



Devon Minor Hockey Executive Meeting
Tuesday February 5, 2013 – 7 PM
AGENDA

10.1 Motion to approve the Agenda

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- 10.2.1 Special Olympics - Michelle Deering
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10.3 Motion to approve last meeting minutes

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- 10.4.2 Update on Double A Major Minor Team – Victor Weardon
- 10.4.3 Update on Calmar/Devon Minor Hockey Associations – Mike Vant Hoff

10.5 Reports

- 10.5.1 President's Report – M Vant Hoff
- 10.5.2 Treasurer – T Huber
- 10.5.3 Secretary – T Preece
- 10.5.4 Coaches Coordinator – B Berthiaume/T Forester
- 10.5.5 Registrar – L Berthiaume
- 10.5.6 Referee-in-chief – L Uhryn
- 10.5.7 Level Director – C Sherwood
- 10.5.8 IP Co-ordinator – M Menasse
- 10.5.9 Novice Co-ordinator – S Cartier
- 10.5.10 Atom Co-ordinator – A Huber
- 10.5.11 Pee Wee Co-ordinator – V Letourneau
- 10.5.12 Bantam Co-ordinator – C Sherwood
- 10.5.13 Midget Co-ordinator – L Armstrong
- 10.5.14 Ice Co-ordinator – J Millward
- 10.5.15 Website Co-ordinator – M Urban
- 10.5.16 Equipment Manager – S White
- 10.5.17 1660 Rep / Governor – D Hiltz
- 10.5.18 Fundraising Co-ordinator – T Shaw

10.6 Date of next Meeting



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Meeting Minutes

In attendance: Mike Brodoway, Christy Sherwood, Jerry Melnychuk, Kendra Matwichuk, Ron, Wilbee, Laurie Armstrong, Cory Watson, Jacquie Sturko, Stephanie Cartier, Vicci Letourneau, Tyson Forester, Travis Shaw, Victor Weardon, Tracy Preece, Lisa Berthiaume, Mike Vant Hoff, Larry Sherwood, Michelle Deering, Margarita Torijillo, Matt Menasse, Tammy Huber, Drew Hiltz.

Call to Order -- 7:04 PM by Mike Vant Hoff

10.2 New Business

10.2.1 Special Olympics – Michelle Deering

- Michelle Deering approached the DMHA Executive to promote and create a working relationship between the Special Olympics and our organization.
- The Special Olympics takes place every 4 years and is a true highlight and focus for athletes, volunteers and supporters.
- The highest level of competition available to our athletes in Alberta. They are a stepping stone for some of our athletes to continue onto National and potential World Games.
- Events will be in and around our community, stretching out to Leduc for some athletics all taking place June 21-23, 2013.
- The Special Olympics Committee will be looking for 250 to 300 volunteers. Promoting family volunteering but will accept help from teenagers for sure. Volunteer forms can be located at <http://www.specialolympics.ab.ca/2013summer>.
- Looking at working with Devon Days, creating a Special Olympics thyme.
- Hockey laces for special Olympics are going to come in shortly, not waxed but are wider and longer than the shoe laces on sale presently. Laces will be at a cost of \$5.
- For further information please contact Michelle directly at 780-987-0042 (home), 780-722-9399 (Cell) or deeringm@hotmail.com.
- DMHA could look at doing a 50/50, donating portion to Special Olympics. Can discuss further at next meeting.

10.2.2. Parent Concerns – Mr. Ron Wilbee

- Mr. Wilbee approached the DMHA executive in regards to a few issues surrounding his son who is part of the Bantam 2 team.
- Concerns were addressed by the voting members of the DMHA executive.

10.2.3 Parent Concerns – Tammy and Ashley Huber

- Tammy indicated that her concern is being addressed and dealt with.

10.3 Review and Approve Minutes

- **Motion** by Mike Van Hoff to approve minutes from the December 5, 2012 meeting.
- Second by Travis Shaw.
- All in favor.

- **Motion** by Mike Van Hoff to approve minutes from the January 8, 2013 meeting.
- Second by Travis Shaw.
- All in favor.

Amendments to meeting minutes as follows:

- 10.5.5 Registrar Report - Will find out about special permits. Reminder January 11th, 5 game **maximum** for affiliations to play up is in effect. The 5th game must receive executive permission in order to play the 5th game!
- 10.5.6 Referee-in-Chief Report - Lori is away until March, Mike Brodoway will be **acting** Referee-in-Chief in during her absence.
- 10.5.7 Level Co-ordinator Report - Rules & Regs, started reading up on meeting minutes, up to **January 2011**.
- 10.5.7 Level Co-ordinator Report - **Darran Fedor** has sponsorship for practice jerseys, would like to know if they could use the logo from Provincials last year? He would also like to inquire if using these jerseys in the Provincials when and if they get there a possibility?

