



Didsbury Ramblers Minor Hockey Association

Didsbury Multiplex Concession Lobby
6:00pm, February 11, 2016

Attendance	Absent
Ryan Mierke, President	Kelvin Knutson, Ref in Chief
Keean Milburn, CAHL Rep	Cam Campbell, CAHL Gov
Dave Boyle, Secretary	Nicki Boyle, 2 & 27 Rep
Dionne Blatz, Ice Scheduler	
Jeff Miller, Coach in Chief	
Tracey Knutson, Registrar & Ref Assignor	
Tara Fifield, Treasurer	
Andrea Sawatzky, Media Rep & Web Master	
Mike Heppner, Vice President	
Tanya Rylance, Fundraising	
Cory Fifield, Equipment Manager	

- Call To Order
 - Meeting called to order by Ryan Mierke at 6:01
- Discussion regarding tournament money allocation for Atom tournament. Some Atom parents visited. Ryan led off discussion. In January meeting of 2015 voted a change regarding profit distribution. 50/50 split between association and team, and cap it at \$1,000.00. Discussed that the Atom tournament didn't make any money. Atom parents shared their thoughts. Parents didn't like paying \$30.00 per parent. It was not a DMHA board decision to collect from parents up front. End of the day the tournament was a success for kids because they had fun, however it wasn't a success financially. Long discussion regarding potential changes to future years. It was noted by an Atom parent that they aren't looking for more money for this year, just changes to next year. Suggestion to have a manual for tournaments, association to float money for teams at the start of the year, and a suggestion to have a tournament coordinator position on the board. Reality is fundraising helps keep fees affordable for everyone parent so that people of all income levels can join minor hockey. All tournaments are DMHA fundraisers and not just team fundraisers. When other tournaments do well it helps keep fees down for all levels.
- Tanya motioned, Dionne seconded adoption of minutes from January's meeting. Passed.

- Ice schedule: March 13th has ice done.
- CAHL Report: Coaches need to relax on the bench. Some concerns there. If a 2 minute penalty for hitting from behind means they get ejected. Be aware of this.
- 2&27 Rep: 650 dollars per team for the mandatory tournament. March 12 & 13 are the dates.
- Coach Report: Working on survey monkey. Will work on it and get survey out to people. Will have debriefing sessions with head coaches.
- Ref In Chief: One child quit.
- Ryan: Talked about Tim Horton's wanting to potentially sponsor Tykes and pre hockey kids by supplying Timbits jerseys. Ryan will find out more.
- Treasurer's Report: Jenn Brado has volunteered to do next Casino. Both Tyke teams owe money.
- Budgeting Items:
 - Want to look at getting someone who can run a competent program for conditioning camp.
 - Jeff motioned for \$100 conditioning camp fee, Andrea seconded for 4 sessions and hire a professional to run the camp.
 - Tara motioned to keep registration fees the same. Andrea has seconded. 5 voted for. 3 against. 1 abstained.
 - Dionne shared an email from Tyke team. Concerns about mandatory 2&27 tournament and cost not being covered.
 - Jeff Miller has made a motion for the 2016-2017 season and moving forward that Tyke 2&27 mandatory tournament fee is covered by DMHA through their annual fees. Kean seconded. Passed.
 - Ryan motions every tournament organizing committee submit a budget for a tournament 30 days prior to the event. Kean seconded. Passed.
 - Jeff motioned, Dave seconded a tournament coordinator type board position to be voted in at AGM. This position will help ensure good planning is done to ensure financial goals are met at association fundraising tournaments, be it tyke, novice, or atom levels.
 - Drop dead date for fees discussion. Ryan motioned that fees aren't paid in the amount of 50% by start of evaluations, they don't participate in evaluations. If not paid by October 31, kids get pulled from the ice November 1. Condition camp fees must be paid prior to the start or no condition camp for that kid. Jeff seconded. Passed.
- Andrea will organize awards night, Ryan can help.
- We will send a letter to Atom parents thanking them for their input and advising the creation of a Tournament Coordinator type position on the board that will assist with guidance to future committees to help in obtaining good financial results from association fundraising tournaments to help teams with operating costs and help the association with keeping fees at affordable levels for all children to play. Ryan will draft it.
- Adjourned 8:42.