

## Meeting Minutes for July 2020

Moses Lake Youth Hockey Association

Location: 420 W Broadway Ave, Moses Lake, WA

Date of Meeting: July 14, 2020

In Attendance: Ryan Porter, Melanie Strevy, Chad Strevy, Courtney Russell, Jen Hopkins, Bob Horst, Chris Hesse

Meeting called to order at 5:23pm

Melanie reported the ending balance at the end of June, 2020 as \$27,791. The only items paid for being equipment ordered and the website.

Ryan reported the equipment/gear has already arrived. Small sizes were ordered to accommodate the rising numbers in the Parks and Rec Beginning Hockey program.

Tom Los has requested the MLYHA equipment be removed from the Ice Rink. Discussion was held regarding a storage unit at the storage facility next to the rink. Ryan will follow up on cost. Melanie made a motion to spend up to \$100/month on a storage unit. Chris second. This will allow Ryan to secure a unit without having to come back to the group for additional approval.

Courtney has been staying up to date on USA Hockey protocols for our upcoming season. We need to be prepared and know what is expected from our association and from the City. The health district requires restrooms to be cleaned hourly—as an association, we need to know what the City will be taking care of and what we will need to handle ourselves. Discussion around hand sanitizer dispensers. We will be prepared with pumps to start.

Some coaching classes will be held online for those who would like to continue. Coaches are also able to obtain an extension of one year, if preferred, until classes open in person. Communication of this will be made to MLYHA coaches.

There are online seminars for Official/Referee certification. Question was asked if Tom Los would still be the referee coordinator this season—unknown at this time.

Dues for the 2020-2021 season discussed. Current dues are \$375 Mites, \$525 for the rest of the teams. Discussion held on dropping dues by \$25/player. Concern over what this season will look like due to COVID. If we don't have games, can we rent more ice for extra practices from the City? If the City is hesitant to open the rink at all due to not being able to offer open skate, can we as an association pay them for use of the facility? We will request the financials for Public Skate to get a better idea of the income from that program. Vote held to lower or keep the same. One vote—same (Bob), six votes—lower (Melanie, Courtney, Jen, Chad, Chris, Ryan). Melanie made a motion to lower Mites cost by \$25, from \$375 to \$350 and keep the rest at \$525. Courtney second.

Sibling discount will be put on hold for this year.

Two tournaments per team will be done this year. Melanie asked that we be on the lookout for options.

Courtney asked about the approval required from ADM rep, Doug Kirton, for two 15 year old players to play on the 14U team. Ryan will take care of this.

New jerseys were approved in November, 2019. Ryan suggested we work with Elizabeth at Hockey Source in Tri-Cities for jersey design and ordering. Courtney and Teya will look into this.

Online registration will be available August 1-31. Courtney just needs to get a COVID Waiver written up. Payment will not be enabled online as we are still unsure what the season will look like. It will be easier to not have to deal with refunds, etc.

Discussion held regarding the likelihood of the rink opening for the season. A lot hinges on what phase Grant County will be in and whether the City will be able to open. Chris will contact Tom to find out about the City's intentions and stress the deadlines our association has, ie registration, game schedule, etc.

Jen asked about planning for the Winter Classic and Pond Hockey tournaments. Decision made to move forward as normal and proceed with planning. Winter Classic to be held January 15-17, 2021, Pond Hockey to be held January 29-30, 2021, Adult Tournament to be held February 12-14, 2021. Melanie will check with Tom Los to clear those dates with the City. Jen to send in tournament applications for Winter Classic and Pond Hockey to Jeremy McCann and get the brochures updated for the website.

Chris made motion to accept March meeting minutes with no corrections. Bob second.

Meeting adjourned at 6:49pm