

**St. Thomas Minor Hockey Board of Directors Meeting
January 25, 2011
Ohi-Ontario Room**

In Attendance: Mike Brisson, Derek MacMillan, Adrian Douglas, Dave Thomson, Sheila Nesbitt, Peter Ostojic, Rhonda Rickwood, Lois Corkum, Harry Cosgrove, Kevin Rickwood, Chris Smith, Troy Carlson, Charmaine Goddeeris, Cindy Hodgins, Steve Woolley.

Regrets: Rob Clark.

Ex. Officio: Lisa Smith

1. Meeting Called to Order:

Meeting was called to order at 7:05pm.

2. Approval of Previous Minutes:

Motion #046 01/25/2011

To Approve the Minutes of December 16th, 2010.

P. Ostojic/D. Thomson

Carried.

There was no business arising.

Motion #047 01/25/2011

To Approve the Minutes of January 11, 2011-02-09

T. Carlson/R. Rickwood

Carried.

3. Made for Ontario Plan:

The OMHA held a special AGM to approve the Made for Ontario plan – after a lengthy debate 70% of the Membership voted in favour of the Made for Ontario plan. It is up to each Association to decide if they will accept Non Resident Players (NRP's).

London Jr Knights will be accepting NRP's the Forest City teams will not.

Gogglemaps is the best way to determine the closest Centre – St. Thomas will use the main post office branch on Talbot St to determine distances. It will up to the Home Centre who issues the players "passport" to determine where they are eligible to tryout.

Chris reminded everyone that tampering rules are in place and under no circumstance should anyone be recruiting players.

Motion #048 01/25/2011

To allow travel teams, Minor Pee Wee and above to accept up to 3 Non Resident Players as per OMHA motion 3.5 iii). NRP selection will be at the Coaches Discretion. The acceptance of NRP's will be evaluated on a yearly basis.

D. Macmillan/P. Ostojic

Carried.

4. Alliance Report:

The Semi Annual Meeting is next weekend, so there is nothing new to report.

5. OMHA Report:

At the last meeting most of the discussion was about playoffs and playdowns. League play is to be complete February 6th, with a one week grace period to February 14th.

6. House League Report:

House League Final day will be March 5th – Charmaine will order trophies/medals.

We had a request from a London team to play a teams from our House League – the team is Juvenile and they play no body contact.

Motion #049 01/25/2010

To all a team comprised of players from the Midget/Juvenile House league to play an exhibition game against London.

K. Rickwood/D. Thomson

Defeated.

7. Disciplinary Committee:

An appeal was received from the “X” Family, they feel the real issues have been put aside. Peter reviewed the steps taken by the Disciplinary Committee to date. Chris has spoken to Bill Hutton, Risk Management with the OMHA and he feels everything is in order. One concern raised was the families removal from the Team mailing list – Derek will ensure the players remains on the teams mailing list as he is still welcome to attend games and practices.

Motion #050 01/25/2011

To deny the Appeal of Mr. “X”.

P. Ostojic/D. Thomson

Carried.

Chris will inform the family.

8. Administrative Review:

The Review Committee – Harry, Adrian, Cindy, and Sheila met and established a plan for the review – each member was assigned a specific area to review and they report back at the next meeting. They realized that the Board has failed to recognize all that is being done and things like vacation and wages haven’t been reviewed. If anyone has anything they would like to add to the review please email Sheila.

9. Tyke Tournament:

We have 24 Tyke and 6 Novice teams. The Tyke division will be run as in the past with teams playing 2 seeding games and then slotted in 3 divisions. Novice will have 2 pools of 3 teams.

Charmaine will order the medals. Rhonda and Charmaine will look into giveaways – the hats from last year were great. Mike will work out the Board Schedule.

10. Ice Report:

The only concern raised was with the Atom AE, who was much higher – Lisa pointed out that they pick up a lot of the extra ice that is offered up. Lisa explained that once everyone has received their practice

time is there is any unused ice it is sent out to all the Coaches to pick-up – if more than one team requests the time; it is awarded to the team with the lower hours.

The City had notified us that the Ringette Tournament scheduled for Feb. 18-20 had been cancelled and the ice previously blacked out was now available for purchase. Lisa suggested purchasing the ice back to run an additional house league time, the season set to end March 5th. The addition of this weekend will put the house league over their ice allotment for the year by 3 hours, but it will mean they don't miss 2 Saturdays in a row leading into the final weekend.

Motion #051 01/25/2011

To Purchase additional ice for the House League programs on Saturday Feb. 19th.

M. Brisson/K. Rickwood

Carried.

Lisa indicated that lately we have had excess ice the teams aren't interested in using; we have also been contracted by the Chiefs who are in need of ice so she wanted to make sure nobody has a problem with returning ice so it can be purchased by another user group.

Motion #052 01/25/2011

To return unused ice to the City for resale to other user groups.

H. Cosgrove/S. Woolley

Carried.

Lisa wondered about how to handle ice after teams have been eliminated for the season. Past practice has been to give the team one last practice time. Concern was raised over teams who have entered late tournaments. In future this is something that needs to be clarified with the coaches prior to approving late tournaments. It was determined teams eliminated for the season who have entered a late tournament should receive 1 practice hour a week until the end of March.

11. New Business:

Budget Committee – the Budget Committee (Peter, Chris, Derek, Kevin & Charmaine) will meet February 17th – to review the budget for 2011/12.

Lottery – Lisa will generate a list for the Lottery so the winners can be announced March 5th. Mike and Sheila will look after drawing the names.

Travel Banquet – April 10th or 17th – Mike will book St. Anne's and look after trophies, Chris will look after the food, Cindy will be in charge of door prizes.

Peter announced to the Board that he is considering seeking nomination for the PC party for this fall's election. Chris wished Peter luck.

Motion #053 01/25/2011

To Adjourn.

L. Corkum/C. Goddeeris

Carried.