

**St. Thomas Minor Hockey  
Board of Directors Meeting  
July 12, 2010  
Elgin Mall**

**In Attendance:** Chris Smith, Troy Carlson, Kevin Rickwood, Cindy Hodgins, Rob Clark, Sheila Nesbitt, Peter Ostojic, Derek MacMillan, Charmaine Goddeeris, Steve Wooley, Lois Corkum.

**Regrets:** Dave Thomson, Rhonda Rickwood, Harry Cosgrove, Adrian Douglas, Mike Brisson.

**Ex. Officio:** Lisa Smith

**1. Called to Order:**  
Meeting was called to order at 6:36pm.

**2. Previous Meeting Minutes:**

***Motion 07/12/2010 #008  
To Accept the Minutes of the June 7, 2010 Board Meeting.  
S. Woolley/P. Ostojic***

***Carried.***

There were no errors or omissions from the previous meeting.

**3. Business Arising from the Previous Meeting:**

Chris informed the Board on the Incorporated status had not been received back, it has been 4 ½ weeks since it's submission. We have missed the July 1<sup>st</sup> deadline for Trillium Grant applications, so we will have to wait for the next deadline, which is November 1<sup>st</sup>. Steve asked how long the process took, Chris indicated it should take approximately 45 days from the application date.

**4. Travel Report:**

*Bantam Travel* – there were some concerns with the # of players registered to tryout for Bantam Travel. OMHA guidelines state we have to field a Major team first. Chris has spoken to Adrian and he indicated he thought he would be able to find 2 more players. Possible options on where to play were discussed. The team has always been weaker, and putting them in a league where they will definitely fail will only deter more players from participating.

***Motion 07/12/2010 #009  
To apply for the Major Bantam ('96) team to participate in the Shamrock league for the 2010/11 Season.***

***D. MacMillan/C. Hodgins***

***Carried.***

There was some concerns with flipping back and forth between leagues. Chris pointed out this will only be for one year, the '97 age group is strong. Peter wondered if we might have concerns with the '98 age group as well, we will keep an eye on their registration.

*Midget Travel* – the number of players registered was reviewed to determine which teams we should ice for 2010/11.

**Motion 07/12/2010 #010**

**To offer a Midget A and Midget AE team for 2010/11.**

**D. MacMillan/P.Ostojic**

**Carried.**

The teams worked well last year and the Midget AE had a very successful season.

*Alliance Report* – Steve reported the Alliance had reviewed the “Made for Ontario Plan” provided by the OMHA and they had some concerns. There are changes to the Fighting Major’s that the coaches need to be aware of prior to the season. There will be no leniency for “we didn’t know”

*Midget OHF* – we have the opportunity to bid for the Midget A OHF, Chris has spoken with John and he indicated team could be competitive and would be interested in hosting. Steve wondered what advantages there are to hosting, does it generate funds for the Association. Lisa indicated the last time we hosted the Atom A, we almost broke even. Chris indicated there was one particular area in which we could decrease costs. Hosting such an event is a great opportunity for the players and it is a great way for the Association to showcase itself.

**Motion 07/12/2010 #011**

**To bid for the Midget A OHF.**

**D. MacMillan/C. Goddeeris**

**Carried.**

**5. Special Events:**

*Knights Game* – Adrian is going to take the lead on this event. Lisa indicated tickets are being printed by Impressions and Wendy’s was secured as a sponsor.

*Jr Stars Day* – Sheila would like to see a more specific name for the day, when it’s referred to as “Stars Day” it can be confused with the Jr. B Stars – it was decided to call it “JR. STARS DAY”. Other items for the day will include:

- Sean for Source will be on hand that day so people can purchase St. Thomas Minor Hockey apparel, he will also have a special edition sweat shirt for sale that will raise funds for the Association.
- The sale of car decals and hockey socky hats as fundraising items.
- Possible lunch special being offered at Boston Pizza or another restaurant.
- Getting a signed Jersey for a raffle.

**6. House League Report:**

Kevin had nothing new to report. Chris thanked Kevin for the Convener’s document that was circulated and asked for everyone to provide feedback to Kevin. This will be given to the Convenor’s prior to the start of the season. Lisa asked if we should advertise for Convenor openings on the web site? It was decided this would be a good idea.

**7. Registration Update:**

*Registration #'s* - Lisa indicated there are approximately 525 Registrations received to date – 385 have been entered into the HCR to date.

*Fee Request* – Chris read a request received from a parent for a decrease in fees. Due to a long distance custody agreement the boys miss weekend games to be with Dad. While the Board understands the difficulties faced by the family, this could open the doors to many such request's making budgeting, team selection etc very difficult. It was determined that if they boys missed half of their Saturday games they would miss approximately 20% of their total ice time.

***Motion 07/12/2010 #012***

***To Deny the request for a reduced fee.***

***S. Woolley/D. MacMillan***

***Carried.***

**8. New Business:**

Office Closure – Lisa requested the office be closed from July 19<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> so that she could take some holidays.

**9. Next Meeting Date:**

August 16<sup>th</sup>, 2010 6:30pm location to be determined.

***Motion 07/12/2010 #013***

***To Adjourn.***

***L. Corkum/S. Woolley***

***Carried.***