

**FMH Board Meeting Minutes**  
**June 12, 2022**  
**ZOOM 8:00 pm**



**I. Call to Order - Lisa called to order at 8:04pm**

In attendance - Lisa, Nicholle, Chris, Mike, Caroline, Jodi, Harmony, Josh, Dustin, Deb, Cody, Shae

**II. Approval of the Agenda**

Approved

**III. Approval of the Minutes from May 17, 2022 (attached)**

At first glance - Lisa motions to approve  
Nicholle second's

**IV. Welcome and Introduction of New FMHA Board**

Jodie Erbacher has stepped in for the half ice coordinator this season  
Chris will be in a Director at large roll and will keep his EK Rep  
Safety Coordinator - still vacant (Sean may be interested again)  
Fundraising Coordinator - still vacant

**V. Guest Speaker - Carolyn Doyle - re: Rec Program Proposal**

Has coached with FMH for a couple of years and has children in some of the younger programs

Would like to speak to the board to encourage revisiting the Rec Program

- Requesting 1hr of ice per week for U9-U11 ice time per week
  - Provides a space for kids that aren't ready or are intimidated by main stream hockey program
  - Creates a pool of kids that may love hockey and join the regular program
  - Allows young children the chance to diversify their range of sports
  - Keeps another set of certified coaches
  - With no First Shift running this year this is a great entry level for new players
  - Keeps families in hockey who won't or can't commit to regular league hockey
  - Current list of people interested in this program - most currently not registered with FMH
  - Coaches - Carolyn Doyle, Tara Hatch, Laura Bullock, Kevin Giffin

Board Questions - Sunday evening? Every other week?

Numbers games for filling our regular teams - does offering a rec program take away from those that want to be competitive but now we don't have number to run regular teams  
Renting private ice?

Approaching the COF as far as a program that they run or speaking with them in regards to designated ice time for a rec program.

Wanting kids to develop accordingly so that if they want to make the jump to the mainstream hockey they will have the basic skills

Registering in age category below and committing to games would allow for a more well rounded experience for those that actually are looking to move across to the regular hockey program

## VI. Old (Ongoing) Business – Board Reports

### 1. President / EKMHA Rep - Lisa Samycia

**EKMHA AGM was on May 14, 2022**

**new EKMHA Website launched and in process of updating (free)  
(forms, policies, minutes, contact info, links to MHA's, BC Hockey, HiSports etc)**

[https://admin.esportsdesk.com/leagues/front\\_pageFree.cfm?clientID=6930&leagueID=33525](https://admin.esportsdesk.com/leagues/front_pageFree.cfm?clientID=6930&leagueID=33525)

**new EKMHA Secretary Stephanie Delaney (KMHA)**

- She will be taking on all the hisport responsibilities

### 2. Vice President - Mike DeMarchi

Nothing new to report

### 3. Administrator / Registrar / Ice Coordinator Report - Shea Hawkins

current registration #'s will be discussed under "New Business"

**ACTION- Lisa and Shea will meet next week to submit requests to City for next year's permits and ice schedules based on discussions tonight regarding expected teams and ice needs**

### 4. Secretary Report - Nicholle Auger - nothing to report

### 5. Safety Coordinator Report - VACANT

### 6. Player Development Report - Dustin Auger

Attended U13-U18 Bucks meeting

Appears to be good number of kids interested in trying outs

Questioned - not being able to play if it interfered with education - based on 615am practices - some feedback from out of town parents is that this practice time is not feasible

-Evaluators will be from Cranbrook/Kimberly

-Coaches are already determined and they will have the final say in the players

### 7. Coach Coordinator Report - Cody Wakeford

**ACTION - Email sent out to coordinate volunteers - only 5 applications received - Deadline July 15 - Shae will send email.**

-Cody will be getting a quote from the Calgary Organization in regards to the shooting and stickhandling. He will present to the Board once received.

