

St. Thomas Minor Hockey Association
Board of Directors Meeting
July 22, 2021 @ 6pm

In Attendance: Joe Doyle, Dale Nurse, Diana Wilson, Cory Stuart, Sean Nicholson, Sandy Gillis, Jamie O'Brien, Matt MacFarlane and John Hartman

Regrets: Lisa Vaughan, Chris Jones, Mike Moore, Matt Bowes, Ryan Farquhar, Kate Gryp and Ex. Officio: Vicki Fenn

1. Called to Order: Meeting was called to order at 6:01 pm

2. Previous Meeting Minutes:

**Motion 07/21/2021 #11 To Approve the minutes of June 23, 2021, Monthly meeting
S.Nicholson/D.Nurse Carried**

There were no errors or omissions. There was no business arising from previous minutes.

3. Treasurers' report

- \$180,000 Bank Balance compared to \$95,000 this time last year
- Loan for government loans, down to \$24,000
- OMHA insurance refund of \$5800
- Registrations about \$85,300 (ppl 220) so far

Discussion: Sean Nicholson volunteered to be the contact for Hockey TV along with Vicki Fenn. We would like user accounts/passwords to roll forward. Kate Gryp is asked to be on top of getting the Panthers Organization schedule to be submitted to HockeyTV.

**Motion 07/22/2021 #12
Motion to approve treasurers report
J.O'Brien/M.MacFarlane**

Carried

4. Long Range and Travel Report:

Coaches:

- AE Coach Applications were activated a few weeks back on the website
- So far, we have had 2 coaches apply for both for Atom AE and 2 coaches apply for both for Bantam AE – interviews are pending
- Still require interest to at the PeeWee AE level. Diana will reach out to Chris Wilkins as he has coached in the past to see if he had any interest.

Alliance:

- Monthly meeting was July 13th, Structure Meeting will be held on July 28th for the seeded scheduling for 2021-2022 season
- Body Checking Clinics have been approved to start August 23, 2021 – These sessions are classified as Skills Sessions and may only consist of body checking instruction.
- Goalie Clinics have been approved to start August 23, 2021 – These sessions are classified as Skills Sessions and may only consist of goaltending instruction.
- All Tier 1 Rep Teams will from U10 (Minor Atom)-U18(Midget) will compete exclusively in the Alliance Seeded League for regular season and playdowns. This agreement between the two Member Partners (OMHA and Alliance) is in place through the 2023-2024 season at the request of the STMHA board.

Discussion: Diana passed along Mike's emailed notes regarding STMHA possibly applying to be a host of the Alliance Championship Tournament.

Motion 07/22/2021 #13

Motion to have Mike Moore apply to Alliance to be a Host for the Alliance Championship Tournament.

Diana/J.O'Brien

Carried

Shamrock:

- Virtual meeting for July – Joe, Matt and Sean were present
- Adding games to run at full capacity
- TBD on playoffs/playdown structure
- AE teams will be moving to the new tiered system that OMHA is introducing come the 2022-2023 season.

Discussion: Joe and Sean purposed to submit a request for the AE teams to start the tiered system now and request to OMHA that St. Thomas be classed as a CC/C centre. This would allow for the teams to play more competitive hockey playing centres like Belmont, East Lambton, Lucan and Aylmer.

Motion 07/22/2021 #13

Motion to submit a request to OMHA to apply for the CC/C status, rather than BB/B

J.Doyle/J.O'Brien

Carried

House League/Local League

U9B – This is the new local league for the U8 (2014) players. They will compete in the Lambton Local League. Sandy is requesting access to the STMHA Website to post a few communications regarding coach applications

Motion to accept Travel/Local League /House League report

J.Hartman/S.Nicholson

Carried

5. Ice Report:

Ice will be available Sept. 7th. The city has suggested that things will run on regular time (per-covid)

6. 2020/2021 Tournaments

Update: Joe and Vicki were able to secure full day for Fridays and ½ day for Saturdays in Aylmer for our STMHA tournament weekends.

7. Registration:

- Continues – we have extended the early bird pricing for the season
- 220 registered so far

9. Sponsorship

Lisa and her executive committee have secured \$30,000 plus in sponsorships for the up coming season
Discussion: Thinking of other ways to support the Home Hardware Hockey Day – Ideas brought forward were Raffles (Online and Live).

10. Disciplinary Committee -Nothing to Report

11. New Business

12. Next Board meeting Date and Time TBD

Adjournment:

Motion 07/21/2021 #14 To Adjourn the meeting

Matt MacFarlane/ S.Nicholson

Carried.