

**St. Thomas Minor Hockey Association  
Board of Directors Meeting  
September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2012**

**In Attendance:** Cindy Hodgins, Hieu Reid, Rick Tales, Mike Moore, Stephen Miron, Lisa Matchim, Dale Nurse, Jamie O'Brien, Brent Smith, Joe Bilyea, Mike Babcock, Scott Nugent, Joe Bilyea

**Regrets:** Chris Smith, Adrian Douglas.

**Ex Officio:** Lisa Smith

**1. Called to Order:**

Meeting was called to order at 8:02pm.

**2. Previous Meeting Minutes:**

***Motion 09/18/2012 #029***

***To accept the Minutes of August 20<sup>th</sup>, 2012.***

***B. Smith/L. Matchim***

***Carried.***

There were no errors or omissions. There was no business arising from the Minutes.

**3. Treasurer's Report:**

Knights Game – brought in \$12,000+ there are still some expenses to be paid – referees, buses and food.

General Income is about the same, Dale will need to get a breakdown of Lottery, Body Checking Clinic and Tryout Fees from Lisa. Revenue is up and Expenses are down from this time last year.

Invoices for Travel Fees and Jersey Fees will be going out shortly – to be paid by Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>. Tournaments fees will be paid back in December.

Invoices for Midget socks and house league jerseys are not in yet. Dale is hoping the deficit will shrink by \$20 - \$25,000.

***Motion 09/18/2012 #030***

***To Accept the Treasurers Report as presented.***

***H. Reid/C. Hodgins***

***Carried.***

**4. Travel Report:**

All teams have been posted and the last team will be doing their jersey fitting tonight.

***Fundraising Requests:***

- The Atom team would like to do a "Glass Turkey" draw with the draw to be done right before Christmas. There were no concerns the team will not be selling tickets at the Major Tournament.
- Novice team has asked to do a "glass turkey" and candy kabobs at the tournament – there were no issues with the requests. Kuma must ok the sale of the Candy Kabobs.

*Shamrock Report* – the OMHA will be encouraging Associations to assign a “Head Trainer” for the Association to address any issue, they will then be able to go to Ray Gowan, from the OMHA with any questions. The Shamrock is look at possibly making use of the ONEDB for score reporting and standings.

*Bantam A/AE* – so far the fall-out has been favourable, the team was given permission to stay in the Shamrock Bantam AE loop. They have been granted permission to stay in all their original tournaments and reclassification looks favourable. The excess goalie will be going to Lambeth on goaltender relief.

*Alliance Report* – the scheduling went ok this year but the Alliance is looking at limiting the number of tournaments a team can enter in the first half of the season. It became difficult to schedule for teams with more than 2 tournaments in the first half.

***Motion 09/18/2012 #031***

***To Accept the Travel Report as presented.***

***J. Bilyea/S. Nugent***

***Carried.***

**6. House League Report:**

- Coaching requests are going well
- We have about 100 kids in Novice House league, so shuffling of kids up to atom or down to IP2 may be necessary.
- We still do not have an Atom Convenor, so Lisa M will need help with the evaluation skates starting Oct. 1.
- The Parkside class is on board again this year, Lisa M has been to visit the class and they will be attending the CHIPs clinic on Sept. 29<sup>th</sup>. They will be responsible to drill planning during practices and they will be attending Board Meetings to get a better idea of the behind the scenes work.
- There will be a convenors meeting on Thursday.

***Motion 09/18/2012 #032***

***To Accept the House League Report as presented.***

***J. O'Brien/M. Moore***

***Carried.***

**7. Special Events Report:**

*Knights Game* - went ok – next year we need to look at making sure jobs are organized beforehand. It is a busy weekend with Challenge Cup soccer going on. Attendance was about 1192 – next year we need to make better use of Social Media to promote the event. The committee should do a review of what went well and how to improve for next year. Period Sponsors were undervalued and we need to be better prepared further ahead of the event. Adrian had an opportunity to speak with the Plymouth Whalers about the expenses and we should look at negotiating things differently for next year. Joe will send a thank-you letter to both the Knights and Whalers.

*Tournament Report* – Adrian has agreed to be the Tournament Co-ordinator. Awards need to be ordered for both tournaments, we should get quotes similar to the other large expenses. We also need to evaluate our tournaments to ensure they remain profitable.

**8. Power Skating:**

Brent priced out the cost to have TPH come in and run power skating with our IP and IP2 leagues, 8 sessions would cost approximately \$1500.00.

**Motion 09/18/2012 #033**

**To ask TPH to run 6 power skating session for IP and IP2 at the cost of approximately \$2200 using existing league ice times.**

**B. Smith/S. Nugent**

**Carried.**

We should also request that TPH allow some coaches to be on the ice during the session, to ensure they are learning too and can continue to build on the lessons.

**9. Coaching Clinics:**

We will be running both a CHIPS and Coach Steam clinic on September 29<sup>th</sup>.

**10. Midget Busses:**

We will need to start booking busses for the Midget teams – Lisa indicated that the office was too busy right now, if someone else could look after things it would be helpful. Cindy will assist with the bookings.

**11. New Business:**

Email Votes – Joe reminded everyone that we still need to follow Robert Rules when conducting votes via email. We had way more issues that required immediate attention than we have had in the past. One exception to the rules seemed to open the flood gates to more requests. Next year we need to use the strength of the Board to handle the hard sessions/questions, once a decision is made the whole Board must stand behind it.

House League – we need to tighten up on mandatory criminal records checks for house league coaches and determine the best way to handle them.

Other items for future meeting – evaluation of our registration process and volunteer recognition.

**12. Next Meeting:**

October 15<sup>th</sup> – 8:00pm

**13. Adjournment:**

**Motion 09/18/2012 #034**

**To Adjourn.**

**L. Matchim/S. Nugent**

**Carried.**