10.4 Business arising from the minutes

10.4.1 Update on Midget A Provincial Host – Victor Weardon

- DMHA was not selected to host the Atom A Provincials. Victor feels with an impressive application, we made a positive impact.
- Victor received an email January 22, 2013 inquiring if our organization would host the Midget A Provincials. Christy Sherwood indicated our Midget team was actually at the B level. Victor discussed this with the Hockey Alberta representative, we were not awarded with the Midget A Provincials.

10.4.2 Update on Double A Major Minor Team – Victor Weardon

- Victor attended the January 16th Leduc Minor Hockey Executive meeting. He was hoping for a joint effort, Leduc will not have a decision until late April. Doesn't look good from a board perspective as they do not feel a competitive team could be built. Devon does hold the option to do this on our own but sees this as a year to year option.

- In regards to Imports, for A or AA our kids could go to Leduc. Our kids could not go to places like Thorsby or Calmar. We are at a B level, Leduc is a AA. Victor does not think we would field a team that is competitive. Lisa provided numbers, there are 13 children in the 98's. Midget tier 2 and 5. Victor feels we would struggle.
- We are developing our kids to play at a higher level.
- Tammy Huber - Higher level of hockey in Devon, we require a higher level of coaching. We need to put more money into our coaches to help develop them. Needs to start sooner than later.
- Larry Sherwood suggested spending \$5000 on coaching development from our 50/50 proceeds. He feels we shouldn't be fooled in regards to some of the credentials from some of these coaches. School Enrollment in Leduc is going higher each and every year; this will leave fewer spots for Devon to go to.
- Laurie Armstrong has heard through the grape vine that there are kids that want to come back next year with having two teams. Having only one team last year really hurt our organization. She is concerned where the lower caliber kids will be left, back to Leduc? That is not desirable for our kids.
- Cory Watson explained the reasoning behind the need for 15 year old's hockey. Combined with the older children the locker room atmosphere is different than what most people think.
- Mike Vant Hoff would like to see our Level Co-ordinator inquire with the upcoming levels for input on future registration numbers and report back information at our next meeting.
- Stephanie would like to know when a decision needs to be made. Victor indicated the sooner the better, then we could gain approval from the league.

10.4.3 Update on Calmar/Devon Minor Hockey Associations – Mike Vant Hoff

- Mike spoke with Calmar Minor Hockey President today; they are very interested in joining our organization. Their Midget team folded this year due to lack of registration. Had 8 kids that waited for the fold and went to Warburg to register.
- Calmar doesn't have enough numbers and tons of ice. We have too many numbers and not enough ice. Joining at this point seems to make sense.
- Tammy Huber wants to see written confirmation going forward, from the Town of Calmar insuring ice to the joined organization.
- Hockey Alberta would have to give the final approval.
- Mike to set up a committee as well as a meeting to take the next step.

10.5 Reports

10.5.1 President Report – M. Vant Hoff

- This has been a very difficult year; there is no doubt to that. Mike read a statement about our responsibilities as a parent, player, volunteer, coach, etc.
- Rules and Regulation will be updated to reflect a few changes. Would like to have a coaches hand book/ guide line made for this year. Mr. Cartier and Mr. Perry to develop this material. Give them a breakdown what is needed at the next or higher levels. Lookat having more of a mentoring program.

- Mike promotes team work on the Novice team he is coaching. Mike Brodoway suggested a lower level coach come out to watch a higher level practice. They could benefit from the added ice time. Coaches need more ice time in order to advance in skill.
- Stephanie indicated we need to provide our coaches with the tools to advance and help our kids develop further.
- Our coaching staff also needs help with regards to dealing with parents.
- Mike is happy to see evaluation forms were handed out this evening. Travis would like to see the comments or feed-back given to the coaches so that they can improve.
- Victor Wearden suggested using Survey Monkey as a tool when doing our coaching evaluations. It is a service that is anonymous and could benefit our organization greatly.
- Parent approached Mike about ice costs for tournaments. Ice fees are set on our total costs for our organization. Tournament fees are not part of the registration fees. Ice fees for tournaments are paid for out of the team profits.
- We need to look into locating all the past trophy's. Mike Vant Hoff and Tracy Preece to look at Community Centre.
- Level Co-ordinators please hand in evaluations to Mike or Tyson directly.

10.5.2 Treasurer Report – T Huber

- Received the financial AGLC report back and there is an issue with the proceeds from our kitchen profits. The funds must be put back into the casino account. Looks like we are okay, Provincial profits from last year is helping this year, \$12 500.
- DMHA received a \$600 donation from the Devon Baron's. Tammy would like to place a thank you note in the Devon Dispatch.
- Tax receipts will be sent to Level Co-ordinators shortly.
- **Motion** by Tammy that if the AGLC paperwork for each level tournament is not submitted by Sunday, practice times will be pulled for those levels. Second by Mike Vant Hoff. All in favor. Motion passed.

10.5.3 Secretary Report – T. Preece

- Nothing to report.

