



WOOLWICH MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION INC.

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Executive Meeting Minutes – November 25, 2013

LOCATION: WMC Meeting Room #2

TIME: 7:00 p.m.

CHAIR/PRESIDENT: Rob Waters

SECRETARY: Jasmine Roth

Present: Jodi Young, Rob Waters, Fred Hale, Tracey Williams, Deb Good, Mark Trimble, Jasmine Roth,
Special Guest – Paul Wilson from the OMHA

Absent: Rob Moyer, Kelly Seabrook, Matt Roemer, Dave Lee, Garry Mayberry Chris Williams, Mike
Laenars, Kevin Schmitt, Pat Leonard, Leanne Rollins

Minutes of Previous Meetings

Motion to accept September's minutes: Tracey, second by Deb Good

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1) President's Report – Rob Waters

- § Woolwich Weekend: Rob thought it was organized and ran well. The lobby was always full and from the outside looking in, everything looked great.
- § Austin Whittom Campaign: approx \$2,900 was raised. The family has received the cheque. Several teams from outside our own organization also participated including the Midget LL from Owen Sound and the Bantam team from Port Perry who all had orange laces during the tournament. Owen Sound has also sent a bunch of items down for Austin from the Owen Sound Attack. Jodi will ensure the family receives these items. Thank you to Susan from Sportzone for working with Tracey last minute to have an on hand supply to sell during the tournament. These are the things that make our hockey community great.
- § Rink Boards: No response from Mayor Todd Cowan yet. Rob will follow up with him again.
- § Name Bars: They are in. Deb has made a list of who has paid. She just shows the Major Bantams and Minor Midgets outstanding. Jodi to distribute the name bars this week.
- § Spring Ice: The Township has said no to spring ice which includes keeping both pads in along with keeping it in until the end of May. Rob will continue to work with the township in hopes that we can possibly keep one pad in until mid May and then work with the AA centre's to hold tryouts in conjunction with theirs.



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2) Treasurer Report –Deb Good

- § Deb handed out an updated budget.
- § Fred questioned why the income from player development was only \$16,490. Deb stated that were still waiting on 3 teams to pay. She has collected \$2,450 from the local league teams.
- § Deb budgeted \$80,000, currently we are coming in at \$81,725
- § Sponsorships: Deb gave Tracey the list to pass onto Chris with what sponsors have paid and what still needs to be collected.
- § Gate fees: Nothing allotted however it was mentioned that even though we have difficulty collecting at WMC, there is no reason why we can not collect at St. Jacobs. ACTION: Deb to schedule gate keepers at St. Jacobs for Fri night & Sat games only.
- § Jersey purchase: total includes the jerseys for the pre-novice (Woolwich Pharmacy). Rob: The number still seems out. Asked to see invoices from Pro-Joy. Deb stated she did not have a copy of them. ACTION: Have Garry forward a copy of the invoices to Deb.
- § Advertising cost - \$449.74 this was for the banners displayed at St. Jacobs and WMC. Rob noted that this should be in sponsorship. ACTION: Deb to put in sponsorship.
- § Rent – Rob asked why I was higher than last year. Deb thinks it is because it is pro-rated.
- § Morning Ice: Deb is wondering what we are going to do with it. We have to give the township 1 month notice. Fred thinks that we should offer it to the teams to see if they want it before giving it back. We can offer the teams more session and possibly combine teams if it works. ACTION: Fred to send email out to coaches in regards to the ice.

3) VP Rep –Mike Laenars

- § A WMHA coach received a GM 20 at an away game and never told anyone, he then received another GM20 at a home game. Mike called the coach to advise that they needed to sit out the next game and the coach asked why as he did not sit out after the one he received earlier. The OMHA conveynor got involved and wanted to give the coach a 8 game suspension and possibly even forfeit the games. Paul Wilson spoke to the conveynor and asked him take some time and think about it as the coach was not aware that he had to sit out. Thanks to Paul's involvement the coach received an additional game suspension only.
- § Mike has asked that the coaches contact him if they received a GM20 whether at home or away.
- § The Bantam AE team has found a goalie.
- § Mike is wondering if Deb has sent all the tournament information for the AA, A & AE teams to Helen? Deb – No didn't realize she still had to, will send to her as soon as she can



