



STITTSVILLE MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

Stittsville Minor Hockey Association

Wednesday February 15, 2017

Sobeys Stittsville

Attendance:

Ryan Goodwin*	Fiona Livingstone*	Maggie Zobarich*	Patti Bokij*
Tom Stephens*	Serge Vallieres	Nicole Brooks	Andrew Staniforth
Jeff McNamee			

*denotes voting Executive members

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm with Ryan Goodwin chairing.

a) Approval of Agenda

A motion was made (Fiona Livingstone/Maggie Zobarich) to approve the agenda.

Motion Approved

b) Approval of January Minutes

Fiona indicated she had some corrections to the minutes...to be forwarded to Jackie.

A motion was made (Fiona Livingstone /Tom Stephens) to approve the January meeting minutes.

Motion Approved

c) Conflict of Interest

Quorum was established, voting members acknowledged and no conflicts were identified.

2. D4, LCMHL + HEO Minor Update – Ryan Goodwin

There was nothing to report because this month's meeting preceded the LCMHL and District 4 meetings. Those meetings were scheduled for the following week.

3. VP Finance Report – Chris St Germain

No report provided. Chris was absent.

4. VP Support Services – Angelo Miceli

Risk + Safety – Patti reported that PRC tracking was nearly complete with a small number of follow-up items remaining. She indicated that HEO may take ownership of this process next year. Patti will continue investigate an online PRC solution for next year. There was some discussion as to whether or not a manager should be required to have a PRC. The website indicates that a PRC for them is not a requirement. This topic is to be revisited prior to next season.

Hearings – There have been no new hearings since the last meeting. Several issues were successfully diffused without the need for hearings.

Communications – Maggie had nothing to report. Patti indicated that we should send a reminder to teams to keep game sheets for a year.

Website – Tom had nothing to report

5. VP Operations – Fiona Livingstone

Financials (returned ice) – Fiona to contact Chris St Germain regarding financial in light of recent ice returns

Timekeeper Program – The program has gone very well with only 7 games without paid timekeepers. There have been minor concerns regarding a couple of timekeepers that have allowed friends into the box during games. There is a lot of interest for participation next year.

Referees – There was a discussion concerning respect for game officials.

Volunteer Night – Fiona is in the process of finalizing a venue. Amberwood looks promising and has availability on Apr. 20th (following the Easter weekend). We would have the entire venue for the evening. Consensus was to proceed with the 20th. Fiona will continue finalizing the booking and announce the date in early March. She also indicated that we might consider increasing the budget for this event after last year's overrun.

6. Director of House – Robert Smith

Rob was absent and provided his report through an email to Ryan.

Procedures – Teams should be reminded that we follow LCMHL or OBML rules relating to games and that game results must be reported in a timely manner.

Coach Responsibilities – Coaches will also be reminded that they're responsible for all team behaviour, including that of parents. We've had couple of incidents in the last couple of weeks relating to poor parent behaviour.

Ice Allocations – Team ice allocations for the remainder of the season are occurring. Teams will be polled for March Break ice desire and allocations will be made accordingly.

Team Budgets – Teams will be reminded that yearend team budgets must be shared with convenors.

Convenors for Next Season – Rob is soliciting convenors for next season (Atom, Peewee, Bantam). He is following up with potential candidates for Peewee and Bantam.

7. Director of Hockey Development – Cyril Rogers

No report from Cyril was provided due to absence.

Andrew Staniforth provided a report on IP.

Novice Prep Session(s) – Preparatory sessions for IP players moving to Novice next season are being considered using end of season ice.

IP Fun Day – The fun day has been scheduled for March 25th (until 5:30 pm) at JLA. Each team will have 2 full ice games. Canadian Tire is providing trophies for all participants as well as 2 bikes as draw prizes. Fiona will arrange timekeepers for the day and Jeff offered free game officials (1 per game).

Fun Day Costs – The Fun Days is cost neutral, outside of ice costs, and easily covered by the \$2,700 collected from teams. Expenses include \$7/player for food, the cost of Rams pucks that will be given as gifts, and programs. The sale of some food from the Community Centre upstairs was being considered but the canteen operator indicated disagreement – citing contractual issues. Ryan Goodwin will take this issue offline.

8. Director of Competitive– Chris Weir

Report delivered by Patti Boki in Chris' absence.

Playoffs - Playoffs have started with Round 1 ending February 23rd. SMHA has had 7 of 9 teams make the top four. We have 2 teams in the consolation round.

North York Tournament - Six teams attended the North York tournament with 4 of them returning home with banners.

Next Season Preparation– We have started looking at coaches and volunteers for next year.

9. Referee Report – Jeff McNamee

Playoffs - All playoffs have officials booked through round 1 (round-robin)

Feature Abuse – Refusals and Up For Grabs features of the ref scheduling system are being abused. In the past, there were fines for too many refusals and up-for-grabs. The fine functionality has been disabled. Discipline is required. This will be discussed by Lou Matura at an upcoming D4 meeting.

Requests for Adult Game Officials – John McNamee has received two recent requests for adult game officials because of concerns in anticipation of a rough game. These requests are inappropriate coming from a team. They should be routed through the association president. Jeff/John to provide these requests to Ryan.

10. New Business

a) AGM – We're targeting April 24th. The Legion is being pursued as the venue, with NEXT as a backup

b) Council Positions - Positions available include:

- VP Support Services
- Dir Development
- Secretary
- Ice Scheduler (Serge to run)
- Risk and Safety
- Dir at large
- Equipment? (TBD)
- Must also consider non-voting positions (Coach Mentor)

Ryan requested that council members send him intentions for next year - positions they're returning to / leaving / desire.

c) Google Drive – Tom mentioned that the SMHA Google Drive was cleaned up a couple of years ago and encourages its use to store council documents.

d) Coach Surveys – We'll use the same company as last year...with the same price. A template for teams to complete will be published soon. Ryan to share last year's template to solicit ideas for improvement.

e) Bursaries – Last year we awarded 3 bursaries to graduating grade 12 students who were part of SMHA. We're currently expecting \$5,000 from Scotiabank.

A motion was made (Ryan Goodwin/Maggie Zobarich) to increase the bursary amount from \$300 to \$500 for the 3 bursaries we'll award.

Motion Approved

11. Adjournment

A motion was made (Patti Boki/Fiona Livingstone) to adjourn the meeting.

Motion Approved