



## **WOOLWICH MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION INC.**

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### ***Executive Meeting Minutes***

**November Meeting held December 1, 2011**

**LOCATION:** WMC Meeting Room  
**TIME:** 7:00 p.m.  
**CHAIR/PRESIDENT:** Steve Hanley  
**SECRETARY:** Shelley Clifford

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**Present:** Steve Hanley, Paul Wilson, Rob Waters, Deb Good, Chris Schnarr, Tracey Williams, Garry Mayberry, Diane Weigel, Tom Arndt, Brent Bloch, Shelley Clifford

**Absent:** Eric Brubacher, Chris Williams, Brian Knipfel, Jodi Young, Dave Baker,

#### **1) Minutes of Previous Meetings**

- Business arising from previous minutes October 25th, 2011. Motion by Chris Schnarr to accept the minutes, second Tom Arndt. All in favour, motion passed.

#### **2) President's Message - Steve Hanley**

#### **3) Treasurer Report – Deb Good**

- Deb provided Budget vs Actual Statement April 1 through November 30, 2011
- Registration line includes Concussion fees, which need to be pulled out
- Rep team fees – still some teams have not paid, emails have gone out
- Sponsorship money outstanding maybe \$450
- Gate receipts going well in St. Jacobs, Jodi does a great job
- Tom will send an email to Grand River that a fee needs to be paid, Steve and Deb to ask the township to help corral people through the area to pay
- Goalie Clinics need to be discussed, advertised in the summer, freshened up with new instructors
- Board advertising cheque did come in from the Township

#### **4) Committee Reports**

##### **a. VP Rep – Paul Wilson**

- TriCounty held Nov 16<sup>th</sup>, Banquet came and gone
- Rob, please inform all teams to carry a current rooster with them at all times
- Age appropriate timekeepers within the box, send any issues or concerns to Paul
- AAA tryouts, no excuses for OHF, regardless of Easter being later in the year, 14 days for AAA prior to AA going forward, concern of ice not being available
- WMHA needs to discuss one year trial, 28 games 2 tournaments (midgets 26 only) – feedback prior to January, going back to 24 games and 3 tournaments
- 98% of rep teams doing quite well
- Major head contact penalties now at 4

**b. VP LL – Tom Arndt, Dave Baker**(absent)

- All is running fine
- Grand River meeting not till January
- One local league got curfewed with 12min left in the 3<sup>rd</sup> period, game not official, OMHA rule for official game must be 10x10x10

**c. VP Coaching – Rob Waters**

- Coaches meeting has been rescheduled for early January
- Info to be posted on the website and then emailed out to all coaches
- Overall minimal coach's complaints or issues
- Concussion Mgmt program – needs to be invoiced
- 5 players have gone through the program, will request feedback to review their experiences
- Midget local league turnout is low for practices – Tom will ask Dave to look into attendance, suggestion to have practice only once every two weeks

**d. VP Player Dev – Eric Brubacher** (absent)

- Goalie Clinic went very well with 12 goalies present although 20 had registered
- There is a struggle with lack of interest/commitment from players and goalie parents when we offer these clinics at no player cost with one of the top OUAA goalie coaches, on a full PD day across the region
- Would like feedback from the group
- Discussion ensued – it was thought that changing up the date (no child wants to come on their day off from school), and change up the goalie coach to make it fresh, advertise it early, have it established in September when the clinic will be held

**e. Ice Scheduler – Deb Good**

- Local League many want to reschedule for the games for the December 17<sup>th</sup> weekend
- Two games need to yet to be rescheduled with Ayr

**f. Office Administrator/Registrar – Jodi Young** (absent)

- Finishing rostering the teams, all rep teams have approved rosters and almost all APs are complete, along with all coaches
- Local League still rostering – perhaps next year Thanksgiving Weekend to have all teams rostered

**g. Fundraising Committee – Diane Weigel**

- All information distributed to those who stopped by to pick up, other calls have been made, requested an overall coach/manager list
- Pepperettes have gone up in cost - \$3 cost, profit of \$2 per pack
- Some teams are not participating an email will go out from Steve to inform people to help support

- Possible suggestions - at coaches meeting in the fall to have a sample budget for teams to put WMHA fundraising within the budget for rep
- Discussions around possible additional fundraiser in 2012

**h. Tournament- Tracey Williams**

- Great success, 99% of emails have been very positive on the tournament
- Common theme would be penalties and 1 match penalty. Thank you to all executives who were active in helping out
- There was an executive presence, OMHA rep, Head Referee within the building to help at all times, especially when discussion involved penalties
- Comments did come up that there should be also local league parents helping to volunteer as all the funds raised go back to the association – not just rep
- Still finalizing the numbers, initial figures look positive
- Great job Tracey!

**i. Equipment – Garry Mayberry**

- Two local league sets of jerseys to change over from sponsorships
- Brubacher harness repaired many zippers and goalie equipment, additional funds requested
- Equipment room all cleaned, Garry has done a great job

**j. Photos – Chris Schnarr**

- All photos complete, midget team rescheduled
- Stick issue resolve – players can use their own stick if they ask
- Bantam level and up all wearing shirts and ties went well
- Photos ready December 17th

**k. Sponsorship – Chris Williams (absent)**

- No report

**l. Webmaster –Brian Knipfel (absent)**

- Have asked Calla for all team photos, once received website will be updated
- Still waiting for information on teams for the team section

**m. Referees – Brent Bloch**

- EDHRA proceeded with software, facilitating scheduling
- Eric was rehired for the rest of the year
- WW Tournament – ref standpoint went well, timekeepers worked well,
- Missed game this week, ref was disciplined, game will be redone, other game missed – scheduling issue
- If there can be a 3<sup>rd</sup> party being able to view the entire schedule that would be good, access to Ice Scheduler will occur
- Suggestion to have a younger ref paired with an older ref
- Thank you to Dennis Hahn for training the timekeepers

- From the tournament – refs did a great job, very helpful and respectful to the Committee
- WMHA would like to recognize Rich and Tom for filling in on short notice for games during the beginning of the season

**n. Hockey Moms – Shelley Clifford, Deb Good**

- Sales during picture days went very well, approximate sales of \$8000 for the weekend, Total clothing sales approximately \$15,000, profit of \$800 will go directly towards the hockey banquet for all players
- Concerns from Hockey Moms regarding teams who do not support clothing that is approved by WMHA and go and use Wildcat logo without permission and no retribution, also decide to go “other” style of windsuits, etc.
- Purpose of Hockey Moms was to provide a consistent, quality look for all rep and local league players for us to create Woolwich Pride, with teams doing their own thing, and Executive not supporting the mandate, hockey moms will no longer exist, other alternatives will need to be found
- Last clothing order will be in 2<sup>nd</sup> week of December and be distributed

**5) New Business**

- Two meetings scheduled with township, Dec 7<sup>th</sup> specifically for WMHA
- New meeting for Dec 8<sup>th</sup> – banner policy and new ice rates, Steve to gather information from surrounding centers for subsidy costs, ice costs

**6) Next Meeting** – January 31, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. WMC

**7) Adjournment** 9:43pm