

**St. Thomas Minor Hockey Association
Board of Directors Meeting
April 14, 2014
Ohi-Ontario Room**

In Attendance: Rick Tales, Dale Nurse, Joe Bilyea, Derek MacMillan, Jamie O'Brien, Adrian Douglas, Lisa Matchim, Tim Coombs, Todd McIntyre, Mike Moore, Brent Smith, Cindy Hodgins, Scott Nugent.

Regrets: Mike Babcock, Angela King.

Ex Officio: Lisa Smith

1. Call to Order:

Meeting was called to order at 7pm.

2. Previous Meeting Minutes:

Motion 04/14/2014 #098

To Accept the Minutes of March 17, 2014 as presented.

T. McIntyre/D. MacMillan

Carried.

There were no errors or omissions.

There was no business arising.

3. Treasurer's Report:

Dale was happy to report the deficit was gone. There last large bill to be paid will be Ansell's for the year end plaques. The cheque from Bluewater for playdown expenses is still to come, and that along with the outstanding sponsorships will keep the account positive.

Scott asked Dale for a list of outstanding sponsorships to help with collection.

Overall Registration Revenue was up, Sponsorship was up and there is \$8400 in GIC for jersey replacement.

Motion 04/14/2014 #099

To Accept the Treasurer's Report.

S. Nugent/B. Smith

Carried.

4. 2014/15 Budget:

Dale has left in a \$15000 surplus to pay of the deficit that might not be needed. There were increases for Ice, Referees, Timekeepers. So an increase of \$10 in Registration Fees is required.

Early Registration Fee will be: \$535 – includes the Lottery Fee (24 x \$100)

Tryout Fee: \$65

Motion 04/14/2014 #100

To Accept the 2014/15 Budget as proposed.

L. Matchim/M. Moore

Carried.

5. Rules & Regulations:

Joe asked if there were any questions on the proposed changes.

Brent questioned the equipment section – at one time there was a clause stating that Travel players were required to have black gloves, pants and helmets. Nobody could recall when or why it was removed, so it was added back in under Reg. 7 b).

Motion 04/14/2014 #101

To accept the updated version of the Rules and Regulations.

J. Bilyea/T. McIntyre

Carried.

Lisa make the necessary changes noting the recent changes and referencing Board Motions for new additions to give future boards a better understanding of the regulations.

6. AGM:

Is booked for May 14th @ John Wise Public School. We are going to put the information in the newspaper with a note to check the web site for the Notice of Motions.

For members who's term of office is up, please let Lisa know if you are interested in returning.

7. Long Term Planning Committee:

There was a meeting with the interested centres and the OMHA and a lot of questions were asked. They were able to find out that a typical "A" centre has registration of 500-800 and a "AA" centre has between 800-1100. The paper work needs to be filed with the OMHA by March 31 for the next season. There are amalgamation talks going on all around us. The information is up on our web site and an email address has been set up for questions. A couple of the associations have AGM coming up in the next couple of weeks and we will have a better idea of what their memberships think after that.

8. Travel Report:

Alliance Report – The Alliance recently held a clinic to train body contact instructors and many associations are making their 1st tryout for Minor Bantam a mandatory body checking clinic.

Motion 04/14/2014 #102

To add a Mandatory Body Checking clinic for Minor Bantam players – cost \$20.

B. Smith/A. Douglas

Carried.

Alliance League play for 2014-15:

Motion 04/14/2014 #103

To request permission from the OMHA for the Minor Novice & Minor Atom to Midget teams to play as a guest in the Alliance MD (M. Novice) and Alliance Seeded Leagues for the 2014-15 Season.

J. Bilyea/S. Nugent

Carried.

Shamrock Report – AGM was tonight.

Coaching Applications – 26 applications in total, none were received for Minor Bantam and Midget AE was only picked as a second choice for 2 applicants. The Selection Committee will review the applications and create a short list for interviews.

Tryouts – Minor Novice tryouts should be scheduled to take place around the same time as Novice and AE.

Motion 04/14/2014 #104

To Accept the Travel Report as presented.

J. O'Brien/T. Coombs

Carried.

9. Registration:

In order to be closer to the Wi-Fi to process credit card payments, Lisa suggested booking the Ohio-Ontario Room instead of the Lobby.

Tim presented a request from the Ice Breakers to run a mouth guard clinic at our Registration Nights – in exchange they will pay us \$5 for every mouth guard purchased.

Motion 04/14/2014 #105

To book the mouth guard clinics with the Ice Breakers as a fundraising event for both groups.

L. Matchim/T. Coombs

Carried.

The Board reviewed the policies and late fees there were no changes to be made.

10. House League Report:

Midget/Juvenile House League – Lisa proposed that the league games be decreased to 1.25 hr and the length of the season increased in an effort to decrease the goal differential. This will also mean players are not at the arena until 11pm on a school night.

Motion 04/14/2014 #105

To decrease Midget/Juvenile games to 1.25hr and extend the length of the season.

L. Matchim/D. MacMillan

Carried.

We need someone to inventory the goalie equipment and discard/fix/and replace what needs it.

Motion 04/14/2014 #106

To Accept the House League Report.

J. O'Brien/C. Hodgins

Carried.

11. Tournament Dates:

Major Tournament – October 17-19

AE Tournament – November 21-23

Tyke Tournament – February 20-22

12. New Business:

Jerseys – we will need to look at purchasing new Jerseys for Minor Novice if a full time team is put in place. Discussion was tabled until we have determined the number of Select teams we will have.

Concussion Base-Line Testing – is this something we should look at implementing for the Association. There are pro's and con's to baseline testing. Further discussion was tabled until options and protocols could be investigated.

Jersey Deposits – once Mike has checked and completed the jersey inventory we should determine how to handle the jersey deposits.

Motion 04/14/2014 #107

That the team managers be informed that all jersey deposit cheques will be destroyed on May 15th – anyone wishing to have their cheque returned must notify the office prior to that date.

A. Douglas/S. Nugent

Carried.

13. Next Meeting:

May 12th – 7pm.

14. Adjournment:

Motion 04/14/2014 #108

Meeting Adjourned.

C. Hodgins/T. McIntyre

Carried.