

KENNEBECASIS VALLEY MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

Meeting Minutes

October 16/2024 | 6:30 p.m. | Meeting location: Chris Saunders Memorial Elementary School

Meeting called by	KVMHA Board
Type of meeting	General Board Meeting
Facilitator	Scott Nelson
Note taker	Patrick Collins

1. President – Scott Nelson (Present)
2. Vice-President – Mike Conley (Present)
3. Director of Recreational Hockey – Darren Fowler (Present)
4. Director of Competitive Hockey – Troy MacLeod (Present)
5. Director of Communications – Kate Craik (Present)
6. Director of Finance – Geoff Cochrane (Absent)
7. Director of IP/Novice – Christian Belliveau (Present)
8. Director of Administration - Mike Wilson (Present)
9. Director of Revenue – Glenn Piercy (Present)
10. Director of Ice – Dan Rowe (Present)
11. Director of Human Resources – Kamil Forgie (Absent)
12. Director of Technical Development – Shane MacDonald (Present)

AGENDA TOPICS

General Administration | Presenter Scott Nelson, President

1. Call to order (6:30pm).
2. Previous meeting minutes approved.
3. Introduction of Patrick Collins becoming Director of Administration. As part of being mentored into the role of Director of Administration for the Board, Patrick was present to observe Board processes and act as note taker for the meeting.
4. Introduction of Carlos Urtubia as new Inclusivity Coordinator. Carlos provided an overview of his role as newly appointed Inclusivity Coordinator. Carlos shared his 3-year proposal to foster and reinforce diversity, equity and inclusivity in the culture, on and off the ice, and throughout KVMHA activities.

Motion: None

Action: None

President's Remarks | Presenter Scott Nelson, President

5. NHL Fundraiser – Contract has been signed. The intent is to reduce team fees as the profits will go directly to the fundraising teams. It will not be mandatory for teams to participate. The NHL Fundraiser initiative will be discussed at the Coaches Meeting and the Managers Meeting. The President will establish a committee to oversee and organize the initiative.
6. SNB Meeting – It's now mandatory for referees to wear neck guards. The expectation is for coaching staff to report violations to the head referee (Mike Hellingwerf mikehellingwerf@gmail.com).
7. Seadogs Partnership – KV Minor Hockey Night at TD Station. The intent of this partnership is to have numerous KVMHA teams attend Seadogs games at a reduced ticket price. Additional information will be provided to the KVMHA teams during the Coaches Meeting and Managers Meeting.
8. Neurodiverse Program – 30 positions were made available this year and every spot has been filled. The Neurodiverse Program will take place at QMA every second Saturday at 5:15pm starting on October 26, 2024.

Motion: None

Action: None

Response to Complaints | Presenter Mike Wilson, Director of Administration

9. First Shift hockey program – an email was written to the Director of Administration regarding the ice time availability for the program. The current ice times for the First Shift program are Saturday afternoons. The Board discussed various ice time options for the First Shift program. Due to ice time restrictions within the area, KVMHA cannot accommodate the request to move the First Shift ice times to 5pm weekdays.
10. A complaint was brought to the Board in regard to competitive team affiliates chosen prior to the recreational teams being made. The Board will document this shortcoming to prevent recurrence in the future.

Motion 1: Motion for no changes to the First Shift ice times. The motion was passed unanimously.

Action 1: Director of Administration to set up an agenda item to further discuss opportunities to improve the onset to the hockey season.

Town Council | Presenter Mike Conley, Vice-President

11. The Vice-President and Director of Technical Development intend to present concerns to the Town Council, likely the second week in November. The main driver being the lack of ice time for KVMHA and as a result having fewer practices and late-night practices on the weekdays.

Proposed solutions, including KVMHA league preferential ice times and a longer-term proposal for new facilities which would allow the area to host tournaments and generate revenue in the community.

Motion: None

Action: None

Equipment | Presenter Glenn Piercy, Director of Revenue

12. There are two (2) U13C teams with the older jerseys.

Motion 2: Motion to purchase additional sets of jerseys for the two (2) remaining U13C teams. The motion was passed unanimously.

Action: None

Try-outs | Presenters Troy MacLeod, Director of Competitive Hockey and Darren Fowler, Director of Recreational Hockey

13. Ice-time efficiencies can be gained, e.g. the timeline could have allowed for U11 aged players to have ice time earlier in the season.

14. More discussion regarding affiliates for competitive teams will occur in a future meeting (see action 1).

New Business | Presenter Scott Nelson, President

15. The Board previously discussed the rising costs of tournament registration fees.

Motion 3: Motion to increase the maximum player team fee from \$150 to \$175 per player, was taken virtually (October 22, 2024). The motion passed.

Action: None

MEETING ADJOURNED BY Scott Nelson at 8:55 p.m.

Next KVMHA Board Meeting – November 13, 2024 depending upon availability.

Compilation of Motions and Actions:

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