

Woolwich Minor Hockey Association

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Executive Meeting Minutes – December 1, 2014 (November minutes)

LOCATION: WMC Meeting Room

TIME: 7:00 p.m.

CHAIR/PRESIDENT: Rob Waters

SECRETARY: Leanne Rollins

Present: Jodi Young, Tracey Williams, Brian Martin, Deb Good, Leanne Rollins, Rob Waters, Jeff Weber, Rob Moyer, Matt Roemer, Christa Pollock, Rob Moyer, Ken Flaherty, Fred Hale

Absent: Jasmine Roth, Mike Lenaers, Pat Leonard

1) Minutes of Previous Meetings

Motion to accept previous minutes: Deferred

2) Referees – Chad Hepburn

- Discussion of problems during Woolwich tournament due to manual entry mistakes of game times and levels. This is the first time any schedule issues have occurred in the tournament.
- Brannon will investigate the contract obligations still in place for the Horizon reffing system.
 Leanne to investigate the cost of the reffing module on MBSports. WMHA is recommending that the refs move to the same system used by the Wild and the Wildcats.

3) Presidents Report – Rob Waters

- New business: decided not to purchase another pair of socks for this year. Need a committee
 now to work on the design for next year one sock for both home and away. Need a neutral
 design to look good with the blue and the white jerseys. Pat will be leading this.
- During the coaches meeting, we need to talk about expectations and winning.
- Sugar Kings are calling Major Midget players to AP; means great development for the players
 who get called, but also requires the Minor Midget team to AP from the Major Bantams, etc.
 Will discuss this with the coaches at the next meeting. Kings have brought up 5 guys recently...
 focusing on Woolwich players right now.
- Spirit wear: we need to get something in place for April/May so that when teams are picked, they understand the expectations and what the line-up consists of. We need a volunteer to head this.
- Pending signing of the Woolwich/Breslau border.
- WMHA audit: no word on the audit need to follow up with Gerry about the status.
- If any policy issues are required to the by-laws, we need to table them at the January meeting. Executive to think of anything within the constitution that you want to change.
- Going ahead with spring tryouts again this year coaching applications could be posted soon.

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4) Treasurer Report – Deb Good

 We are a little ahead of last year, but some fundraising and other costs have not been booked yet.

5) VP Rep – Mike Lenaers

Absent.

6) VP LL – Rob Moyer

- The Bantam AE teams seem to be struggling, but the other AE teams are doing well so far.
- No LL complaints about ice time or scheduling at this point.
- Upcoming decision regarding suspended player playing a game after receiving a GM.
- Re: keeping body checking in LL 16 of the 17 centres voted to keep body checking in GRLL.

7) VP Coaching – Matt Roemer

- Involvement in parent and coaching meetings. Ongoing concerns about the two AE team format for this year.
- Intended to schedule another coaches meeting in November, but will be deferred to either sometime next week or early January for the "playoff" meeting.
- Seems to be a transition year for the AE experiment; Rob expects the scoring to be much closer in the second half of the season now that seeding has been implemented. Too early to measure the success of the change at this point in the year.
- Rob to send the updated weather policy to Matt and Rob to distribute.

8) VP Player Development Fred Hale / Jeff Weber

- Goaltending clinics are not well attended by coaches. It is very difficult to run the drills when
 there is insufficient coaching presence on the ice. WMHA has recommended sending at least
 one coach per team; however it is not happening. WMHA needs to re-evaluate the program and
 determine why the coaches are not attending. Fred: Need to re-evaluate the decision to run the
 goaltenders at the same ice time as the skaters.
- Initiation is going well.
- Fred has nothing to report now that skating development is complete.

9) Ice Scheduler – Jodi Young

- Reseeded all AE teams, everything has been rescheduled at this point. All LL games are now
 rescheduled. Jodi can only take care of the home games; no control over away game scheduling.
 Last seeded teams received 'worst' matchup schedules. All cancelled games have also been
 rescheduled.
- The "Bad Weather Cancellation Schedule" must be amended and published asap.

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10) Office Administrator/Registrar – Jodi Young

• AP deadline is January 15th (approx.)

11) Fundraising Committee – Leanne

- Stemmlers increased pricing per package to \$3.25 (Leanne was unaware), so the total fundraising profit for pepperettes was \$9324.00. Delivery of product to teams will take place on Saturday, December 13th from 9-12 am.
- So far, WMHA has sold 584 Sugar Kings Cash Calendars, for a profit of \$2920 to WMHA and an additional \$2920 back to the teams. We will continue to sell calendars until December 15th. Extras are available in the hockey office.

12) Tournament-Tracey Williams/Jasmine Roth

- Tracey feels it was the best run tournament this year. More control over all aspects of the tournament ensured it ran well.
- 3 WW teams made the semi's; only 1 won the championship. Lots of teams said they would come again.
- Silent auction and raffle was really popular. Silent auction made \$3315, raffle made \$1600.
- Other than reffing issues, everything ran smoothly.
- Profit approximately \$14,424.

13) Sponsorship – Christa Pollock/Ken Flaherty

- Every team now has a sponsor.
- The window clings are now in and are available to all sponsors to place in their window to show they sponsor WMHA.
- Bumper sticker sales will cover the cost of the window clings.
- Online order form required for the bumper stickers (\$5).
- Move the deadline: Sunday, move the voting deadline by 6 days also.
- Scotiabank has provided iron-on patches that the Atom AE Blue team must apply to their jerseys. The team will also receive toques and bags.
- Issue to be resolved: teams are obtaining their own sponsors and the association is not receiving any benefit. Problem this year getting sponsorships while also providing value.

14) Webmaster – Leanne Rollins

Nothing to report.

15) Photos - Pat Leonard

Absent



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16) Concussion Management – Dave Lee

Absent

Next Meeting: January 26, 2015 at 7:00 pm Adjournment – 9:09 pm