



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

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### Executive Meeting Minutes – March 31, 2014

LOCATION: WMC Meeting Room #2

TIME: 7:00 p.m.

CHAIR/PRESIDENT: Rob Waters

SECRETARY: Jasmine Roth

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

Absent: Mark Trimble

#### Minutes of Previous Meetings

Motion to accept February's minutes: Rob Moyer, second by Kevin Schmitt

#### 1) President's Report – Rob Waters

- § Very successful playdowns both at Rep level and Local League.
- § Spring tryouts – schedules firmed up. Ice will be in until May 15, 2014. Two conflicts that we will accommodate but this is a one time exception due to a tournament. There will be no more changes. Advised coaches that if they want more games they are to set them up themselves.
- § Rob has spoken with Centre Wellington. There is a bit of overlap with the AA between the 2 centres we will make sure that the players will be able to participate.
- § All coaches have been selected.
- § Overall budget wise, we have done very well. Kept on track and on budget.

#### 2) Treasurer Report – Deb Good

- § Sponsorship will change to \$19,950. \$2,400 is from last year's sponsorship.
- § How do we allocate the player development? We did not cover as much as the cost as expected; this is due to #'s from local league, and a few of the rep #'s. Overall we pretty much broke even. For the budget - pull money out of ice costs, put into player development line to get the true overall cost of the player development.
- § Board sponsorship, collected \$4,000 last year and \$500 this year. The Township willing to open up this discussion again.



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- § Jerseys – needs to be broken down on the budget – new jerseys / name bars for new jerseys/ name bar revenue for new players and additional name bars. Deb to provide an apple to apples comparison from 2013 to 2014 jerseys. Jerseys were less expensive this year. Pro-joy gave us a discounted rate of approx. \$6.00 per jersey.
- § Township becoming stricter on how we give back the ice. We will need to be more mindful next year.
- § Good news is that we will be keeping all costs the same, registration will not increase.

### 3) VP Rep –Mike Laenars

- § OMHA's - 3 teams to the semi's. Tri-County - 5 teams to finals.
- § Tri-County – motion was passed – to cancel the midget all star game. Not enough interest or volunteers. So they decided to host tyke fest to replace the midget all star game.
- § Proposal on the table which we have to vote on. They want to change the OMHAs. Depending on the level, it will depend on how everything is seeded. Knock schedule back to 26 games. Still only 2 tournaments not including early bird or Christmas.
- § One concern that we had was supposed to be about player development. What this new proposal is stating is that you need to win at all costs, if you want to be one of the top 8 teams pretty much need to win right from the start. Our association needs to vote on it so Mike can take back to Tri-County.
- § Leave as is – regular season ends Jan 8 – 28 game season
- § Top 4 teams make it – others go straight to Tri-County
- § New proposed seeded brackets as per hand out.

### 4) VP LL – Rob Moyer

- § Crimestoppers – “Putting crime in the penalty box”. Close to 70 signed up for the skills. Very organized and expected to be a great event.
- § 9 local league teams went onto the finals. 2 Novice, 2 Atom, 1 Pee Wee, 1 Bantam, 3 Midget.
- § 3 won championships. Novice “C” won by LL#1, Atom “A” won by LL#4, Midget “C” won by LL#3. Very successful year.
- § Hespeler is polling their membership and it is looking like they will be joining the Grand River league for the 2014-15 season.



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### 5) VP Coaching – Matt Roemer

- § Busy time of year. Most of the coaching selections are on the website. The overall coaching selection process looks at feedback from parents and works diligently to figure out what is the best course of action for each team. For teams with evaluations, an outside committee will evaluate at tryouts. Some coaches' interviews were conducted this year.
- § Coaches meeting next week. Summer expectations, tryout expectations. Update coaches and managers guidelines.
- § Discuss ways to do initial cuts. Online, looking at possibly using OMHA #'s or hockey Canada #'s. Jodi will look into what # we can use. Would still like to look at doing the final cuts in person as feel like the player deserves as explanation as to why they were possibly cut.
- § Matt suggested that we put a FAQ on our website for new parents.

