



Truro Area Minor Hockey Association

**TAMHA Board Meeting
Sunday, February 5th, 2023
8:00 p.m. (ZOOM)**

Agenda

- 1) Call to Order and Approval of Agenda
- 2) Approval of Previous Minutes (January 15, 2023)
- 3) Business Arising from Previous Minutes
 - a) Policy Committee Update – Comm. & Tech. Coordinator
- 4) New Business
 - a) Rep Jersey Update – President & Equipment Manager
 - b) Mid-Season Members' Meeting Reports (post to website) – Comm. & Tech. Coordinator
 - c) Bradley Sheppard Event (U13-U18) – 2nd VP
 - d) Outstanding Fees – Treasurer/President
 - e) Referee Financial Support - President
- 5) Other(s)
- 6) Next Meeting(s): **TBA** at TBA p.m. (Millbrook Room, RECC)
- 7) Adjournment



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In Attendance: Ryan Butcher (Chair), Jamie Barbour, Josh Burcham, Laurie Burcham, Justin Dickie, Derek Forsyth, Dwayne Frizzell, Roy Gouthro, Ashley Hunt, Tricia Lake, Mike Michaud, Brad Ritcey, Steve VanderKwaak, Dana Young

Absent: Landon Crowe, Carley Gloade, Chris Lamrock, Cindy Lewis, Lee Ogden, Misty Rennie

Author of Minutes: Tricia Lake

1. *Call to Order and Approval of Agenda*

- Meeting called to order at 8:03 p.m.
- **Motion** to approve Agenda, as circulated, by RIC; seconded by 1st VP. Motion approved.

2. *Approval of Previous Minutes (January 15, 2023)*

- **Motion** to approve, as amended, by RIC; seconded by 1st VP. Motion approved.

3. *Business Arising from Previous Minutes*

a. *Policy Committee Update – Comm. & Tech. Coordinator*

- **Action:** Defer to next meeting.

4. *New Business*

a. *Rep Jersey Update – President & Equipment Manager*

- **Action:** Defer to next meeting.

a. *Mid-Season Members' Meeting Reports (post to website) – Secretary & Comm. & Tech. Coordinator*

- Due to poor attendance at the Mid-Season Members' Meeting, it was suggested that the Board Members' Reports be published to the Association website, rather than waiting until next January when the formal minutes are approved. This will provide members an opportunity to review the reports while they are still current.
- **Motion** by Treasurer to publish the reports from the Mid-Season Members' Meeting to the website. Seconded by 1st VP. Motion approved.

b. Bradley Sheppard Event (U13-U18) – 2nd VP

- Members of the Executive participated in a ‘Diversity & Inclusion’ seminar, facilitated by Bradley Sheppard, at the HNS Road Show held in the fall.
- Given the nature of some of the disciplinary issues faced by players/coaches/parents during the first half of the season, particularly at the U13-U18 levels, members of the Executive felt it would be prudent to invite Bradley Sheppard to conduct seminars to our players, coaches, and parents, as a ‘restorative approach’ to more sportsmanlike behaviour.
- There will be four seminars, each an hour in length, from 5-8 p.m. on February 21st, tailored towards each age group (U13, U15, U18, and coaches/parents/officials/Board members). The focus will be on bullying and diversity and inclusiveness in sport. Everyone is encouraged to attend.
- 2nd VP is investigating potential funding opportunities through Sport NS, to assist with the costs of the seminars. There is no funding available from HNS.

c. Outstanding Fees – Treasurer/President

- Notices were sent to members with outstanding fees from the 2021-2022 season, in addition to those with outstanding balances as of January 31st of the current season.

d. Referee Financial Support – President

- See Appendix A: Referee Financial Support (Proposal).
- Because of the shortage of officials within our Association, the Executive has been in discussion with the RIC about providing financial support to new officials, to offset the financial burden of equipment, and encourage recruitment efforts.
- **Motion** by 2nd VP to approve the proposed ‘Referee Financial Support.’ Seconded by U11 Rep. Motion approved.

5. **Other(s)**

a. C-Level Playoff Rules – RIC

- RIC inquired if there was a standard set of rules for C-level playoffs? In the absence of alternate rules, officials will revert to regular season rules, unless instructed otherwise by the RIC. Ice Scheduler responded that she had a copy of the U15 Rules.
- **Action:** Ice Scheduler to send copy of C-level playoff rules to RIC and TAMHA’s Office Administrator.
- **Action:** TAMHA to consult with other Associations in the C-league to ensure a standard set of rules for all C-level playoffs is developed and followed.

b. Nominating Committee & 2023-2024 Intentions – President

- President asked for volunteers to sit on the Nominating Committee for next year’s Board.
- Members of the Nominating Committee are the President, RIC, and Comm. & Tech. Coordinator.
- **Action:** President asked members to submit their intention for next season by March 5th; that is, intention to re-offer in current position, nominate themselves for a different role, or resign?

6. **Next Meeting:** **Sunday, March 5, 2023, at 8:00 p.m. (ZOOM)**

7. **Adjournment**

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

APPENDIX A: Referee Financial Support (Proposal)

1. New whistle for all new officials at on ice session with Roy.
2. Registration paid for all officials (Level 1, 2 and 3) while still in school (including post secondary) up to the age of 24.
3. Staged Reimbursement after officiating so many games within the first 2 years. Maximum reimbursement \$400. New officials only, or officials who have not been officiating for more than 5 years:
 - a. \$100 after 10 games
 - b. \$100 additional after 20 games
 - c. \$200 additional after 40 games