



Tuesday

November 12, 2013

7:00pm

Devon Minor Hockey Executive Meeting Minute

Regular DMHA Executive Meeting called to order 8:10 pm, Held at the Devon Minor Hockey Room, Service Bank Building.

Attending - Lisa Wright, Tammy Huber, Ashley Huber, Chris Simonson (unknown guy), Cassandra McNirney, Shane Parie, Wayne Wolfe, Tina Matchim, Wendy Barry, Christi Stangland, Laurie Armstrong, Kristina Klause, Brandy Fisher, Christy Sherwood, Larry Sherwood, Stephanie Cartier, Kristy Clarke, Corinna Kuhnert, Mike Vant Hoff, Darcy Skinner

- 1. Review of previous minutes:** No minutes to review
 - 2. Adoption of Previous minutes:** No minutes to review
 - 3. President/Chairperson opening statements:** Atom 1 had an issue at the game in Calmar on the weekend. A coach from the Strathcona team physical grabbed 2 of our players by the front of their jersey. This happened after a player from the Strathcona team pushed a player from our team and 2 of our players were retaliating to this. Ashley Huber head coach (who was attending the meeting) came up behind and requested that the coach release our players. Ashley then followed our players to the lock room and investigated what transpired. Ashley then had the players from both teams' apologies to each other. Once everything was completed at the arena Ashley reported the incident directly to Mike Vant Hoff (President DMHA). Mike has spoken with the president of Strathcona, the player has been suspended and at this point no disciplinary action has been taken against the coach. In addition, Mike has
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spoken with 16/60 and HA, they are investigating and there will be some form of action taken. Mike will update the board as additional information is received. Mike/ and or Ashley have spoken with the parents of the players involved to inquire whether or not they would like to proceed with criminal charges. A parent of one of the two Devon players was in attendance at the meeting and would like our board to request a formal verbal and written apology from the coach.

Mike would like to take this experience and have the Level Coordinators express to the coaches that this type of behavior is unacceptable and they will be removed from their coaching position.

4. Level Coordinator updates:

Initiation: Not in attendance

Novice: Tournament update: Everything ran smoothly and each team will make approximately \$1,800.00. The tournament had great sponsorship. In addition they had positive feedback from all participating teams.

Atom: Tournament planning is well underway

Peewee: Gave a tournament update. There are major scheduling issues and they are requesting ice usage in Calmar. Kristina was directed by the board to go through Jamie for any ice requests in Calmar due to our contracts. Overall the board will support ice usage in Calmar as long as the costs are all covered by the tournament. Stephanie will ask Claude to look at the scheduling, Larry has also offered assistance.

Bantam: Tournament planning is all under control.

Midget: Wendy Barry and 3 additional midget parents came to express issues with Coaching. Parents feel that there is a lack of experience in the coaching staff selected. The group feels that Head Coach Brody is not meeting any of the commitments made at the beginning of the year. They feel that Brody does not have enough or qualified assistance on the ice. They feel that their children are not learning anything or being challenged enough during practice. The parents do not understand line selection during games. Brody is also supposedly chewing tobacco at the arena (Christy Sherwood has witness him having a Gatorade and spitting into another bottle). Christy hopes that we will help find a solution to the coaching problem. Larry feels that we made our decision to quickly on our Midget coaching selection. Darcy would like to opportunity to read the minutes from the parents meeting at the beginning of the season and speak to Brody. Darcy has requested that the

midget people present have someone send him the minutes to the meeting. Mike would like to take the time to speak with Brody this week and more with Darcy and find a resolution to the problem. Mike says he will be back in contact with the parents soon.

The Parents feel that we need to give Brody more support or put a different coach in position. Christy mentioned that this was our board commitment when selecting Brody.

End result Mike will update the board and get back in contact with the parents (with the assistance from Darcy the Coaches Coordinator).

5. New Business

- **Provincials, which team is DMHA supporting:** Victor is at town council requesting the donations of the ice, all position on all three levels are covered for the bid. The ranking of the bids will be as follows: Bantam, Peewee, and Atom. Devon Skating Club is providing a letter of support. We will know the outcome of the bids by Dec 15, 2013

- **Goalie Training (10 minutes) – presented by Darcy Skinner**
There was not a positive response or comititment from enough Devon goalie parents to continue with booking ATC. Only 4 goalies would committee to the training. Also, Jamie is having difficulty slotting time for just goalie practice. Darcy is going to work on other options. One option is to have individual goalie trainers come and help but our coaching regulation get in the way of this. Tammy and Darcy both have people that would come out and help but by our rules and regulations they cannot help on the ice.

