

**St. Thomas Minor Hockey
Board of Directors Meeting
July 15, 2014
Knights of Columbus Hall**

In Attendance: Angela King, Joe Bilyea, Adrian Douglas, Dale Nurse, Mike Moore, Rick Tales, Jamie O'Brien, Scott Nugent, Derek MacMillan, Brent Smith, Chris Holder, Tim Smart, Tim Coombs.

Regrets: Todd McIntyre, Mike Babcock.

Ex. Officio: Lisa Smith

1. Called to Order:

Meeting was called to order at 7pm.

2. Previous Meeting Minutes:

There were no errors or omissions from the previous meeting minutes.

Motion 07/15/2014 #018

To accept the minutes of June 23rd, 2014 as presented.

M. Moore/C. Holder

Carried.

There was no business arising from the minutes.

3. Treasurer's Report:

Registration is catching up, Dale estimates our income would be higher compared to last year with what has come in since the last meeting. Coaches have requested there tournament payments earlier this year, almost all have been paid out.

Motion 07/15/2014 #019

To Accept the Treasurer's Report as presented.

B. Smith/A. King

Carried.

4. Travel Report:

Atom request to miss tryouts – we received a request for Nolan Tales to miss tryouts due to medical reasons. A recent surgery may prevent him from attending tryouts. There is no concern with his ability to make the team.

Motion 07/15/2014 #020

To Allow Nolan Tales to miss 2 of 3 tryouts for medical reasons. A Doctors note will be provided.

A. Douglas/B. Smith

Carried.

Minor Bantam Body Checking Clinic – requests were received from 2 families who will out of town for the body checking clinic. Even though this age group has already taken the body checking clinic in the past it is important for safety and development. The families are looking into attending a different clinic, but they have not confirmed a location yet.

Motion 07/15/2014 #021

To allow JD Jakobi & Devon Kaplanis to miss the body checking clinic provided the players complete an appropriate clinic prior to the first league game.

A. Douglas/J. Bilyea

Carried.

Major Bantam – Terry Johnson has requested use of the STMHA logo for new pants shells for his team. He is working on prices with Tommy Whites Source for Sports and he will provide us with the information in case other coaches are interested.

There was a concern with the addition of “extra’s” (clothing, equipment, ice, # of tournaments etc) in the team budgets should we be concerned that team budgets are getting too big? Derek suggested we could put a cap on team budgets, it is done in other centres but it would take some investigation to come up with a number. Right now our teams are being reasonable, but it wouldn’t hurt to get their a budget pre-season as a precaution.

Motion 07/15/2014 #022

To amend Regulation 19 to include a pre-season budget.

J. Bilyea/D. Nurse

Carried.

Motion 07/15/2014 #023

To give the Bantam A team permission to use the STMHA logo on pant shells.

B. Smith/S. Nugent

Carried.

Tournament Requests – all Alliance teams have sent in their tournament requests, we are just waiting for a couple of Shamrock teams to finalize their tournaments.

Alliance Report – there was nothing to report, no meeting.

Shamrock Report – the scheduling form must be submitted by August 1st. Questions were raised regarding the Parent Respect in Sport. Initially associations were told players could not go on the ice until the Parent RIS had been completed, now they have been told players cannot be approved on a roster until it is complete. Shamrock has approved the addition of a Novice AE loop this season, there are 16-18 centres interested. It will be a mix of teams, some will be entering 7 year old teams and others will be true AE teams or weaker Rep teams.

Motion 07/15/2014 #024

To Accept the Shamrock Report.

B. Smith/J. O’Brien

Carried.

Midget A/AE – Brent has spoken to Mike Butler who would be interested in coaching the Midget A team. He has been an Assistant Coach and Trainer with the team in the past.

Motion 07/15/2014 #025

To Appoint Mike Butler as the Midget A coach for the 2014/15 season.

B. Smith/J. O’Brien

Carried.

J. Bilyea & A. Douglas abstained.

Travel Socks – Scott provided a price for the pro-model socks vs the regular knit ones, cost is almost double. If we want to change over to them in the future it would have to be looked at during the budget process. Scott will place the order for this year.

Motion 07/15/2014 #026

To Accept the Travel Report.

M. Moore/J. O'Brien

Carried.

5. House League Report:

Jamie is starting to fill in the convenor spots. We have talked about adding more responsibility to their job description so Jamie will review and update the Convenor's Manual developed by Lisa Matchim.

Motion 07/15/2014 #027

To Accept the House League Report.

A. King/D. Nurse

Carried.

6. House League Jerseys:

We received a quote from London Source for Sports their price is down \$2 from what they quoted last year. The jersey also comes in 4 sizes in youth and 5 in adult, which would eliminate the sizing problem we had last year in IP2 and Novice. Adrian will contact Tommy Whites for a quote as well.

7. Long Range Planning Committee:

The Committee was under the impression the OMHA wanted the boundaries for the proposed new association drawn up and submitted for approval. But they have now learned the OMHA would like everything finalized before submission, so they will keep plugging away.

8. Registration Report:

It was busy at the registration the previous night but it is too soon to give an update.

9. Special Events:

The Elgin Mall is hosting the Leafs Mobile Fan Zone on July 26th as part of the event they will receive 2 tickets to an upcoming game that can be used for a door prize. They would like to donate the prize to Minor Hockey to use as fundraiser. We would need to be on hand to sell the tickets during the event. We are waiting to confirm the time of the event. Jamie will look into getting a signed Leafs jersey that could be added to the prize package.

10. Sponsorship Report:

Currently there are 4 teams without confirmed sponsors, but Tim has 2 strong leads. Pharmasave would be interested in helping out with the Leafs event in some way. Tim will start sending the information to Dale for invoices and to Scott who will coordinate and order sponsor bars.

11. Concussion Testing:

Derek pointed out that currently we have no policy in place regarding concessions or baseline testing. We need to investigate what opportunities we can and should provide. Dave Humphries with the Panthers ran a baseline testing night last year that was well attended, perhaps we should ask Dave to come in and speak further on the subject.

12. New Business:

With the new information gathered at the Shamrock Tim presented a new option for the Novice A/AE team this season. Instead of offering a Novice A ('06) and Tyke MD ('07) he has suggested combing the birth years and having 2 teams – picking the best 17 for the A team first then the next 17 for the AE team. Tim thought it might be better for player development if they were playing at a more suitable level at Novice. Plus then our teams would be operating the same as the rest of the Shamrock centres. The following concerns were raised:

- The timing of the change, tryouts have been posted to operate as '06 & '07 teams for a few months now.
- Once the players reach Minor Atom the teams would be comprised of only 1 age year depending on the number of '07 that make the A team, several players would have to make the jump from Shamrock Novice AE to Alliance Minor Atom A/AA.
- Why change our programming model of 1 year age groupings for Novice?

In order to investigate the change the board would need to rescind Motion 05/14/2014 #001. No motion was put forth.

13. Next Meeting:

August 18th – 7pm

14. Adjournment:

Motion 07/15/2014 #028

To Adjourn.

A. King/J. Bilyea

Carried.