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- § Talk about trainer - trainer gets suspended from a game; trainer will go in front of OMHA - trainer should not be on door;
 - § All rep teams are rostered
 - § No goalie relief coming up from any centres
- 4) **VP LL – Rob Moyer**
- § Start up really good - no goalies in Bantam or Pee wee; that has been resolved
 - § No real complaints about ice times
 - § Kids from pre novice went well
 - § There are now 4 Novice teams and kept Pee Wee LL at 3 teams
 - § All Local League teams have no more than 15 skaters
 - § No issues with the Bantam or Midget Local League teams
 - § Looking at other centres for goalie relief.
 - § Reporting scores - not sure how to do that?
 - § Schedule should be out before Oct 8th
 - § AP within Local League - could AP LL Midget goalie to LL (NOT REP)
 - § **Gate fees - Rob said they will be eliminated by a vote; only 3 or 4 associations really rely on gate fees
- 5) **VP Coaching – Matt Roemer**
- § Absent
- 6) **VP Player Development –Fred Hale / Kevin Schmitt**
- § Remind Coaches about sessions. Deb has put it on the schedule.
 - § Can they trade within age groups? make it unofficial.
 - § AE Coaches; have they not built into their budget? every Rep coach was told
 - § Fred has spoken to a lot of Coaches and straightened it out
 - § Goaltending - should not come out to power skating sessions
 - § NRP - do not have to come out (ie - coming from Wingham); not mandatory
 - § Mitch could pull a couple of kids to Bantam AE if they want to;



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- § First goalie clinic - only 9 goalies showed up. Novice LL goalies to go out with rep teams; if there is room. We will wait to see what registration is like before doing so.
- § Initiation (mini 4/5s) 58 kids
- § Pre novice - moved up 6 kids - 50 kids total - lots of kids on the ice on Wednesday (in St. Jacob's) - doing well
- § Dave Officer is taking one team and Carson Brown took the other
- § Things are going well just one hiccup with jerseys and its been fixed
- § Pre novice - blue pucks we couldn't buy anymore; we had 2 ice times without pucks (it went okay without pucks)
- § Kevin is not getting any calls back from the OMHA; keeps leaving messages



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7) Ice Scheduler – Deb Good

- § Deb will not put Development on the Team Calendars - so there is no confusion
- § Forms will be with Jodi for LL players to sign up for the development clinics; already have a few sign up - there are minimums - if we don't meet the minimums, we can maybe move the kids to another team practice.

8) Office Administrator/Registrar – Jodi Young

- § Needs to complete the Novice rosters. Having a few issue with regards to 6 yr olds. ACTION: Jodi to send the rosters again and Paul to approve.
- § Bantam AE goalie – Registration cost have been worked out. He will be paying a pro-rated amount for registration. Registration fee \$348 and Rep fee of \$216. Details of team fee still to be worked out but as soon as the funds are received, roster can be completed. Tracey mentioned that he was suppose to be bringing payment to practise this evening. ACTION: Tracey to forward Jodi the email with the breakdown and once paid she will roster him.

9) Fundraising Committee – Kelly Seabrook

- § Absent

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

- § Trouble with registration , had to eliminate the Major Pee wee division due to low registration
- § Alter sanction permit - to include midget AE's
- § Currently have 2 Minor Pee Wee, 1 Major Pee Wee, 2 Pee Wee AE, 2 Minor Bantam teams registered.
- § Waiting it out until Oct 11 – then will give ice back.
- § Dan Snyder foundation to donate necklaces to the players.

11) Equipment – Garry Mayberry

- § Jerseys - everything ordered - all sponsors organized and being printed on jerseys
- § Rosters for all teams for name bars – Jodi to send to Garry.
- § Tyke Select - Garry says new font; will that look good - Tyke Select will have a new set so it won't matter; If players wish to have a new name bar with the new font they can order via their team manager
- § Jodi will put together rosters for all rep teams for away jerseys; and also Tyke Select; and ask for anyone who needs white name bars
- § Two weeks for name bars, once they are ordered
- § No idea when the jerseys will be ready



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- § Parent Request - purchase their home and away jersey for grandparent that just passed away; number 20 is what they want - will Projoy do that? Projoy will not accept orders from the public. Do we want to allow someone to do so? Will it create more problems? Discussed - Exec feels its not a good idea - because it opens up a can of worms
- § Missing a couple of jerseys from Midget AE; Garry checked roster and knows who did not bring them back; now we are now 2 jerseys short;
- § Bantam Blue set - still missing 7 and 8; Garry knows who has them - should we go after them? How do we get them back?
- § Juveniles - bad set of jerseys - they have a good set now; should we include something in the rep fees to pay for their jerseys?

