



Russell Minor Hockey Association House League

Fundraising

Purpose

This policy is to ensure that all team fundraising efforts in the RMHA House League are within the boundaries set out by the RMHA.

Introduction

Teams may choose to offset team costs by fundraising. Fundraising will not be considered a requirement of play for any participant. The RMHA governs all fundraising activities conducted by those teams rostered with the RMHA. This policy is administered primarily, by the Head Coach and Team Manager.

Procedure

1. Individual teams may wish to fundraise to offset team costs (see Appendix A for permitted expenditures).
2. Fundraising efforts must be discussed and approved by the majority, at a team parent meeting prior to the start of any fundraising initiative.
3. The specific team and the purpose of fundraising, needs to be indicated for each fundraising activity. This must also be made clear to those who support any fundraising efforts.
4. All expenses incurred by the team and any monies raised through fundraising must be recorded in the team budget template. The team budget is to be submitted to the VP of House at the end of season. The budget should demonstrate effort to not accumulate more funds than the actual cost of permitted expenses.
5. Any surplus of fundraising monies may be reimbursed to the players at the end of the season. The reimbursement cannot exceed that of the team fee (eg. team fee \$200, maximum reimbursement of \$200)
6. Sponsorship is managed by the RMHA Board. Teams are not to seek donations (business or personal) for the purpose of sponsorship. Such matters are to be brought to the Director of Communication and Sponsorship.

7. Teams must consider that fundraising activities are conducted under the RMHA banner and as such, participants must adhere to the codes of conduct. Fundraising activities will be completed with the safety and well-being of players and the public in mind.

Appendix A Permitted Expenditures

- Tournament registration fees
- Team apparel, equipment bags
- Team meals and hotel expenses
- Costs for year-end activities, team recognition and awards
- Additional ice time for exhibition games and skill development
- Referee fees (exhibition games)
- Miscellaneous team expenses (game labels, name bars, paper, fax/phone, etc.).

Appendix B Prohibited Activities

- Teams are not to use funds to subsidize registration fees
- Teams are not permitted to raise funds through, bingo or gambling
- No lotteries or draws are permitted at the team level due to licensing requirements.
- Alcoholic beverages are not permitted as prizes, as described by Hockey Canada

**Consequence for not adhering to this policy may include disciplinary measures applied to the Head Coach, which may include a maximum of up to 5 games suspension based on the outcome of a disciplinary hearing.*

References

RMHA Participant Policy (to be determined)

Fair Play Code of Conduct (player, parent, coach, spectator)

RMHA House League Team Fee Policy

Team Budget Template

RMHA Constitution and By-Laws

Hockey Canada

http://www.hockeyeasternontario.ca/docs/HEO_What_Events_Are_Covered.pdf

http://www.hockeyeasternontario.ca/docs/HEO_Special_Event_Request_Info.pdf

AGCO Rules where raffles are involved www.agco.on.ca

Municipality of Russell Township (for permits that may be required)

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Approved by: RMHA Board**