### 6) VP Player Development – Fred Hale / Kevin Schmitt

- § Kevin: Everything all wrapped up. Kids got medals and had a fun year end event. Overall the year was a great success.
- § Fred would like to see more player development next year. All feedback was positive.
- § One concern was that it was tough to make the 4pm practises so Fred would like to possibly see 16 weeks of 7am and omit the 4pm practises.
- § We should encourage that coaches invite their AP players out as well.
- § Possibly look at doing the same practise 2 weeks in a row so there is some consistency, the 2<sup>nd</sup> week the coaches and instructors can help correct anything.
- § Look at providing skills to coaches providing drills that may be more beneficial for half ice. Concern that the half ice is not beneficial for goalies.

### 7) Ice Scheduler – Deb Good

- § This is being passed on to Jodi for next year. Both are working together to ensure a seamless transition

### 8) Office Administrator/Registrar – Jodi Young

- § Registration – all is set up on the website and ready to go for April 1/14
- § Going to set up everything into minor / majors for registration to make the numbers easier.
- § Online payment – too late to look at now.



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- § Jodi has added that all posted dated chq's must be posted for 1<sup>st</sup> of the month. We are not going to the bank every day.
- § We will be collecting the \$20 at tryouts.
- § Respect in Sport – must be done by Aug 31/14 by all registered families. It is 1 parent per family who must complete it.
- § Esso medals have arrived. Matt and Rob to send out an email to coaches asking for names.
- § Jersey's – Jodi has 2 sets of jerseys in her office already. Will collect rest at the banquet.
- § Breslau – Paul has stated that they are working on it. They need to do a lot of background work regarding the boundaries and very time consuming and time sensitive.
- § Minor / Major AE – need to evaluate in the fall to ensure we have the numbers to fill both teams. This includes goaltending.

### **9) Fundraising Committee – Kelly Seabrook**

- § Spreading out the events. Would like to have more than 1 person working together to get all monies counted and tallied up. We need to revisit the cash calendars next year.
- § Potentially have the pepperettes selling longer.

### **10) Tournament- Tracey Williams/Leanne Rollins/Jasmine Roth**

- § Leanne – stepping down as co-chair of the Wildcats Weekend tournament. Cannot make the time commitment.
- § Thought profits would be higher. Referring costs were much higher than anticipated. Talked about making some changes going forward.
- § Look at possibly pushing it back a few weeks into the end of November.

### **11) Equipment – Pat Leonard/Garry Mayberry**

- § Socks, sublimated – Should definitely go to tender. The cost was \$12.75 with a 500 min purchase.
- § Pat will tender out and we will revisit at a later date.
- § Garry was asked if we could provide a jersey for a memorial for Austin Whittom. Not an issue, he will provide them with one



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### 12) Sponsorship – Chris Williams

§ All monies have been collected. Great job Chris.

### 13) Webmaster – Leanne Rollins

§ Season will flip over and all current logins will be cancelled. Leanne will send over new logins to the coaches for 2014/15 season.

### 14) Referees – Mark Trimble

§ Absent

### 15) Photos – Pat Leonard

§ Will get sponsor photos from Jasmine this week and hand them out.

### 16) Concussion Testing – Dave Lee

§ Nothing to report.

### 17) New Business

§ Registration costs – Motion made to keep the registration costs the same for the 2014 - 2015 season. Motion to accept: Rob Moyer seconded by Kevin, all in favour.

§ Follow ups – Rob will touch base with the persons taking care of the banquet to ensure all is on schedule

§ Please have AGM reports into Jasmine by April 14..

§ Positions open on the executive – sponsorship, equipment, fundraising, tournament co-chair.

§ Adjournment – 10:06pm      Next Meeting: AGM April 17, 2014, 8pm