



WOOLWICH MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION INC.

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Executive Meeting Minutes – April 30, 2013

LOCATION: WMC Meeting Room #2

TIME: 7:00 p.m.

CHAIR/PRESIDENT: Rob Waters

SECRETARY: Jasmine Roth

Present: Rob Waters, Paul Wilson, Fred Hale, Jasmine Roth, Chris Williams, Tracey Williams, Garry Mayberry, Kevin Schmitt, Rob Moyer, Kelly Seabrook, Dave Lee, Matt Roemer, Mike Laenars, Leanne Rollins

Absent: Deb Good, Jodi Young, Steve Hanley

1) Minutes of Previous Meetings

Motion to accept previous minutes: Rob Moyer, seconded by Fred Hale

2) President's Report – Rob Waters

- Banquet was very successful. **Action:** Rob to book the hall for next year so we don't run into so many date conflicts like we did this year.
- We still have 2 executive positions open (photos and equipment). Rob may have someone for photos but they are on holidays so will confirm when they return. The important position to fill is equipment as the person will need to be involved in the ordering of the jerseys in mid July.
- Discussion of registration fees for next year: no negative or positive feedback was received.
- There will be a May budget meeting for approval at the June meeting. **Action:** Members are to get their numbers in to Rob by mid-May
- Objectives for 2013/14 season: looking at revamping our ice schedule to make it more efficient for usage and time. Balance out the value for rep and local league players thru ice time and player development, increase player and goalie development for rep and local league levels while still keeping the costs to a minimum, increase sponsor value - this can be done thru our new website.
- Rob is meeting with Karen from the Township to go over some ideas he has.

3) Treasurer Report – Deb Good

- Absent.

4) VP Rep – Paul Wilson / Mike Laenars

- Hespeler has offered to host the Midget All Star game this year.
- Changes may be coming down from Hockey Canada in regards to body checking. Body checking may be moved to begin at the Bantam level instead of Pee Wee
- Any tournaments on or before Sept 21, 2013 will be considered early bird tournaments.
- AAA tryouts are completed, AA tryouts are in process. We have lost quite a few Pee Wee players to AAA this year.
- Tri-County meetings are held monthly on the 3rd Thursday at 7:30pm.



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5) VP LL – Rob Moyer

- Very excited to start the season.
- We will be voting against collecting gate fees at the GRLL meeting. Many families are unaware that gate fees are dictated from GRLL not from WMHA. Rob will communicate this to parents for 2013/14 season.

6) VP Coaching – Matt Roemer

- Coaches' appreciation dinner went well. Approximately 75 people were in attendance.
- All coaches have been selected for the A and AA teams. Some coaching changes were made to the phase one selections.
- We have received some coaching applications for the AE teams. These coaches will be selected at a later date.
- Coaches / Mangers meeting is set for late August.
- Looking ahead, we would like to bring back the monthly coaches meetings as we have had in the past.

7) VP Player Development – Fred Hale / Kevin Schmitt

- Ultimate goal is to allow WMHA players the opportunity to compete at the same level as larger /stronger centers.
- Some ideas being looked at are power skating, 1 ½ hr long practises and goalie clinics.
- If we hold more practises in the morning we can offset some of the extra costs and offer more.
- A few years ago WMHA was a certified initiation centre, we would like to bring that back and become certified again. We are looking to follow more of the Ontario Hockey guidelines.

8) Ice Scheduler – Deb Good

- Absent.

9) Office Administrator/Registrar – Jodi Young

- Absent

10) Fundraising Committee – Kelly Seabrook

- Tim Waters will run the golf tournament again next year.
- Wondered if the cash calendars are something we are committed to or if we could look at an alternative such as selling pepperettes twice a year.

11) Tournament- Tracey Williams/Leanne Rollins/Jasmine Roth

- Woolwich Weekend dates Nov 8,9, & 10, 2013.
- Going to be aggressive with teams and registrations.
- May look at expanding the game times 10-10-15 minute periods
- Looking at raising the entry fee for rep teams and local league.
- It's nice to have a 4 game guarantee. It one thing that coaches look for when booking a tournament for away games.
- Would be nice to see if we could get the high school kids who need volunteer hours, maybe they could run time clocks instead of paying for timekeepers.
- What exactly does Lance have in Bauer goodies? **Action:** Leanne will check with Lance to get an idea of what we have.
- Local league tournament: Will add Atom division



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12) Equipment – Garry Mayberry

- Require a 6 week lead time to order the new jerseys. Looking at ordering the additional 16 away sets only.
- For the away jerseys, we are looking at have them ready for Sept 2013. Garry will work with them to change the font for the sponsor and the name bars

13) Sponsorship – Chris Williams

- Nothing new. Hoping to get going on sponsorships in June
- Steve and Jodi are to speak to the township to see if we are allowed to display a standing banner.. The process is at a stand still until the conversation is had with the township.
- Teams with banners need to ensure that the overall team sponsor should be on the banner. **Action:** Matt to address at the coaches meeting.

14) Webmaster – Leanne Rollins

- We have been approved to go ahead with the site.
- Team staff will have access to your team website before the season starts so they can add information
- Leanne expects to have the site live by the middle of August.

15) Referees – Mark Trimble

- Absent

16) Photos

- Nothing to report

17) Concussion Management – Dave Lee

- If body checking is moved to begin at the Bantam level how will this affect the concussion program?

Next Meeting:

Monday, May 27, 7:00pm

Adjournment – 9:00 pm