**8. Equipment Coordinator Report - Deb Davidson**

**Practice Jerseys**

- U7 U9 on the way - Practice and game
- U13/U15 - Tryout Jerseys

**Goalie Gear**

- U7/U9 has been ordered
- Full locker of old goalie gear still - Deb has gotten rid of some already and would like help getting rid of more

**ACTION - Mike will drop off at reuse center and Shea will post regarding so**

**9. Half Ice Coordinator - Jodi Erbacher**

EKMHA approved U7/U9 playing "rules" - will be on EKMHA website, requested Lee Wilm to send final version

**ACTION - Lisa will forward when received**

**10. Sponsorship / Tournament Coordinator Report - VACANT**

**11. Referee Coordinator Report**

new Joint Referee Coordinator has been hired Eleanor McAuley getting set up with Assignr Access by Tiffany

- Has referee experience and lots of admin background
- Keen to mentor upcoming refs
- Assignr program is valid until October

**12. Treasurer Report (attached) Harmony Lloyd**

See attached report

Lisa and Harmony are working to complete BC Gaming report - hopefully done by the end of the week

**13. Female Coordinator Report - Mike DeMarchi**

See new business discussions

**14. Director at Large / EK Zone Committee - Chris Moulton**

new Zone Coaches hired U15= Pete Stefano, U18= Mike Reid

Lisa would like Chris to relay - She has heard many comments about players not wanting to try out for one but tryout for the other - essentially skip Bucks and tryout for Zones or only tryout for Zones and if they don't make it to go back to their home association.

**15. Director at Large - Josh Harrison**

Nothing to add

## **V. New Business**

### **i. Registration #'s for 2022-23 (see attached)**

U7 14 - 3 female

U9 25- 0 female

U11 25 -3 goalies 0 female/ EVMH 29 and 4 goalies (if to join together would have to apply to EK for different avenues to investigate- no 'tryouts' EVMH will form an A and B team)

U13 23 - 3 Goalies (1female Goalie)/7 Female/ EVMH 22 - 1 goalie/ Female  
17/45 Bucks intention (3-4 girls could make the Female Bucks, 1-4boys could make Bucks)

32/45 Raiders intention

12/45 House hockey only

Looks like combined team for Raiders AND combined team for House

U15 14 - 2 Goalies, 4 Female /EVMH 14 - 2 goalies, 1 Female

14/28 Zones intention

14/28 Bucks or Raiders intention

6/28 House hockey only

First preference would be to offer the Raider's team joined with EVMHA

U18 12 - 4 Goalies / EVMH 3

11/15 Bucks or Zones intention

3/15 House hockey only

### **ii. Fundraising Proposal - Harmony - see attached**

**ACTION - Think about changing the way raffle tables are run. Come the next meeting or communicate different ideas that may come up for streamlining**

-large raffles etc

### **iii. U7/ U9 - potential changes with new EKMHA playing rules**

-discuss Major / Minor concept ( at EVMHA request)

-first years minors

-second years majors

-discuss full ice transition ideas

Lisa will go back to EK meeting suggesting that we support offering full ice play IN ADDITION to regular league play rather than IN PLACE of

### **iv. FMH role in "Bullies" Spring Hockey**

Independent of Minor Hockey Associations

Register through Hockey Canada and follow Hockey Canada rules or independently insured.

- Ice would be the challenge here in Fernie

### **v. Meeting June 13 - ZOOM - Q&A Session to continue the discussion that**

Cranbrook started on different levels of play

Dustin, Cody, Chris, Lisa will be in attendance

### **vi. Female Update**

Large spread of ages

- 13 registered in the Elk Valley Female Program
- Approved to play in the Alberta Rocky Mountain League
  - Cannot dual roster
- Mike would like to discuss -
  - Female Development within the Association
    - Concerns around the program in Elk Valley will be run and their focus on development

Would like to focus on U7-U11 divisions for skill development and have the older girls come out to mentor.

Current numbers make it hard to justify weekly of designated ice time but would like to see it happen more often that twice or three times a year

FMH will keep the development of our girls in house and will focus on a plan.

**XVII. Comments and Announcements**

**XVIII. Next Meeting Date - July 10 @8pm Zoom**

**XIX. Adjournment - Lisa adjourned 10:14pm**