

**St. Thomas Minor Hockey Association
Board of Directors Meeting
September 13, 2010**

In Attendance: Troy Carlson, Kevin Rickwood, Rhonda Rickwood, Cindy Hodgins, Lois Corkum, Sheila Nesbitt, Dave Thomson, Adrian Douglas, Chris Smith, Derek MacMillan, Steve Woolley.

Regrets: Harry Cosgrove, Rob Clark, Charmaine Goddeeris, Peter Ostojic.

Ex Officio: Lisa Smith

1. Call to Order:

Meeting was called to order at 6:39pm.

2. Minutes from the Previous Meeting:

There were no errors or omission from the previous minutes.

Motion 09/13/2010 #031

To Approve the Minutes of August 16, 2010.

D. Thomson/A. Douglas

Carried.

Chris informed the Board the Midget OHF bid went in last week and we should hear back in about a week or so.

3. Business Arising from the Minutes:

There was no business arising.

4. Special Events Report:

Golf Tournament – Dave thanked all those who have gotten prizes for the tournament. We still need 32 more golfers, we should have 72 to 100 golfers. Dave was disappointed with the turn-out and suggested next year we look at ways to make it different.

Stars Day – Source for Sports is coming with toques, ball caps, sock hats and will be taking orders for a limited edition hoodie. It was suggested we should get quotes on these items perhaps we can get a better deal. Sheila is hoping to have 3 or 4 door prizes that we can tickets on all day. Sheila will order the car decals, it was determined we should purchase 1000 and sell them for \$5.00.

5. House League Report:

Kevin will be meeting with all the conveners, we still need Conveners for Atom and IP – it is posted on the web site. Troy suggested we purchase road hockey equipment for the IP program. The IP program will have 6 teams with approximately 18 players each. IP has 3 Tuesday ice slots (4:45, 5:45 & 6:45)there were so many people asking to not get the early practice time it was decided the teams will rotate.

6. Tournament Report:

Lisa provided a recap of the number of teams registered.

Major Tournament:	AE Tournament:
Novice – 8	Atom AE – 9
Atom – 6	Pee Wee AE – 6
Pee Wee – 6	Bantam AE – 7
Bantam – 3	Midget AE – 8
Midget – 5	

7. Travel Report:

Derek received a request from Pee Wee AE for a short roster, he attended the teams last skate and clearly identified 1 skater who didn't fit.

Motion 09/13/2010 #032

To allow the Pee Wee AE team to go with 14 skaters and 2 goalies.

D. Macmillan/L. Corkum

It was pointed out that the AE program is suppose to be a development program, so why aren't we. If a player really wants to play, why aren't we giving the opportunity to develop? Coaches in the past have gone to house league to recruit players for the program.

Motion 09/13/2010 #032

To allow the Pee Wee AE team to go with 14 skaters and 2 goalies, with the recommendation that they recruit some APs from house league to further develop more players.

D. MacMillan/L. Corkum

Carried.

Pee Wee Request for decreased fees – It was pointed out this has only been granted in the past when not enough players attended tryouts – this team made cuts, so the request was denied.

Two players showed up for tryouts without paying the tryout fee, Lisa will invoice the families.

The Atom AE coach was selected, there was only one applicant.

We received a request from a player to move down from Midget A to Midget AE. The player was not released from the Midget A team so the Rules and Regulations state he should go to house league. The family indicated the request is school related but there is no difference in time commitment between the teams.

Motion 09/13/2010 #033

To allow Brad Holder to move to Midget AE.

D. MacMillan/A.Douglas

Not Carried.

Opposed – 9, Abstained – 1 conflict.

8. New Business:

Tryouts for 2011/12 – the new tryout progression will require changes to our tryout process. The Made for Ontario plan does not take into account the Alliance teams, the Alliance has reviewed the Plan and will be putting forth their own plan. The Made for Ontario plan will have to go the member ship for approval. The OMHA is also looking at ways to amalgamate smaller centres to create more A/AA zones. We will have to come up with a process to incorporate out of town tryouts, AAA tryouts etc. Chris has spoken to Steve Kenney from the Chiefs about sitting down to establish a better process. Steve pointed out we should also consider Soccer and Baseball etc. The tryout rules also need to be better communicated to the parents.

Derek will Chair a Tryout Committee, if you are interested in sitting on that committee let Derek know.

Short Rosters – should we be concerned with the number of teams carrying a short roster? (5 out of 12) or should we consider decreasing our min #?

9. Next Meeting Date:

Monday Oct. 18, 6:30pm

Motion 09/13/2010 #034

To Adjourn.

D. MacMillan/T. Carlson

Carried.