

Approved
Blackburn Minor Hockey Association (B.M.H.A.)
Minutes of the meeting
Held in the Blackburn Library
Nov 13, 2007

In Attendance

Jim Shepherd, Fiona Daigle, Paul Hayes, Wally Montpetit, Paul Graham, Randy Arnott, Tammy Lynch, Louise Lee, Bev McKeown, Brenda Feely

Guest, Kim Shonfield (Canteen, Pee Tournament)

1. Call to Order

1.1 The meeting was called at 7.05 p.m.

2. Approval of previous meeting minutes

Motion: That the Minutes from October 9, 2007 meeting be approved as amended.

1st Brenda

2nd Randy

Approved

3. Business arising from previous minutes

3.1 Financial statement from the 2007 tournament presented by Kim, expenses were \$17,325.96, and revenue was \$24,756.32 for a profit of \$7,430.36, handout attached.

Outstanding issues

3.2 Trainer list with expiration date to be created

3.3 Table the signed 2007/8 Rep B agreement

3.4 Banners recognizing last years winning teams to be made

4. New Business

Pee Wee tournament; two volunteers will co-chair the tournament, Jennifer Appleby and Ken Mason. Kim informed the group that the sequence of weekends will be C, B,A , dates are: Jan 12,13 Jan 19,20 and Jan 26,27 respectively. The B weekend is already full. A dedicated group is meeting regularly and feels confident the late start should not affect the success of the three weekends.

Committee Member Reports

5. President

5.1 Jim indicated the GHA is looking at reorganizing our Midget teams. They are meeting at Armstrong Arena to discuss the balancing of many of our teams, as they appear to be too strong. Jim indicated he did not have enough advance warning of the meeting and decided not to attend. Discussion took place on the

philosophy of making teams using a 20-60-20 formula. The history of GHA mandated reorganizing of teams were also discussed.

5.2 Talk took place on how players are given a release to play for another Association. Jim stated his philosophy is to approve all House League requests and hesitates approving any competitive team releases, Rep B.

6. V.P. Administration

6.2 Regrets, report sent via Randy.

6.3 Shredder is in and ready for Association use.

6.4 Team managers meeting scheduled for Nov. 2nd at 7pm in the Library.

7. V.P. Operations

7.1 Regrets.

8. V.P. Finance

8.2 The account as of the end of Nov will be approximately 36K.

8.3 Funds are expected to be in the 24K range at the end of Feb.

8.4 Pee Wee profits will be deposited next week

Action Item: Deposit Pee Wee Tournament profits of \$7,430

8.5 Courses for Coaches, Trainer and the Speak Out Course are expected to cost approximately \$1700.00

9. Registrar

10. Ways and Means

10.1. Sponsors of our teams are now listed on our web site.

10.2. The banners for last year's achievements are being sourced.

11. Ice Scheduler

11.1 December practice schedule is done and January will be completed quickly once it is received.

11.2 Several concerns were fielded concerning 5pm practices. This is not an ideal time slot but must be fairly distributed throughout the season.

12. Equipment

12.1 Regrets

12.2 Stew sent in a note outlining a sock issue at the IP level next year, how will the socks be paid for next year? The group discussed this issue and agreed that the Association fees should include the costs of IP socks.

Action Item: The treasurer includes the cost of socks in next years IP Association Fees.

- 13 Discipline
 - 13.1 Two suspensions given at the Midget Level, 2 games each. One match penalty was served.
 - 13.2 Coaches are to be reminded that the suspension process must be followed, advise Beverley with 24hrs and get advice on appealing any match suspensions.
 - 13.3 The refereeing at the Midget level is of a high caliber and stick infractions are being called.

- 14 Novice Convenor:
 - 14.1 All teams doing well with the A team in 1st.
 - 14.2 All team photos were taken.
 - 14.3 Tournaments will include Skanneateles, New York.

- 15 Atom Convenor
 - 15.1 Team update: A's are middle of the pack and have just won a local tournament. B1 is in the upper third while the B2 are in the bottom third in their standings. The C team is still looking for their first win.
 - 15.2 Paul attended two Seminars. The Parental Training Seminar on Safe and Fun Hockey was put on by the ODMHA. Brochures were circulated to Board Members and will be circulated to IP and Novice parents. This program is intended to help parents communicate with all levels of organized hockey. Paul suggested this program be part of next year's registration night. The second seminar was on concussions. Experts offered detailed information on Concussions. A summary will be generated for Association trainers.

Action Item: Paul drafts a concussion summary sheet for team trainers.

- 16 Pee Wee Convenor
 - 16.1 Teams Update: A are in first place, B1 in first, B2 4th place and C are undefeated in first.
 - 16.2 Teams are operating well with great group of parents.

- 17 Bantam Convenor
 - 17.1 The A team has lost their first four games by 1 goal. The B's are 1st and 2nd place.
 - 17.2 One suspension is being served
 - 17.3 The A team has a tournament planned for Oswego and the B have registered for a tournament in New York state.

18 Midget Convenor

18.1 The Internet is being used to trash talk players. The team coaches and managers are to be instructed to inform their players that this will not be tolerated and must stop immediately.

Action Item: Brenda to advise team management to advise their players that the inappropriate use of the Internet will not be tolerated.

18.2 Three to four players are missing each game.

18.3 Several players have decided not to play this season and have been issued refunds.

19 Rep B

19.1 Regrets

19.2 Jim told the group that he intends to speak with Chris about next years agreement. Jim indicated that in the past the Tri-City agreement auto renews annually unless notification is given to the GHA in January.

20 Guest

20.1 Kim submitted a financial report for the 2007 Pee Wee tournament. The group of volunteers raised \$7,430.36, Final Accounting attached.

20.2 Next years committee is meeting regularly and have determined the sequence will be: C Jan 12,13, B Jan 19, 20 and A Jan 26, 27. The B weekend is already full.

20.3 The canteen is on budget however is having difficulty recruiting staff. Parents are able to work off hockey fees by staffing the canteen and high school students can work for community volunteer hours.

Motion to Adjourn at 10.00: First: Tammy Second: Fiona Next Meeting Dec 12, 2007

