

## Bonnyville Jr. A Pontiacs

To MD of Bonnyville Reeve and Council

I wanted to formally thank you all and your administration's commitment in regard to the Bonnyville Pontiacs National Junior A Championship bids for 2025. We have been informed by Hockey Canada that we were not successful in our attempt to secure the event and the decision was made to award the bid to the Calgary Canucks in 2025.

Our host committee did complete a debrief follow up call with the chair of the site selection committee Dean Macintosh from Hockey Canada. We were able to express our disappointment that our bid was not selected after addressing any issues brought up in last year's bid process. In the end our location played a major factor in their decision-making process which is unfortunate knowing how our hospitality easily makes up for any additional travel required to come to our region. He spoke highly of the commitment from our municipalities working together to try and bring a national scale event to our area. He spoke about upgrades to our facility that would be required to host an event of this scale and the number of dressing rooms required. I wanted to inform you as major stakeholders of our debrief conversation for future reference.

I would like personally thank everyone again for the efforts and commitment to showcasing our region as a whole and look forward to continuing our desire to bring large scale events to our area. Go Yaks!!

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