



WOOLWICH MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION INC.

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Executive Meeting Minutes – April 2, 2013

LOCATION: WMC Concourse Cafe

TIME: 7:00 p.m.

CHAIR/PRESIDENT: Steve Hanley

SECRETARY: Leanne Rollins

Present: Steve Hanley, Paul Wilson, Fred Hale, Deb Good, Mark Trimble, Jasmine Roth, Chris Williams, Tracey Williams, Garry Mayberry, Fred Hale, Rob Waters, Tom Arndt

Absent: Chris Schnarr, Eric Brubacher,

Note: *This meeting was rescheduled from March 26th due to scheduling conflicts for many of the executive members.*

1) Minutes of Previous Meetings

Motion to accept previous minutes: Garry Mayberry, seconded by Paul Wilson

2) President's Report - Steve Hanley

- Banquet date changed from April 14th to the 21st and the website was updated accordingly.
- Everyone needs to forward reports for the AGM by Friday, April 12th.
- Discussion of Registration fees for next year: considering eliminating cash calendar and peperrettes fundraising and offsetting this revenue with a fee increase per player. Will consider in upcoming years.
- Proposing a 5% increase in fees due to increase in ice costs and increased operating costs. If we have excess \$, we put the funds back into purchasing more ice for development or additional jersey purchases, etc. Motion to accept was put forth by Tom, seconded by Tracey. All in favour.
- Discussion of the Todd Shannon award recipient which is given to a Rep Midget goalie. Candidate selected.

3) Treasurer Report – Deb Good

- Should we list the sponsors in the AGM minutes? - Do we need to list the values of cheques? We decided to only show the bottom line.
- Rob talked to Lance and we will receive a \$2500 cheque this year as revenue. For next year, we will receive approx. \$12,000 in Bauer merchandise to use toward silent auctions, prizes, etc. at tournaments, banquet, golf tourney, etc.
- Discussion of how to allocate jersey program on the books - the executive determined we should show the actual incurred expenses this year.
- Estimate of profit for the year: \$13,500. This 'profit' is within an acceptable margin of error. Will allocate this money to purchasing additional jerseys next year.

4) VP Rep – Paul Wilson

- Upcoming OMHA AGM – on Friday the OMHA is running a course on the new legislation for not for profits and how it will affect organizations.



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- Permission to Skate forms have not yet arrived; kids cannot try out in other organizations; Paul is putting forward a motion to give our Office Manager the authority to sign the forms. Rob Waters approves the motion. All agree.
- Paul is working on a proposal for how to cancel games – week vs. weekend criteria; essentially once on the road, coach/manager should inform scheduler that they have made an attempt to drive, but it's unsafe. Scheduler will contact other organization to cancel – need a phone tree to let all team members know. We realized that we cannot define what inclement weather is. We need to define the process for a cancellation, NOT what constitutes the need for a cancellation. We need to place the onus on the parents to determine if they feel they should go, but the notification process must be defined. We need separate processes for home vs. away games. Paul will continue to draft a policy.

5) VP LL – Tom Arndt

- Two nominees for the June Pearce award given to a Bantam LL player – coach selection committee usually picks winners; criteria is sportsmanship, fair play, etc. Steve will contact the Pearce family to determine if the \$ will still be donated. A winner was selected during the meeting. Tom will hand out the award.
- 7 teams made it to the finals, 5 won championships at some level.
- Tracey would like to look into providing something for the finalists as a reward, rather than just something for the champions. This issue should be put forth to the Grand River Local League. New Hamburg is planning to ask GRL at the next meeting, and Tom is attending so he will find out what happens then.

6) VP Coaching – Rob Waters

- Best response in 3 years for coaching applications. Some teams have up to 4 applicants. Not disclosing AE team coaches until after tryouts.
- Will disclose in 2 phases: Phase 1 within a week; Phase 2 end of April
- We must ask applicants to disclose the entire coaching staff – if the coach runs a tryout where an undisclosed person is on the ice/bench, the coach risks losing the team. Before teams run tryouts, coaches must disclose the full bench to the Coaching Committee.
- Coach's appreciation dinner is at the Elmira golf course on April 17th.
- Rob would like to suggest an analysis of ice allocation in relation to fees per age group. Steve suggests that we need to analyze the past three years.

7) VP Player Development – Eric Brubacher/Fred Hale

- Jeff Weber and Chad Dawson provided notes about the mini 6 program. Had 2 regular coaches, and 11 volunteers total. They played tournaments and games (10+ games per team), outside of regular practice time. Goals were enjoyment and skill development. Fun was strongly encouraged. They created their own mini-playoffs for the end of the year. Tony Code came to help skill development at a few practices. Treated all kids equally by practicing together and the development was fully realized by the end of the season.
- Good response received from the mini 4/5's about Tim Weigel. Fred also thought it was very helpful to have an executive member at the early meetings to show support for the coaches.

8) Ice Scheduler – Deb Good

- Nothing to report.



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- The executive noted that we need an email forwarding practice for when the scheduler is away on vacation.

9) Office Administrator/Registrar – Jodi Young

- Jodi is ready for registration. If we agree on rates tonight, Jodi can have it set up by tomorrow.

10) Fundraising Committee – no representative

- Tim Waters will run the golf tournament again next year.
- We will nominate a volunteer at the AGM to take over general fundraising.

11) Tournament- Tracey Williams/Jasmine Roth

- The tournament revenue is lower than expected, although some revenue from ads is not yet in. Revenue is down 37% this year.
- Leanne and Tracey will work on some ideas for increasing revenue next year. Competition is fierce to get teams to come. Potential to change the date to avoid the 2 tournament rule. Early bird might be an option.
- Novice HL tournament also had date conflicts. Might consider changing date for next year due to conflicting local tournaments. Consider adding another age group to increase the size of the tournament. Perhaps schedule during the lull between regular season and the playoffs.

12) Equipment – Garry Mayberry

- Equipment should be returned during the banquet (April 21st)
- Garry will put a table out during the banquet to put old equipment out to sell, including jersey sets and goalie pads.

13) Sponsorship – Chris Williams

- Still have to collect approx. 7 sponsorship cheques for a total of an additional \$3700.

14) Webmaster – Leanne Rollins

- Need company to invoice for March 31st. Rob Waters firsts the motion; approved by all.

15) Referees – Mark Trimble

- Mark thanked everyone for a good season
- Jodi will ask the engravers to send the bill for the trophy directly to Mark
- The refs use a fully digitized, integrated system and would not really benefit from shifting over to a new system. Cost is very similar.

16) Photos – Chris Schnarr

- Absent

17) Concussion Management – Dave Lee

- Nothing to report.

Next Meeting:

AGM: Monday, April 15, 8:00pm



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Adjournment – 10:00pm