

Mississippi Thunderkings Executive Meeting Minutes

In Person – CP Arena

September 24, 2025

Name	Position	Attendance
Jennifer Downey	President	Present
Scott Dixon	VP Hockey Operations	Away
Andrea Tunks	VP Administration	Present
Lauren Baron	Director of Communications	Present
Sarah Clark	Director of Registration	Present
Brian Yantha	Director of Finance	Present
Vacant	Director of Equipment	N/A
Jason Tunks	Director of Risk & Discipline	Away
Derek Erdli	Director of Ice Scheduler	Present
Brad Colbourne	APMHA Rep	Present
Paolo	CPMHA Rep	Present
Jamie Hewitt	Secretary	Present

1.0 Approval of minutes from Aug 14 and 26 2024

MOTION: Brad

SECOND: Brian

2.0 Standing Items:

2.1 President's Report: HEO/D4/OBMHL

- Mike Smith – D4 – Risk and Discipline, will meet with all association R&D people to ensure everyone is on the same page.
- Important to note: helmets need to be worn properly, penalties will be given. Good quality and good working order.
- Officiating in advance – 50% will be paying on Nov, 25% dec and 25% Jan
- Exhibition Games – if anyone is interested D4, HEO has their own fb page
- Teams are made until U16, only 5 imports to date, all on U16, U18 many import requests are coming in now
- Attended some team meetings, the rest will be done by the weekend
- Welcome Lauren Baron to the Communications Rep for MTK
- **Andrea to bring confidentiality agreement for Lauren**
- All coaches/managers are set up on the website, and the app is being loaded
- During tryout process we lost our equipment manager.
- Don't need permits for exhibition games – Amanda will keep track

2.2 VP Operations:

- **Tryout Update**
- Thank you to all who were able to support the tryout process
- Few minor issues with evaluation support, but overall, it went pretty smoothly
- Received several requests for feedback from parents, which we were able to support. No major issues that I am aware of at this point
- The tryout drill package was received well by the coaches and evaluators. Already have a plan for the next year on some minor changes I would like to see.
- Up Next U18 tryouts and schedule evaluation support
- I will be reaching out to the other coaches as they owe the U18 some time
- **CPC Update**
- Feedback from the summer sessions was very positive. The General consensus is that they were much better than the previous year.
- Evaluation Support - Limited support from CPC. They did not meet the contract requirements so I will be discussing with Brent in the next week on next steps.
- Up Next: Work to schedule the first round of development sessions that are with CPC. These will include both player and goalie development in the same session
- Work to schedule the U10 Flag Beares
- Schedule MTK CPC Day. Likely after Christmas
- Work with Brent to assign team mentors from CPC. They will join the team for one game and one practice a month,
- **Coach Mentor**
- Now that teams are formed, coach mentor programming will start. My goal is that we will have a report from the coach mentor each month for our monthly meeting.
- **Development 1 Clinic (HEO) - September 27th**
- The last official count was 27 total people; however, I know of a handful of other people who have registered, expecting close to a full class
- Next Step: Confirm room setup with the Pakenham staff.
- Confirm that, and the MTK coach will be bringing the puck and cones
- Jenn to arrange for food for the clinic

2.3 VP Admin:

- Manager meeting following this
- Tryouts went smoothly, Lauren was very quick!

2.4 Director of Finance:

- Invoices will be sent out tomorrow to the teams
- Bank appt Friday to give Brian access to accounts

2.5 Director of Risk and Discipline

- Jason away

2.6 Director of Equipment:

- Crystal has all but U16 jerseys, to put on name bars
- New name bars will be done, managers will pick up team jersey's at her house
- Tuesday am – the track suit order went into protocol
- Jen to go in on Monday, see where timing looks, see about 20th anniversary shirts, return the try-on track suits
- Position: Lauren will post

2.7 Director of Ice Scheduler

- Derek to write a document of "How To" use SportsHeadz
- Practices are set until Oct 8th/14th now based on season start
- 84 practices set
- Trying to balance based on hours
- Sold 5 hours of ice during tryouts
- Requests from certain teams – to not have particular nights

2.8 Director of Registration:

- Summer Session money given to Andrea today
- U10-U16 tryouts done
- Not all teams were able to pay – they needed to be asked to share them again
- 220 tryouts in total, including U18, and not to imports. Guessing 130ish in total
- Jersey numbers are in now
- Moving Bench Staff over
- VSC – processing week of July 22 – need direction for pending, the declaration is enough until then
- Nov 30th roster date... Jenn to ask Heather about pending VSC
- Travel permits are in and approved
- Jersey deposits – got most... Invoice on HCR if people didn't bring a cheque

- U18 working on imports and paperwork, up to 6 today. Fit night for them? Start on the 14th potentially for the season. **Andrea to reach out to Steph tomorrow. Will be a very quick turn around.**
- Bench staff – check to ensure they have everything that they need.
- Coaches should send reimbursement through their managers.
- Limit for how many are reimbursed? No
- AP's – want to ensure that coaches need to know minimum numbers well in advance

2.9 Director of Communications:

- Roster and news posted

3.0 Association Reports:

3.1 APMHA Rep

- Complaints have been respectful
- Thunder maxed out U7, may need to waitlist (63)
- Meeting next week
- Looking at coaches and bench staff

3.2 CPMHA Rep:

- Evaluations went well – suggestion to do this electronically?
- Same as Brad with the respectful complaints
- Large numbers of Kings teams
- **Sarah to look at % of Thunder v CP kids on Kings teams....**

Secretary -

- Nothing to report

4.0 Business Arising: (Add points from agenda)

4.1 Manager Meeting:

- That is tonight, and t=Oct 4 is the league meeting for managers and coaches

4.2 Equipment Manger

- See above

4.3 Photo's

- **Come Back to this...**

4.4 MTK Day

- Nov 15th
- Managers will discuss
- Canteen is no longer available

4.5 Finance

- See above

4.6 Dev 1 Training

- See Above

Next Meeting/Ajournment: October 22, 7:00pm