Motion by Tammy: Individuals for special training will be authorized to be card to a team with only RAS coach and CRC. Mike seconded.
Passed.

- **Power Skating (10 minutes) – Christy Sherwood**
Devon Skating club coaches will help DMHA with power skating for a fee for \$40.00 an hour. The coaches will come to the team practice on an individual request. Stephanie will send contact information to Tammy.
 - **AGM bylaw updates (10 minutes) – Christy Sherwood**
Mike will talk to Vicci about getting this done and Christy has offered to help. We need to get the amendments made and filed ASAP. We are going to work on scheduling time to complete the changes to the Rules and Regulations. Mike, Christy feel this could be done over 3 or 4 2 hour sessions.
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- **Marci's proposal to DMHA – Vicci forwarded email to all members to discuss**

Nobody here to present

6. Member updates

Equipment: Wayne has asked Darcy to ask IP to get a Jersey parent and have all the Jersey's collected from individual players. All players have their own jersey to take home is not allowed.

Website: Once Christy gives Cassandra the information for player of the month she will put it up on the website. Cassandra is also going to post the sponsors from the Novice tournament on the website. Cassandra is also going to request that Jamie keep all the ice schedules up on the website. This will help assist Tammy and others.

Ice Schedule: nothing to report (not in attendance)

Ref assignor: All is running smooth, Brandy feels positive about working with Shane and the refs. Christy inquires into paystubs for the refs and developing new refs from a two man system to a three man system. Brandy hands' answering these inquires to Shane. Shane states they can do paystubs, information given that last year was the first year it was done. Christy has the laptop back from Trish so we can look as see if there is a template. Shane is working on the second phase which includes training on a three man system.

Ref and Chief: Shane received a request from Calmar to use our refs. Shane called back Calmar rep to work on details and voice concern. He has received no response. Concerns are that our refs will be schedule by them and we may need them or what if one of our refs gets sick and we have no one to call on. However, Shane also knows this could provide more practice and income for our refs.

1660 Rep/ Govern: Nothing to report.

Treasure: Nothing major to report. Working on books for the first tournament (Novice)

Registrar: 6 teams were not approved by HA. What this means is that some players or coaches do not have the requirements need. Darcy is working with the coaches. The bigger issue is the players. They are not approved because the parents have not completed the parent respect and sport. Lisa has sent

numerous emails in regards to this matter to the parents and coaches of these teams. A board discussion followed as to how to handle the situation.

- Remove player from the roster and make Lisa do the work of taking them on and off
- Not allow the team to play as a whole and get possible fines from 1660.

In the end it was determined that Lisa would do the work if needed but Mike (president) was going to contact the families by phone the very next day. It was also determined that we would have a spot for the respect and sport number next year on our online registration.

Level Director: Hopefully apparel will be in next week. Pictures from 20/20 should be back around the 20th. 3 copies of the initiation pictures have been taken to Tim Horton's by 20/20 as a donation. Christy is working on putting together contact lists for each team. She has a team that does not have a parent Liaison. Lisa offered to be there parent liaison. Player of the month has been completed for October and she will get the information to Cassandra to put on the website. Wondering if we could get totals from BP on where teams were at for winning the pizza parties. Stephanie does not want to ask BP to do more work. In the end Stephanie will follow up with Virginia at BP.

Fundraiser: Working on collecting of the Grey Cup tickets. Has set times to be at the rink to gather them. Is working on handing out water park tickets. We are still short tickets for 6 families. We will have to decide on what to do for these families. We will discuss at a later meeting. Need to set a date for the dance and try to book the hall. Reviewed issue with AGLC and getting off their audit list and being able to do casino's again. We may need to have a special meeting. Stephanie will look into this further and book the hall if needed.

7. Misc Items

Shane: Request from a ref to have his pay given to the younger refs or to help with their training. Discussed and agreed that pay will stay the same he can contribute back if he wants. It is much extra work and tracking for Tammy and Reg and Chief

Tammy would like to see Calmar ice put into the rotation and not used as pick up ice because of the amount we pay for it. This ice slot should be used between Novice and Atom for the one team in the week that only gets a half ice practice. Mike will talk to Jamie about this and give her direction.

Cassandra and Chris: question with where are moneys are used and go from some of the new minor hockey parents. 20% from the tournament back to the club extra. Financials are available at the AGM. Further discussion about

being transparent etc. Came to the conclusion that Cassandra will add and new tab with a pie chart or something to the website. Then there will be one message and anyone asked can point to our website. Stephanie will assist Cassandra with this.

Stephanie will check on dates for the next meeting if it needs to be a special meeting.

Motion Mike to adjourn the meeting Stephanie second all in favor.
