

Moses Lake Youth Hockey Association

Board Meeting Minutes

6/10/2025, 5:30pm
2609 West Broadway Ave, Moses Lake



Attendance: Courtney Russell, Dan Niehinke, Troy Wiley, Scott Freidig, Todd Gregory, Mike Meetsma, Kelli Hesse, Alyssa Barlow joined via phone for the vote

Call to Order: 6:05pm

Minute Approval: Courtney motioned to approve the minutes, Todd seconded the motion. All were in favor.

President's Report: Ryan not present

Treasurer's Report: Troy

Only 3 transactions in the past month so not much new happening.

Old Business

1. Tournament Application Update

When the new season opens, Courtney will get the applications sent in. Scott is going to up-date the rules with time-out language and max goal differential. Troy will mail the checks when he gets back. Scott will work on the city application with Tom. Our tournament fees will remain the same this year.

2. Pre-Season Practice Dates

Pre-season practices will begin the Sunday after Labor day and go until Thanksgiving; pending our ice opening. We will still charge \$50 to attend any number of sessions. We will not offer any exceptions to this. We were wondering about holding referee training. Troy will get that scheduled.

3. 18u Planning Decisions

As a board we are not supportive of cutting players for the purpose of limiting the roster size. We don't see this as an option going forward. We are laying out some basic framework for coaches to use when managing their teams during the season.

6u-10u we are strictly rolling lines. 12u+ we will still be rolling lines until there is a tactical move that needs to be made (short-handed plays, etc) and then it will be back to rolling lines. If we come to the point where we have enough kids for two teams, we will support our association having 2 teams at that level.

Coaches are allowed to call-up a player when the number of skaters would be less than 14 (13 plus a goalie) to take to a game or tournament. This applies to players invited to play-up with a team that is short on players. Example: If a team has only 12 skaters a coach can invite up to two players to join if they see the need, as long as it doesn't conflict with the player's primary

team schedule. If a team has 14 players, they must have board approval to call-up a player from another team.

Other considerations we think should affect coaching decisions: attendance, effort, penalty minutes, attitude, safety (skills on ice, roughness, etc).

Troy motioned that we adopt these guidelines and pass them on to the 18u planning team. They will use these to guide the planning for their season, including handling roster overage. This will also be added to our policy and guidelines. Todd seconded the motion. All were in favor (including Alyssa via phone).

4. Coaching Staff Update

Mike presented a coach list for this year. We are still working on 6u and 12u head coaches.

Adjourn: 7:05pm

Next Meeting: July 8th, 5:30pm