

KPMHA Executive Meeting
MEETING MINUTES
March 6th, 2014
Elsie Miles School

Executive Members Attendance: Erin Egeland, Keith Reymerink, Louise Thomson, Nigel Hussey, Nelly Brummitt, Dave Brummitt, Kirk Young, Ian Chabot, Bob Williams, Keith Reymerink, Natasha Hennessy, Alison Russell, Kayle Bell, Dave McDill,

Absent: Chris Claxton, Brandi Paisley

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm

Motion to approve agenda: KR

Second: DC

Carried

Motion to approve Feb 3rd, 2014 Minutes: KR

Second: DB

Carried

Old Business

New Business

- Registration – Louise
 - Numbers presented from registration period
- Tryout deadline
 - Motion – AR – Players not on the tryout list prior to April 6th, 2014 will not be eligible for a release if no team in category is declared in their respective division
 - Second: DM
 - Carried
 - Louise to send out to Division Coordinators to send out to managers and released players

President's Report – Erin Egeland

Let me start by saying that I am really proud of all of our teams this year whether winning banners, making playoffs, or persevering through challenging obstacles. My hope is that all players and volunteers had fun learning and developing their multitude of skills acquired on or off the bench.

Recognition Night

I am currently working with Diana and Nelly to organize the Recognition Night event. All is going well but we will be in need of some help on the night of the event.

As the programming becomes more finely tuned, a detailed schedule of events will be distributed for you to volunteer for or if someone that you know is interested in helping, please have them contact Diana.

VIAHA Awards and Scholarships

Monday, March 31st - Deadline to submit nominations for VIAHA Awards and Scholarships.

Awards - VIAHA Awards are:

- MHA of the Year
- Coach of the Year
- Official of the Year
- President's Award

Refer to the VIAHA link for details of the above award categories:

<http://www.viaha.org/administration/index.php#awards>

Scholarships - I sent a notice to both Midget team managers as well as to Lori Hryniuk at Frances Kelsey to forward to those overseeing student applications for Bursaries and Scholarships in pursuit of post-secondary placements.

VIAHA Meeting

Sunday, April 13th - VIAHA EXEC Committee Meeting – 11:00am – Nanaimo

Ice Report

Subsequent to the JrB Islanders being eliminated from the playoffs, a number of ice slots became available. Sheena at KP Recreation offered them first to minor hockey which I have since offered to managers on multiple occasions. The slots are slowly filling up over Spring Break.

I have truly enjoyed managing the ice schedule although at times it is very hectic in my already hectic schedule, but having the constant contact with team managers and coaches has been invaluable. It has been such a great experience working with such a great group of volunteers and with the KP, Lake Cowichan, and Fuller Lake recreation folks!

The meeting with the CVMHA folks and Ernie Mansueti went well. Stay tuned as developments arise.

Executive Reports:

1st Vice – DB

- It has been a hectic month of minor hockey as the regular season winds down and the recreational playoffs begin this weekend. Congratulations to the Atom Development team for winning their divisional league banners. Good luck to all teams competing in this

weekend's playoff matches (Midget C2, Bantam C1, PeeWee C2, Atom C1, Atom D1, Atom D2).

- I have agreed to help MC the 2nd annual KPMHA Recognition Night and look forward to the festivities. Participation in the relay races and Kinsol cup have been well received by many players. Please encourage all families to attend this entertaining and well-planned event. Sorry Chris, I am pulling for the Midget team this year.
- I would like to support the motion put forward by our Novice coordinator to allow 4 year olds to join the Initiation division starting this coming September of 2014. This is a growing trend in Minor Hockey Canada and has been gaining momentum in western Canada.
 - Motion: DB - That KPMHA would allow 4 year olds to join the Initiation division starting this coming September of 2014.
 - Second: DM
 - Motion Tabled
 - Kayle to do some investigating into how this looks at other associations
- In regards to left over development funds, I would like to open the discussion of putting a significant amount of these funds towards goalie development this summer. We have gaps in the higher divisions on available goalies and are at risk of not being able to form recreational teams with a willing goaltender. Further development and promotion of goalies in all divisions and at all levels would aid in assuring that the occurrence of this situation does not repeat itself in the future.

2nd Vice/Ice – VACANT – Erin covering

- All is running smoothly.
- Report under President's report
- Lots of Spring Break ice still available

Treasurer- AR

- Reports sent out via email.
- Alison presented a request from the Atom Development that the cost of their officials be covered by the Association.
- Request denied.

Registrar – LT

- Report given during new business

Head Coach –BW

- Report sent out.
- Post –tasks coming in.
- Survey being sent out for coach's evaluations.
- Bob will be resigning as the Head Coach as of the AGM.

Equipment – CC -ABSENT

- Coach's repair kits going out to coaches.

- Motion – BW – KPMHA to spend up to \$500 to store our equipment during the arena floor renovation.
 - Second: KB
 - Carried

Risk Manager – AR

- No report

Referee Assignor: - Vacant (Louise filling in)

- All running smoothly

Referee in Chief – Ian Chabot

- Motion – IC – KPMHA to cover up to \$1000 to send Jamie Burns to the Okanagan Officials School this summer.
- Second: AR
- Carried
- Hoping to get more ice for monthly development with the officials.

