

**St. Thomas Minor Hockey Association
Board of Directors Meeting
April 22, 2013**

In Attendance: Joe Bilyea, Brent Smith, Harry Cosgrove, Scott Nugent, Rick Tales, Dale Nurse, Lisa Matchim, Mike Moore, Mike Babcock, Hieu Reid.

Regrets: Cindy Hodgins, Adrian Douglas, Angie Da Costa, Jamie O'Brien.

Ex Officio: Lisa Smith

1. Called to Order:

Meeting was called to order at 7:09pm.

2. Previous Meeting Minutes:

Motion 04/22/2013 #076

To Approve the minutes of January 21, 2013.

L. Matchim/H. Cosgrove

Carried.

Motion 04/22/2013 #077

To approve the minutes of February 11, 2013.

H. Cosgrove/S. Nugent

Carried.

Motion 04/22-2013 #078

To Approve the minutes of March 18th, 2013

S. Nugent/H. Cosgrove

Carried.

3. Treasurer's Report:

Everything is pretty much paid up with the exception of February and March ice. There is a surplus of approximately \$7-8,000. The books will be ready at the end of April to go to the accountant.

Motion 04/22/2013 #078

To Accept the Treasurer's Report.

H. Cosgrove/ M. Moore

Carried.

4. Registration Report:

Lisa highlighted some changes for the 2013/14 registration program.

- Early registration will take place until July 15th
- There will be a late registration fee after Sept. 1st to encourage people to register early and give us enough time for planning the house league season.
- There is now a late tryout fee (after July 15th) – players registering late for tryouts will now pay \$80, players must be registered for tryouts by Aug. 16th.
- Refund Policy has been updated and simplified.
- We have decreased the # of post dated cheque we are accepting, once we are able to accept Visa/MC etc it will make payments easier.

Registration Dates – May 1st, June 4th, July 15th we will need assistance on those dates.

Web Site information – Lisa has added more information to the registration section of the web site, please have a look and let her know if you can think of any additional information to be added.

5. Annual General Meeting:

There were no Constitutional Amendments submitted. We have had one new person express an interest in the Board of Directors and one current Board member has also indicated they will stand for election.

6. House League Report:

Lisa M circulated a manual she has been preparing for the house league program, please let her know if you can think of anything to be added. It was suggested Select program be mentioned since they overlap between house league and travel.

Projected Numbers – the Board reviewed the projected # for house league next year. The atom division has the potential to be small. Some options presented were: 4 on 4, 3 team league, moving players up from Novice or down from Pee Wee to fill in the gaps. We need to be aware of it and come up with solutions if the problem does arise.

Motion 04/22/2013 #079

To Accept the House League Report.

S. Nugent/B. Smith

Carried.

7. Travel Report:

Following the interview process the Coach Selection Committee is recommending the following coaches for the upcoming season:

Motion 04/22/2013 #080

To appoint Brad Clinton as the Novice Coach for the 2013/14 Season.

B. Smith/D. Nurse

Carried.

L. Matchim & M. Babcock abstained.

Motion 04/22/2013 #081

To appoint Trent Frayne as the Atom AE Coach for the 2013/14 Season.

B. Smith/D. Nurse

Carried.

M. Moore, R. Tales, S. Nugent abstained.

Motion 04/22/2013 #081

To Appoint Craig Johnson as the Pee Wee AE coach for the 2013/14 Season

J. Bilyea/S. Nugent

Carried.

D. Nurse, B. Smith abstained.

Motion 04/22/2013 #082

To appoint Terry Johnston as the Minor Bantam Coach for the 2013/14 Season.

B. Smith/D. Nurse

Carried.

H. Reid abstained.

Motion 04/22/2013 #083

To appoint Darryl Turley as the Major Midget Coach for the 2013/14 season.

B. Smith/D. Nurse

Carried.

J. Bilyea abstained.

Motion 04/22/2013 #084

To appoint Rick Tales as the Minor Atom Coach for the 2013/14 season.

B. Smith/D. Nurse

Carried.

Motion 04/22/2013 #085

To appoint Scott Nugent as the Major Atom Coach for the 2013/14 season.

B. Smith/H. Cosgrove

Carried.

M. Moore abstained.

Motion 04/22/2013 #086

To Appoint Brent Smith as the Minor Pee Wee Coach for the 2013/14 Season.

H. Cosgrove/S. Nugent

Carried.

D. Nurse abstained.

Motion 04/22/2013 #087

To appoint Joe Bilyea as the Major Bantam Coach for the 2013/14 Season.

H. Cosgrove/B. Smith

Carried.

Motion 04/22/2013 #088

To Appoint David Westaway as the Major Pee Wee coach for the 2013/14 Season.

B. Smith/S. Nugent

Carried.

- there is still the possibility that David's son could make the Chiefs so we will hold off on announcing the appointment until the completion of AAA tryouts.

Motion 04/22/2013 #089

To Appoint Harry Cosgrove as the Bantam AE coach for the 2013/14 Season.

B. Smith/M. Moore

Carried.

The committee is recommending holding off on appointing a coach for Midget AE until after the selection of the Midget A team.

The Selection Committee has also decided to wait until September to determine the Select Team coaches.

Coach Evaluations – the evaluations this year didn't go well, very few responses were received and those that were completed were either really good or really bad. There was no middle ground which is where the via data lies. In order to get a true reflection of a coach we need to get 17 evaluations to determine if there are any common themes or areas for the coach to work on. It was suggested that a Board Member be assigned to each team to hand out and collect hard copy evaluations. It was also suggested that they be done part way through the season and at the end of the season, in order to give the coaches time to make any needed improvements.

Motion 04/22/2013 #090

When coaches evaluations are done, upon request coaches will be furnished with a general summary of results.

L. Matchim/H. Cosgrove

Carried.

Alliance League – we are interested in remaining as a guest in the Alliance League for the upcoming season.

Motion 04/22/2013 #091

To request permission from the OMHA to remain as a guest in the Alliance Seeded League for the 2013/14 Season.

J. Bilyea/B. Smith

Carried.

Motion 04/22/2013 #092

To Accept the Travel Report.

H. Reid/L. Matchim

Carried.

8. Sponsorship Update:

Jamie found a program through McDonalds for AtoMc Hockey, to which we have been accepted for the upcoming season. We will be receiving 4 sets of Jerseys and Socks for the Atom House League. We are still able to solicit additional sponsorship for the Atom teams provided they are not in direct competition with McDonalds. Lisa pointed out the program includes socks which we don't provide in our other leagues so we will need to think about how to handle them.

We also need to develop a sponsorship package which includes all our sponsorship opportunities. Joe would like to see a committee formed that can assist with all sponsorship opportunities teams, Knights Game etc. it's too big of a job for one person.

Lisa M asked why STMHA isn't a Registered Charity. Dale explained that most sport organizations are Not-For-Profits since being a Registered Charity is and more involved process. Dale will investigate further.

9. Special Events Report:

Travel Banquet – the survey results were positive most people liked the changes that were made. The venue was a little small, we will need to book sooner to secure St. Anne's if needed for next year.

Knights Game – we have confirmed the date for the game will be September 14th.

Hieu indicated she will be stepping down from the Board, so someone will need to take over the organization of the Knights Game right away.

10. New Business:

We have the opportunity to bid for the Pee Wee A OHF this year. Discussion was tabled pending discussion with the coach on the competitiveness of the team.

11. Next Meeting:

Dale would like to have a short meeting prior to the AGM to review the financials.
May 13th – 7pm.

12. Adjournment:

Motion 04/22/2013 #093

To Adjourn.

M. Babcock/H. Reid

Carried.