

WMHA Executive Board

Meeting Minutes for February 24, 2016

Call to order 6:30 PM

In attendance: Ty, Brian, Deb, Tina, Geniene, Shannon, Michelle. Darrin, Garth, Jim, Ashley, Darcy, Bart.

Ashley made the motion to accept the January 18, 2016 minutes, Ty second, Passed.

Agenda Items

Montreal Canadians Alumni

Montreal Canadians Alumni Breakdown, \$3000.00 to be split between WMHA and the Icemen. The board was looking for a more detailed financial statement, will ask Neil to report back.

Hitting Clinic

Discussion was had if there should be a hitting clinic this spring and in the fall for Peewee and returning Bantam. Board agreed something should be put together to be handled by Coach / Player Development.

Affiliation Process

There is a need for documentation on affiliation process. Board members were given a document last meeting to review, Parents will need to sign an affiliation form for 2016/17 season.

Ashley made the motion to accept affiliation process for players in the 2016/2017 season. Jim second, Passed.

AA Program

Darcy presented to the board a presentation on AA past and future of the program

Break down of players from each association for AA PROGRAM

Peewee AA 6 imports 2015/16

- (3) Maskwacis
- (1) Winfield
- (1) Ponoka
- (1) Beaumont

2014/15 record first year in league played 22 games 7 wins 15 Losses 0 ties. 46 goals for, 153 goals against. Played in the rural Black West Division with Sturgeon, Slave Lake and Whitecourt. Lost out in final Zone game against Leduc to go to Provincials.

2015/16 (as of Feb 16th, 2016) Played 22 games, 2 wins, 19 loses, 1 tie. 60 goals for, 178 goals against. Going to tournament to advance to provincials .

Bantam AA = 10 imports 2015/16

- (1) Winfield
- (3) Maskwacis
- (5) Ponoka
- (1) Calmar

2013/14 record first year played 32 games, 8 wins, 20 loses, 4 ties. 108 goals for, 167 against. Played in Rural White Division with Beaumont, Fort Saskatchewan, Spruce Grove, Leduc, Strathcona, Stony Plain and Sturgen.

2014/15 record second year could not fill a team for AA no draw zone in effect

2015/16 record third year (as of Feb 16th 2016) Played 28 games, 6 wins, 19 loses, 3 ties. 89 goals for, 136 goals against. Played in Rural White Division with Strathcona, Beaumont, Wainwright, Lloydminster, Fort Saskatchewan, Sturgeon, Leduc, Camrose, and Lakeland.

Midget AA= 6 2015/16

- (1) Spruce Grove
- (4) Maskwacis
- (1)Millet

2013/14 record first year played 32 games, 13 wins, 16 loses, 3 ties. 104 goals for, 140 goals against. Played in Clean Harbors Division with St Albert, Leduc, PAC , Whitecourt, Sturgeon North Central Bulls, and West Yellowhead.

2014/15 record second year played 32 games, 16 wins, 9 loses, 7 ties. 143 goals for, 103 goals against. Played in Clen Harbors Division with St Albert, Leduc, PAC, Sturgeon, Whitecourt, North Central Bulls. Won silver in A Prov.

2015/16 record third year as of Feb 16th 2016 year played 27 games 0 wins, 26 loses, 1 ties. 63 goals for, 195 goals against. Played in the Edmonton Kenworth Division with Beaumont, Strathcona, Lloydminster, Camrose, Wainwright, and Lakeland.

Next Year AA Wetaskiwin approx numbers based on this year's registration numbers.

New Peewee (Born in 05) - 28

Returning Peewee (Born in 04) - 23

New Bantam (Born in 03) - 18
Returning Bantam (Born in 02) -35
New Midget (Born in 01) - 17
Returning Midget (Born in 99, 00) - 25
Should WMHA continue to be host of AA Program (please see attached survey)

Yes 41.30%
No 34.78%
No Opinion 23.91%

Feb 26, 2016 is the cut off for Hockey Alberta for WMH board to decide if we want to keep AA as a host.

Geniene made the motion to keep the AA Program, Deb second. 11 For, 1 Against. Passed

Board discussed possibly adding an AA Coordinator to the by-laws at the 2016 AGM if Hockey Alberta approves the recruitment area.

Darcy will send Hockey Alberta letter requesting WMHA would like to continue to be host for Recruitment Area on behalf of WMHA.

Tom Thumb Jerseys

Should we purchase new jerseys for Tom Thumb, or keep Tim Horton's, Discussion ensued. - **Tabled**

Skate Sharper

Canadian Tire gave WMHA a skate sharpening machine discussion with City has to happen prior to any set up, Darcy and Tina picked up and is being stored.

AGM

AGM set for April 10, 2016 at the 1:00pm at the Moose Hall, need to confirm booking.

WMHA Banquet

Banquet tentatively set for Apr. 08, 2016

Deb has asked for a \$10,000.00 for the banquet based on the budget numbers from last year and presented the breakdown of cost to the board members.

Bart made the motion to give Deb \$10,000.00 to organize the banquet. Ty second, Passed.