10.5.4 Coaches Coordinator Report- T. Forester

- Coach evaluations handed out tonight, please hand out to your teams as soon as possible. Please stress getting them back as this information is valuable for next season. Encourage them to speak up if there is something they would like the executive to be made aware of. Tyson would like to see more feed-back, be it positive, negative or in-between.
- Tyson stressed the coach mentoring program in which to fill his place as he will not be returning next season. Mike Vant Hoff would like to see this position as well as others posted on the website. Please feel free to come and check out our meetings to get a feel for what the positions entail.

10.5.5 Registrar Report – L. Berthiaume

- Nothing to report.

10.5.6 Referee-in-Chief Report – M. Brodoway (Acting)

- Nothing to report.

Trish Rizko - Referee Assigner

- Not present

10.5.7 Level Co-ordinator – C. Sherwood

- Midget team is doing well in Provincials as well as the PeeWee 3 team. Atom team is going up against Innisfail next in their Provincial round.
- Player of the month, Tim Horton's would like to donate gift cards to this monthly draw. He is also looking for team pictures to update his DMHA/Tim Horton's jersey display posted at Tim Horton's.
- Christy would like to take information/poems on Player/Coaching to all levels. Mark will post on the DMHA website for reference.
- Bantam 2 finished Provincials against Hobema. Mike Vant Hoff wants to ensure that the discipline issue with this team is taken care of. He is pursuing the game sheets from Lori in order to resolve.
- Meeting minutes have been read up to May 2011 in order to work on updating the Rules and Regulations.

10.5.8 IP Co-ordinator – M. Menasse

- Matt talked with Tim Horton's in regards to when the Tim Bit jerseys expire. Is it okay for the kids to keep jerseys if this is the last season before contract is renewed? It was confirmed that the Tim Bit contract is with Devon and not Leduc.

10.5.9 Novice Co-ordinator – S. Cartier

- Planning for the home Novice tournament is going well, 8 teams registered with 4 more waiting for cheques.
- Refs will try to shadow for each and every game to help the younger refs, Mike Brodoway indicated.

10.5.10 Atom Co-ordinator – A. Huber

- Not present.

10.5.11 PeeWee Co-ordinator – V. Letourneau

- Pee Wee 3 is going through second round of Provincials against Red Deer this weekend.
- Would like to see a more positive tone when it comes to executive members asking questions.

10.5.12 Bantam Co-ordinator – C. Sherwood

- Reported in previous section.

10.5.13 Midget Co-ordinator – L. Armstrong

- Email from Tier 2 team inquiring where the reimbursement for Rod Schille is. Tammy has cheque and will pass onto Laurie.
- Midget tournament went well, few issues with the time clock. All visiting teams were respectful. One team did feel they should be at a tier 5 level but did register at a tier 2 level.
- Teams commented on what great reefing the tournament had.
- Parents were great, always helpful.
- Tab at concession for refs was a hit. Mike Brodoway, on behalf of the refs, stated this was a fantastic idea and liked by all.
- Letter read from Midget tournament committee disputing payment of travel costs for refs. Executive will look into it.

10.5.14 Ice Co-ordinator – J. Millward

- Not present.

10.5.15 Web Site Co-ordinator – M.Urban

- Not present.

10.5.16 Equipment Manager – S. White

- Not present.

10.5.17 1660 Rep/Governor – D. Hiltz

- Nothing to report.

10.5.18 Fundraising Co-ordinator – T. Shaw

- Super Bowl tickets are not all handed in. Travis would like to see a drop off place for next year, doesn't like the idea of using his home address.
- Tammy – Any suggestions on fundraising please bring them forward as some negative comments on selling raffle tickets have come forward.
- Raffle tickets are on order. Dance tickets will be ordered once ticket design and information is confirmed. Executive confirmed details for Travis, he will place order tomorrow. Teams were asked for a \$100 donation, still waiting on other teams to respond. Will then go ahead and buy auction items once funds are received.
- Remaining teams that have not handed in Super Bowl tickets will have 24 hours past your practice slot to turn in raffle books otherwise you will lose your practice slot then a game slot.
- Two ball tournaments in question. We need to decide if DMHA is taking it as a fundraiser, or slow pitch will take it.
- One fundraising option is to sell tickets to a Rush game, something to explore.

- Does DMHA sponsor the registration raffle cost? Yes, it is always taken on by the organization.
- Accountability at the dance, must behave accordingly. Options for punishment were discussed.
- Mike Vant Hoff will have a message posted to the web site warning any inappropriate behavior will be brought before the disciplinary committee.
- **Motion** by Lisa Berthiame to place the above stated message by Mike Vant Hoff as information on the DMHA website. Second by Mike Brodoway. All in favor. Motion passed.

10.6 Date of next meeting

- **NEXT MEETING: March 5, 2013 @ 7:00 PM IN THE MEETING ROOM**

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 11:39 PM

- **MOTION** by Mike Vant Hoff
- Second by Tammy Huber
- All in favor