

WMHA Executive Board

Meeting Minutes for January 18, 2016

Call to order at 6:37 pm

In attendance: Ashley, Nancy, Shannon, Geniene, Garth, Brian, Michelle, Jason, Darcy, Deb, Jim, Tammy.

Geniene made a motion to accept the December 14, 2015 meeting minutes, Shannon second, Passed

Agenda Item

Regulation Changes

6) Coaches are not allowed to solicit players who reside outside the Wetaskiwin Zone, with the exception of Bantam AA and Midget AA. **** Peewee AA needs to be added.**

Ashley made a motion to add Peewee AA to regulation #6, Deb second, Passed.

19) The president and Vice President shall:

Not hold a team position (coach, assistant coach, manager, trainer, etc) within the association unless the executive passes a special resolution. ****Coach/Player Development needs to be added as this position is a 2yr term.**

Nancy made a motion to add Coach/Player Development, Deb second, Passed

AGM

Date to be set for April 10, 2016 @ 1:00pm. Location Moose Hall, if available.

Tammy made a motion for the AGM to be held on April 10, 2016, Nancy second, Passed

Tom Thunb Jerseys

What to do for this division? Do we order new Tim Horton jerseys, or new/more W jerseys?

Can we put sponsors names on the Tim Horton jerseys? Discussion ensued.

Amendments to September 21/15 meeting

Add the letter request from the Gustafson family to allow import based on special circumstances due to boundary review letter and the condition that they consider themselves local since they are required and bussed to Wetaskiwin School District. As voted on previously it was decided by the board to allow Carter Gustafson as an import based on special circumstances submitted to Wetaskiwin Minor Hockey and Hockey Alberta.

Deb made a motion to make the following amendment to September 21.15 meeting, Geniene second, Passed

Reports of the Executive:

President Report

- Hockey Alberta conference is June 11/12, 2016.
- Website shutdown January 29, 2016
- Attended a conference call January 3, 2016 for Wetaskiwin. Discussed the following:
 - *Team Alberta
 - *Conference to be held in Red Deer, Ab.
 - *Website
 - *Clarification critical dates for next year.
- Minor Hockey week is approaching, dealt with the paper.
- Provincial play down
- Conference call with Bashaw, and Hockey Alberta.

Vice President

- Ralph Pocock needs a deadline. Need to set up a committee to go over application/approval, and payment procedure.
Will draft up proposed guideline for administration for funds for Ralph Pocock.
- Discipline Committee
Letters were sent out to players letting them know that they are suspended until further notice until payment is received. Letters that were sent to Millet players have been rescinded.

Treasurer Report

- See report

Registrar Report

- Requested 2016/2017 season to be opened already. Need to decide how to handle registration, must decide about early/regular/late.
- Developed forms for teams so registration with HA will run smoothly for the up coming season.
- Affiliation forms – Parents and players must give written consent for affiliation.
- Evals must be registered in ramp and player movement forms handed into the registrar. Conditioning camps must be paid and registered.

Public Relations

- Nothing to report at this time.

Player/Coach Report

- Skills clinics will be announced shortly, as there seems to be a lot of interest.
- Coaches survey were received with some minor concerns, but overall were very well received by coaches.

- Montreal Canadians Alumni game cost update will be given at the next meeting as we still are waiting for some advertising dollars.

Bingo Report

- Nothing to report at this time.

Ice Coordinator

- So far everything is going good with the ice.
- Sent out bills to all the managers for their second ice slots.
- Provincials have started. Have 5 games scheduled for this week, so far so good.

Referee Report

- Assigning is going quite well and I have been able to get virtually every ref involved. Last month this amounted to 30 different refs with only one ref, and one game being from out of town. Most weekends as of late have been around 18-24 games per weekend thanks in part of tournaments which makes for around 200 assignment per month.
- We had out of town supervisors for the Bantam tournament, that weekend Lane Lightning, Mitchell Bushnell, Damien Rasmuson and Gavin Hetzner were evaluated as refs, these 4 plus Charlie Sonnenberg (twice), Brett Stachko (twice) and Kailen Benoit were evaluated as linesmen. For the low cost this is a great program. Each of these guys were given feedback between periods from the supervisors and then a final written eval is mailed at a later date. In addition, Mac Anderson and Brian MacDonald advancing to level 3 status, they have also provided multiple evals. I have also had assistance from several of my most senior guys with advancing our young refs. Shadowing also going well with every new ref being done at least 2-4 times depending on schedules.
- The new criminal check system is up and running, some hiccups for sure, but over all things are starting to smooth out with Wetaskiwin having a very good compliance rate.
- With provincials games, things are crazy for sure but first four games already assigned and ready to go.
- A note for future years, perhaps it would be more efficient for the RIC to have cheque signing authority. I believe I go through more cheques than anybody and feel guilty about how much work it makes for our treasurer with about 30 every month to write.

Equipment Report

- Door code has been changed to equipment room.
- Pucks are missing, had 4 pails are down to 2 pails.

Coordinator Reports:

Initiation

- Waiting for cheques to come in for our tournament, should have 12 teams, hopefully by early February.

Novice

- Novice is participating in a mini hockey tournament with Camrose this weekend coming up with 4 games per team, a total of 2 being played in Wetaskiwin. Camrose is sponsoring the awards, Wetaskiwin will provide the awards for the playoffs in March.
- Tournament planning is going much better and everything is coming together. Huge thank you to Geniene for stepping up for the Novice division.
- Coach's evaluations were pretty negative, parents used the venue to vent about the division and the association not to evaluate coach's which is pretty disappointing. An update from Camrose Minor Hockey was provided.

Atom

- Tournament done, so far it looks like we made some money for the division.
- All teams are in provincials.
- Managers seem to be giving some duties to coaches.
- Dealing with parents that constantly cause problems.

Pee wee

- Teiring issues
- AA 1-18-1, Team 1 1-9-1, Team 2 1-10-0

Bantam

- Still collecting fee's

Midget

- Notice that there are lots of suspensions in the league.

Action Items

- Regulation #20
- Registration and Fees
- Montreal Canadian Alumni break down
- Affiliation policy
- Tom Thumb Jerseys

Deb made a motion to adjourn @ 9:11pm

Next meeting February 24, 2016 6:30pm

