



**MALONE MINOR HOCKEY
BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

October 18, 2021

A Malone Minor Hockey Association Regular Board Meeting was held on Monday, October 18, 2021, in person (socially distanced) and via Microsoft Teams Meeting at the Malone Civic Center.

ATTENDANCE:

Present: Matt Jones, Kris Hardy, Ryan O'Connor, Laurie Dustin (Guest), Chuck McKee (Guest)

Present Via Microsoft Teams: Chris Walfield, Ben West, Sandra Riley, Scott Marlow

Absent: Mike Beebe

Meeting was called to order by Matt Jones at 7:02pm.

1. Public Session- None

2. Regular Session

A. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes from 8/16/21.

1. Ryan O'Connor made a motion to approve the minutes as written, seconded by Kris Hardy, all were in favor.

B. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes from 9/20/21.

2. Ryan O'Connor made a motion to approve the minutes as written, seconded by Kris Hardy, all were in favor.

C. Junior Rangers Learn to Play Program Presentation

1. Chuck McKee (Lead Instructor) presented to the board regarding the new program. Registration numbers are good, 52 spots are filled out of the total of 60. NYR Learn to Play program leadership has asked if MMH would like to have a second session of the Junior Rangers LTP Program beginning in February.
 - a. Chuck will be looking for volunteers to help on-ice with the program. The player to staff ration should be at least 1:10. Will look to connect with 46ers coaches of the 14U and up teams as an opportunity to earn time for their "Giving Back" program and also High School team players.

D. MMH By-Laws Review

1. The MMH Board reviewed the current By-Laws of Malone Minor Hockey, Inc. as of 2/15/19. Some discussion was had around social media being used for public notices, but no changes were recommended.
 - a. Annual review of the Bylaws will be in place prior to the start of each season.

E. Letter Received regarding Financials

1. The letter received by Matt Jones, Jay Perras, and Kris Hardy via email on October 4th, 2021 from Sandra Riley regarding profit & loss statements from the 2020-2021 season was reviewed.
 - a. Discussion on the letter received was had around transparency on the financial statements and categorization of expenses.
 - b. Sandra Riley asked for more transparency, especially on the larger numbers.
 - c. Kris Hardy spoke about the board closing the 2020-2021 financials and are now into the 2021-2022 budget. Work has been done with current accountant to build additional categories in the financial recording statements to categorize better revenue and expenses.
 - d. Matt Jones spoke about his discussions with the current accountant, Darlene Livernois, and her work on helping to create the 2021-2022 financial books to improve from the previous budget year. Darlene took over the books for MMH mid-year and worked with how the 2020-2021 budget was built. Matt talked about having Darlene attend a MMH Board meeting to review the current budget build/categories, talk about the current financial budget, and answer any questions that Board members might have.

F. Proposals

1. Coca-Cola Agreement- Matt Jones presented the Coca-Cola Agreement that was distributed to all Board members via email prior to this meeting. The proposal is for MMH to take ownership of the agreement for the vending machine at the Malone Civic Center. Kris Hardy made a motion to approve, Chris Walfield seconded, all were in favor.

G. General Items

1. Registration numbers are good. No players can be on the ice without first being registered.
2. Goalie situation at the 12U level was discussed as there is no goalie registered for that level at this time. There are three goalies at the 10U level. One 2011 and two 2012's. Decision was made to have a discussion with the 2011 goalie's parents regarding the possibility of moving up to the 12U level for this season.
3. Discussion was had on the concession stand opening for the 2021-2022 season. Feedback from members is that they would like to see it open in some capacity this season. Board discussed how to do it safely and who would run or oversee it. Important to have open for at least busy weekends and tournament weekends.
4. Laurie Dustin volunteered to help oversee the custom jersey ordering process which includes assigning numbers to new players.
5. Evaluation process for the upcoming Malone Jr. Huskies teams was reviewed. Jay Perras has worked to set up a system and process for evaluations that has been working well.
6. All coaches have been encouraged to have a parent meeting at the beginning of the season to begin opening up lines of communication. Teams have also been strongly

encouraged to seek a volunteer for a parent rep/ team manager at each level and each team.

7. MMH has been trying to post to social media when possible upcoming Public Skating sessions and also sent out association wide emails regarding times. A specific page on the MMH website was also created for easy access to view scheduled Public Skating dates and times.
8. MMH Stick & Puck passes were discussed. Kris will look to work with Luke Arnold to get these created.
9. Board member positions were discussed. With the resignation of Josh Ashline, the MMH board is currently at 9 members. Matt sent out an email to Board members for recommendations of potential board members to be appointed. 3 names were provided as potential board member candidates. Discussion of the 3 proposed candidates was had regarding eligibility and fit.
 - a. A motion was made to appoint Chuck Mckee as a board member to fill Josh Ashline's seat, with expiration of 2023, by Kris Hardy, seconded by Ryan O'Connor. All were in favor (Sandra Riley had to leave the meeting early).
 - b. A motion was made to appoint Jason Laflesh as a board member for a 1-year term, with expiration of 2022, by Chris Walfield and seconded by Kris Hardy. All were in favor (Sandra Riley had to leave the meeting early).

H. Financial

1. Financials reviewed for July – September.
 - a. Total income was just under \$70,000 and total expenses were just over \$46,000 during that timeframe.
2. Continued discussion from the last board meeting regarding startup costs.

I. Committees

1. Advertising/ Sponsorship update was given around new businesses and renewals from current business partners.
2. Tournament offerings were discussed. November 26-28 is scheduled for the Jacob Dievendorf Memorial 8U Turkey Shootout. Currently 10 teams and 2 more interested. The 2022 New Year's Cup will be held from December 31, 2021 – January 2, 2022, currently 8 teams registered and 4 more teams interested. The 12U Danglefest will be held on the weekend of January 15 – January 17, 2022, currently 8 teams registered and 1 team interested. The 2022 Girl on Fire tournament will be held over two weekends in March, 18-20 for 8U – 12U and 25-27 for 14U – 19U, currently 12 teams registered and 4 teams interested.
3. Discussion on ice scheduling and High School teams was had. Looking at creative ways to utilize and provide ice availability.

J. Executive Session

1. Executive session was requested by Matt Jones and entered into at 9:12pm.
2. Executive session was ended at 9:23pm.

K. Next Meeting Date: 11/15/21 @ 7pm at the Malone Civic Center

L. Adjournment: Motion was made by Kris Hardy and seconded by Ryan O'Connor to adjourn the meeting. All in favor

Meeting adjourned at 9:24 pm

Notes recorded by Matt Jones