

**Major Hockey League
Spring Meeting
April 20, 2013
Saltcoats Town Office -- Saltcoats, SK**

MHL Spring Meeting held April 20/13 in Saltcoats with the following in attendance: President, Sec/Treas, Canora, Churchbridge, Esterhazy, Foam Lake, GrandPlains, Grenfell, Kamsack, Langenburg, Melville, Moosomin, Ochapowace, Roblin, Rocanville, Swan River, Wapella, Whitewood.
Absent were: Statistician, Ref in Chief, Cote, Fort Qu'Appelle, Keeseekoose, Preeceville, Yorkton.

Meeting was called to order by President, Sterling Switzer, at 1:05pm.

All centers in attendance advised there will be **one vote per center.**

Canora/Churchbridge that the agenda be approved with two additions:

- (1) novice & atom scheduling
- (2) voting new teams in

CARRIED

Kamsack/Langenburg that the 2012 AGM (fall meeting) minutes be adopted as read.

CARRIED

Foam Lake/Churchbridge that the Financial Reports be adopted as reported. (see attached)

Sec-Treas/Grenfell that the President be reimbursed for all cell phone usage pertaining to league business.

President/Ochapowace that we have the MHL books audited by an outside party each year.

CARRIED

Statistician Report unavailable.

- Rod Luypaert is no longer interested in being Statistician nor Vice President.
- **Moosomin/Langenburg** that we elect Jason Stevenson from Melville as new Statistician.

CARRIED

President's Report as per attached. Sterling will do further research on "Respect Ed" and the possibility of having a presentation of such at the fall AGM to address situations of negative fan issues in our arenas.

Esterhazy/Rocanville that Preeceville Midgets pass probation.

CARRIED

President/Melville that Grenfell Bantams pass probation.

CARRIED

President/Moosomin that Cote Bantam and Midget be kept on probation one more year and that Sterling contact Dave Friday with a list of deficient sanitary conditions within Cote Arena and have it stipulated that all issues are to be repaired by Sept.27, 2013 or Cote Minor Hockey will have to find an alternate venue for their home games for the 2013/14 season or until such time that all repair work is complete.

CARRIED

President/Canora that Keeseekoose Novice remain on probation one more year and that Sterling address issues with Charles Keshane regarding their standing and poor representation in MHL.

CARRIED

President/Moosomin that the two Swan River Atom teams pass probation.

CARRIED

Constitutional amendments tabled to 2013 Fall AGM. 30days notice will be given prior to date of AGM.

Sterling proposed possible change to assigning commissioners. Perhaps having just one commissioner for novice/atom/pee wee and a separate commissioner for bantam/midget may be more feasible/beneficial. Another suggestion was to have a north and a south commissioner. All were in agreement of trying something different. Tabled as a constitution amendment for 2013 fall AGM.

Foam Lake/Kamsack that MHL, in addition to covering the cost of officials for All Star Games, will now also cover cost of ice rental for the host community. MHL will also give \$1000 to the host community to use for other All Star Game expenses as they see fit.

CARRIED

President/Canora that Moosomin's two Novice teams be fined \$100 each for violating the Constitution in regards to scheduling/attending carded tournaments during playoffs.

DEFEATED

It was noted that there were exceptions made in regards to the "no forfeits" rule stated in Constitution but the forfeits that were allowed by the President were under extra-ordinary circumstances and felt warranted. All MH Presidents in agreement that they trust MHL President and his judgements, therefore no justification of actions is necessary.

Discussion of constitution rule regarding cancellation of games due to weather and who decides if weather is adverse. Rocanville to submit proposal for Constitution amendment prior to fall AGM if they so choose.

In regards to the ongoing issue with our Manitoba teams and parity in league, the Manitoba Parkland President has confirmed that as of Monday April 22/13, the option of double rostering Bantam teams will be deleted therefore defeating purpose of discussion of this topic.

Overage player lists will be brought to fall AGM for review. Any submissions after this date will then go through MHL President. Basically, the Constitution regarding overages will be followed and enforced.

Decision made to set Novice and Atom games deadline as January 12, 2014. The rest of all formats will be decided at the fall AGM.

MHL President had all MH Presidents read and sign a copy of SHA's Social Media Policy and will submit signed copy to SHA office. All MH Presidents were also advised to further educate their minor hockey associates of same such policy.

All Manitoba teams affected by SHA's proposed regulation changes have been notified.

Voting new teams into League will be brought forward as a Constitution change before the fall AGM.

The 2013 fall AGM meeting date will be determined and confirmed at a later date (via email).

Sec-Treas/President that the meeting be adjourned at 4:15pm.

CARRIED