Tournament and Sponsorship – Diana Craveiro

- Working on end of year awards
- Donations requested/sponsorship requests
- Schedule will be out shortly

Competitive – KY

- Report submitted via email

Development – no meetings

Division Coordinators:

- Initiation – Kayle Bell
- I have had some unhappy parents as of late in our division. Some don't feel the teams are fair. I chose, at the start of the year to split the first and second year players respectively. There is a huge developmental gap this year in particular between them. The first year team has been getting beat quite badly from what I understand. I'm not certain as to what the right direction should be moving forward. In the past when we have had blended teams, we may have won more games, but it was the same one or two players getting the puck over and over while the other kids stood around. In short, I don't know what the right answer is.
- I managed to secure some development ice for our group that runs from March 8th through May 31st.
- Our second year team is in a tournament on the 15th of March in Fuller Lake.
- How much development money do we have left, and when is the deadline for it's usage? If there are teams that have chosen not to use their funds, can other teams apply for it. We should ensure it gets utilized
- I'm still working on an Initiation Manual. I hope to have it ready soon.

- Novice – Nigel Hussey
 - Over the last month the Novice division has been performing extremely well. All 4 Novice teams have been using their development funds with positive results.
 - As Kayle has mentioned it would be beneficial that the association could continue to use the remaining development funds throughout the Spring/Summer. I have some ideas and would like to discuss this at the meeting on Thursday.
- Atom – Natasha Hennessy
 - Atom C1 - lost the banner for their division by 1 point. Side note: Atom C1's PIM were 27 vs the other 4 teams which were in range of 38-52) and for that I am extremely proud of their conduct on and off the ice and representing KP in a positive manner. Playoff games are this weekend.
 - Atom D1 is in 3rd place, and D2 is in 4th in the green division. Atom D2 also had excellent PIM. Playoff games are also this weekend.
 - Both D1 and C1 are in an upcoming tournament in Victoria over Spring Break.
 - I might be absent during voting for the motion re: allowing 4 year olds in hockey, but for what it's worth I'm fully supportive, and I see many young capable keen skaters at the rink who would like to play hockey, but aren't able to. I also feel very strongly about furthering our goaltenders and promoting that in whatever way we can; through financial support for development, equipment, etc.
 - Kirk and I have spoken about the brown bag sessions I had proposed at the last executive meeting. My original intention for the meetings were to provide an informal way to connect with parents/players about where our registration numbers are at, and what to expect moving forward into the 2014-15 season.
 - We discussed the different merits to holding one big meeting/vs. smaller meetings to be held for rep/dev parents - hopefully the details get sorted out tonight at the meeting. I'm grateful Nelly that you would like to be involved, and I'm hoping Keith and Dave are also supportive of attending.
- Peewee – Nelly Brummitt
 - Both balanced teams have had fairly successful seasons...
 - C2/White - played in blue division. They tied for 4, but unfortunately lost the tie breaker (section c - goals for/against). They have a tourney in Comox next week.
 - Generally I am happy with how the teams worked out this season, but I know there are a handful of parents who are not pleased with how the season unfolded. Both teams finished the season middle of their divisions against 'balanced' teams...supporting my thoughts on not tiering them. It wasn't a perfect answer but it was the best decision for the majority of the players. Hopefully next season we will have a rep team in PW which will allow those who wanted to and have the abilities play competitive hockey rather than house.
 - 2) Team names - C1/2 - is there a another way to name our teams, especially when balanced? Most other associations do not realize that we are a small association and our C1 team may not be a true major team. More than once over the years my kids teams have played in tourneys with major teams. The PW C1/blue team had that problem over xmas and choose not to play.
 - 3) Despite offering to organize, neither team in Pw have used their dev money and I am not sure why..personally disappointed with this. Pre-organize develop sessions for lower divisions?????? Ideas anyone?????
 - 4) Managers manual is more or less written, just in editing mode. Once completed will place on memory stix and give to Louise so it can be either placed on web site/mailed to team mangers when they take over teams.
 - 5) Recognition Night - I am organizing relay races (see attached) will explain in more details, please add in you ideas

- Bantam – Keith Reymerink
 - C1 has made the playoffs and was right in the banner hunt until the very end
 - C2 will not make the playoffs this year.
 - We are potentially losing one of our goalies for next year, which will leave us with 2 or 3. There is a large gap in ability between our #1 and 2 and 3 goalies. I believe this gap will make in very hard to balance teams next year evenly as the goalie position can really change the balance of a hockey team. Therefore if our goalie situation doesn't change I strongly encourage a major and minor team again next year.
 - The C1 team is in a tournament spring break while the C2 team's last game is the 16th.
 - As the bantam coordinator I would like to sit in on the meeting with the rep parents.

- Midget – Dave McDill
 - All is well.
 - One team in playoff contention
- Female Division Coordinator - Brandi Paisley - ABSENT
 - No report

Meeting adjourned at 8:35pm

Next meeting- April 8th, 2014 – Elsie Miles School, Shawnigan Lake