12) Sponsorship – Chris Williams

- § All teams have sponsors - except for 2.5 teams
- § Brought in more than last year; expected to exceed budget of \$20,000 plus Dodge Caravan sponsorship
- § We will need to switch up sponsors on the website
- § Getting banner set up

13) Webmaster – Leanne Rollins

- § Website - Leanne is in hell; so many questions - lots of LL teams asking questions - getting over 100 emails per day.
- § Suggestion to Hold a Managers meeting - walk thru of website with the Managers; and maybe some other information. Could we have a meeting one Saturday morning and explain the website to Managers?
- § How do we report LL scores? Where will they be? On the OMHA? Rob Moyer will look into it

14) Referees – Mark Trimble

- § Tournament went well in regards to scheduling. They are asking that we give them as much time as possible. The more time the better. Tracey agreed however stated that they were booking teams for the tournament 2 weeks out, which makes it hard to be very proactive on the scheduling end. Mark suggested doing the Major and Minor final on the same ice pad. Tracey mentioned that it is typically that way however because of the number of teams participating they were not able to do that this year. Suggested a mid-day buffer for 2014.
- § If they could get the Local league schedule ASAP that would be appreciated. Deb mentioned that she is still waiting to book 3 games from other centres that have cancelled due to booking late tournaments. They currently have the schedule up until Nov 30.



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- § There was a game last Sat that was cancelled and the Ref's were not notified. The first question Mark is asked from the scheduled Ref's is "do I still get paid?" Suggested that something is put in writing in regards to a cancelled game. Possibly a cancellation fee that the WMHA would pay to the Ref's Association to cover the cost if something like this happens. Rob feels that it works it self out and that if the Ref's Association were to be compensated then they in turn would have to compensate WMHA when their ref's fail to show up. However he does agree that if the Ref's show up and the game was cancelled and there was no notification then yes they should be compensated for their time. Action: Rob and Mark to work something out.
- § Female Ref's – There are currently 2 female's on staff. Dressing room #2 was to be designated for the female ref's when they were working. The Township has been giving this dressing room to the coaches, which usually does not pose a problem. The ladies ask the coaches to go to a different room and they tend to cooperate. However recently when one of the ladies asked a coach was asked to move to another room, an inappropriate comment was made to her, making her feel very uncomfortable and she reported it to Mark. Mark has addressed the Township and asked that we remind our coaches to be polite and that they are required to change rooms if there is a female ref working. ACTION: WMHA takes this very seriously and will send an email to coaching staff.
- § Paul Wilson: Have there been many instances with teams skating around the back of the nets after shaking hands? Teams are not suppose to be doing that so there may be a memo coming out reminding teams that they could get a warning and then if it continues possibly even a penalty
- § Timekeeping: There was an issue with only having 1 time keeper in the box at the tournament for one of the games. Mark : Is it possible to have the timekeeper to go and find the team manager or coach to see if someone can help out? Deb to pass this on to the timekeepers as they should not be working the box by themselves. Deb stated that the process of the timekeepers schedule is very time consuming. All time keepers are assigned and it is up to the timekeeper to find a replacement if they are unable to make the allotted time. This can result in 2 jr timekeepers working together which in not an ideal situation. Deb tries to schedule 1 sr and 1 jr timekeeper at each game. Jodi suggested that we base the games on levels (level 1, 2 or 3), so if it is a level 2 game they are required to find the appropriate replacement (ie Level 2 game requires a jr and sr time keeper, if sr timekeeper can not make allotted time, they are required to find another sr timekeeper to work the game only.) This would elevate 2 jr timekeepers working a level 3 game. ACTION: Deb thinks this is a great idea and will do it for the Dec schedule.

15) Concussion Management – Dave Lee

- § Most rep teams are in.
- § Had one meeting; will have another one shortly

Adjournment – 9:12 pm

Next Meeting: Monday, October 28, 2013