initiative, there will also be increased sanctions against team officials and spectators that are penalized for abuse or harassment of minor or new officials. For example, if someone gets suspended for yelling at an official with a green armband, the suspension will be doubled.

d. Coaches' Meeting – RIC

- RIC would like to be invited to the "Coaches' Meeting," once teams are finalized, to review the rule changes for the season.

5. **Other(s)**

a. Ref Clinic – RIC

- Reminder of the Ref Clinic scheduled for September 17th at NSCC. Participants must be registered by September 15th on the HCR website.
- **Action:** Reminder about Ref Clinic to be posted on TAMHA FB page and website.

6. **Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 27, 2022, at 8:00 p.m. (ZOOM)**

7. **Adjournment**

- **Motion to** Adjourn by Treasurer, seconded by Tech. & Comm. Coordinator. Motion approved.

Meeting adjourned at 9:38 p.m.