Discussion on Ticket Prices, \$40.00 a ticket, \$280.00 for a table of 8. WMHA will pay for mix. Shannon will get survey done and sent out to members. Venue is tentatively booked, band is booked. Darcy suggested we talk to the Icemen, maybe they want to join us.

Reports of the Executive:

Presidents Report

- HA Bulletin sent out to WMHA for permits and sanctions down from Jan 22 to 31 reopens Feb 01 2016.
- HA Speaker Night sent out to CPD and WMH coordinators to register Jan 26, 2016 in Red Deer.
- Received letter from Hockey Albert that BMH tampering charge against WMH was denied after conference call.
- 1660 Zero Tolerance for Abuse letter received sent out to WMH members.
- HA survey was completed on WMH behalf for checking options for Bantam and Midgets for 2016-17 season.
- HA permits and sanction platform opened WMH has been uploaded same procedures still to be followed sent out to coordinators and managers. Password and log in info has been changed.
- 1660 ref incident report was submitted to WMH, sent to RIC Darrin Rasmuson to respond, has been filed.
- Attended Stettler Minor Hockey meeting in Red Deer to discuss NCHL and CAHL league.
- AA Survey sent out to all members and sent to Hockey Alberta as requested. (see attached survey)
- Worked on AA program with all draw zone associations (recruitment areas).

Vice President

- Garth has been approached by Initiation and Novice parents wanting to know where WMHA is going with the program. Are we going back to 1660, or are we staying in House League.
- Novice Coordinator was asked to give the report on Novice.

Novice Coordinator

- Novice tournament was very successful profiting over \$5,450 to be split evenly between the 3 teams
- The Novice Survey was well received with 96 out of a potential 204 responses. 31 potential Novice parents for next year responded out of an estimated 48 Novice parents. Results to follow.

Garth made the motion to have a travel team in Novice, Tina 2nd, 4 For, 7 Against, 1 Abstained. Not passed.

- Playoffs start this weekend and it is a 8 team round robin format with the finals being played on March 20. The Gold final will be played in Wetaskiwin. Coaches Source for Sports and Stitch'n Magician have graciously offered to sponser the medals again for the Wetaskiwin-Camrose House League.

- Camrose will welcome back Wetaskiwin for house league in the 2016/2017 season. Our estimated numbers have been given to Camrose for next year.
- A recommendation was made to the board to see the numbers as we get closer next year's season and let the new board make the decision, Discussion ensued.

Treasurer Report

- See attached
- Money must be spent by the teams as well as their team budgets to be in by Mar. 23 2016.
- Minor Ball has asked if we wanted to combine bingo's, sharing workers. We declined.

Registrar Report

- Mandatory Bingo's are not tax deductible.
- Presented the board with why we should open early registration and a better payment schedule to help out family's. A payment plan option to be added will be 3 payments by credit card of 40% the first payment, 30% the second payment and 30% the third payment.
Need to know if we can keep fees same for next year so early registration can happen to help family's with more flexibility on payment schedule.
- Board discussed early discount of 10% if registered by June 30th 2016. A 5% discount if you attend the AGM. Closing Date will be Sept 15, 2016. Board has decided to get rid of late fees. This will be rolled out to all members ASAP.
Geniene made the motion to keep registration fees the same as last year, Tina second, Passed.
- We are booked in for Parade of Programs March 16, 2016, as well as the one in September members will be able to pay fees at these dates in addition to online.

Player/Coach Development

- As a final outcome from the coaches round table I decided that the meeting was not as productive as I had intended it to be. This was due to the constant disruptions about the Novice Program and the AA program. Neither one of these items was on the agenda.
- With regards to the skill development sessions there was not enough interest given back to me to support such a program at this time. It seems to me that most people are worried about the level their kids play in versus the development of skill. This concerns me and makes me wonder why we have a development position on the Board.
- I hope that next season we can have specific dates and times for these clinics to happen, starting at the beginning of the year. The focus must change from personal gain to the overall association well being and path forward.

Ice Coordinator

- 6 Playoff games this weekend, 1 provincial game.

- Ice will be gone Mar. 24 2016.
- 1660 is done Mar. 20 2016.

Bingo Coordinator

- We have a Mega Bingo April 16. There is one bingo on March 4, to be filled, June bingo's are half filled already.

Ref Coordinator

- Sending Refs to Camrose for the AA Tournament.
- Winfield complimented the reffing for the Novice Tournament.
- Everything has been going good. There has been more shadowing this year.

Coordinator Reports:

Initiation Coordinator

- Rosters are still coming in for our March 5th tournament. Tournament prep is underway.
- Ideas for wind up are doing a practice learning offside and rules for Novice Division.
- Thanks to all parents for helping out this year.

Atom Coordinator

- Atom 1 is going to zones.

Peewee Coordinator

- Nothing to report

Bantam Coordinator

- All teams are in the play offs, no one is left in Provincials.

Midget Coordinator

- Nothing to report.

Action Items

Tom Thumb Jersey

Darrin adjourned the meeting .

Next Meeting March 23, 2016 @ 6:30 Manluk Center.