



STITTSVILLE MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

Stittsville Minor Hockey Association

Tuesday February 18, 2014

Sobeys Stittsville

Attendance: Mike Clarkson*, Jacqueline Kimmerly*, Chris Weir*, Chris St. Germain*, Tim Sheehan*, Patti Bokij*, Rob Smith, John McGetrick, Patrick Drouin, Megan Austin, Jeff McNamee

*denotes voting Executive members

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm with Mike Clarkson chairing.

a) Approval of Agenda

b) Approval of Minutes

c) Conflict of Interest

Due to the lack of voting members present quorum could not be established. All items requiring voting were tabled; and conflicts none. As a result, this was not a formal meeting.

2. D4 + LCMHL Update – Mike Clarkson

LCMHL – Mike reported there is a lot of upset at the Midget level. There has been a push from within our association to do an internal Midget House League. This has been inquired about, with the response being, it won't be allowed. There has been a Bantam team within our own association with no wins in league games all season. There have been numerous cases of scores being ran up across the league. There was an incident in Winnipeg involving a player and referee, with a video of the incident being put on YouTube.

D4 – The new fees being raised from HEO are due to insurance costs. The representation structure of the HEO is flawed – with 70 percent of fees coming from Minor Hockey associations; but these associations only having 30 percent of the votes. Coach qualifications for next season will be staying the same – no changes, as previously suggested. Mouthguards are no longer mandatory in ODMHA. This was never a policy besides at branch level. There is no policy in most associations across Ontario. Teams are governed by their home associations. This is a parental choice and individual preferences.

3. VP Finance Update – Chris St. Germain

Chris reported that all accounting is up to date. The SMHA is projected to end the year with a surplus, however the amount is dependent on the amount of ice that is returned at the end of the year. The RAMS will complete the season on a break even basis and remain with a surplus. We need to start the budgeting process for next year to understand the impact of the increase in fees from the HEO. Chris would also like to know the dollar amount needed for replacement jerseys for next season.

4. VP Support Services Update – Clinics, Registration, Website, PRCs – Charlene McEney

Char was unable to attend the meeting. Communications was discussed and it was decided that information regarding upcoming AGM needs to be posted and sent out to the members. Requests for changes to constitution and nominations for the Rory Bradley volunteer award also need to go out.

5. Director of House – Ryan Goodwin

Ryan was unable to attend the meeting – no report.

6. Director of Hockey Development – David Joseph

David was unable to attend the meeting – no report.

7. VP Operations - Tim Sheehan

Tim, Mike and Craig will be meeting with Shad Quadri (Counsellor) and a representative from the City of Ottawa upstairs at the JLA regarding ice and allocations. The SMHA might want to consider combining Competitive and House ice allocations. Tim may approach Beckwith to renew another contract.

8. RAMS Competitive Report – Chris Weir

RAMS are in the playoffs now, with 8 of 9 teams advancing to the A side.

9. Referee in Chief Report – Jeff McNamee

Jeff reported a fairly major incident occurred this past weekend at a house tournament at the Sensplex involving 2 Midget B teams. The game was between teams from Leitrim and South End; the incident also involved 3 officials from D4 and parents in the stands. There was some complaint about the refereeing, officials were threatened (verbal badgering) and a scuffle broke out in the stands. A request was made to call the police but the Sensplex refused. The RIC is asking for associations to send letters to the Sensplex in support of the officials and the lack of the Sensplex cooperation or support. The individual involved with the incident has a history with officials.

10. Succession Planning

The following positions are up for renewal for next year's Executive –

President
VP Operations
Director of House
Risk + Safety Officer
Director of Competitive
Registrar
Communications

11. New Fees HEO

See President's report

12. Mouthguards

See President's report

13. AGM Date

The regular scheduled Executive Meeting will be Tuesday April 15th and the AGM will be the following week depending on space availability.

14. New Business

None

15. Miscellaneous Allocations

16. Adjournment

The meeting ended at 8:00pm, the next meeting will be March 25th at Sobeyes.