

Approved
Blackburn Minor Hockey Association (B.M.H.A.)
Minutes of the meeting
Held in the Blackburn Library
September 23, 2008

In Attendance

Randy Arnott, Derek Purcell, Karen Jacques, Paul Hayes, Wally Montpetit, Paul Graham, Tammy Lynch, Bev McKeown, Laura Weber, Maurice Archambault, Aryn Keshavjee, Eric Giguere, Tina Clark, Fiona Daigle, Sherri Yazdani, Greg Smallwood, Stew Shonfield.

1. Call to Order
 - 1.1 The meeting was called at 7.13 p.m.
2. Approval of previous meeting minutes
 - 2.1 Minutes of June 10th, approved as written.
1st Paul H 2nd Maurice
 - 2.2 Minutes of August 26th, approved as written
1st Paul G 2nd Bev
3. Business arising from previous minutes
 - 3.1 Privacy Policy for the BMHA is still being worked on.
 - 3.2 Banners earned are now hanging in our Arena.
 - 3.3 The 2007/2008 year end financial review is progressing.
4. New Business
 - 4.1 Coach selection for this year. Convenors presented coach candidates to the Board for approval. Convenors will contact successful candidates.

NOVICE:

Jason Fox (A)
Sylvain St-Amant (B1)
Jeff Connelly (B2)
Dwayne Stevenson (C)

Motion: That the coaches be accepted as presented.

1st Laura 2nd Tammy approved

ATOM:

Costa Spiliotopoulos (A)
Neil Poutanen (B1)
Steve Whitehurst (B2)
Brady Clark (C)

Motion: That the coaches be accepted as presented.

1st Sherri 2nd Tammy approved

PEEWEE:

Dan Rees (A)

Michel Brunet (B1)

Kirk Parlee (B2)

Brent Seabrook (B3)

Peewee C tba

Motion: That the coaches be accepted as presented.

1st Amyn 2nd Tammy approved

BANTAM:

John O'Brien (A)

Richard Dupas (B1)

Jason Smith (B2)

Motion: That the coaches be accepted as presented.

1st Karen 2nd Tammy approved

MIDGET: Teams to be determine as evaluations are ongoing. Five teams are expected, 2A and 3B.

Five applications were received for coaching positions. A special discussion took place on the issue of Randy Arnott applying to be a coach while performing the role of convenor. Randy was asked to leave the room while this issue was discussed. The Board felt this dual roll would not be a problem and Randy should continue to pursue a coaching position. Parents will be advised to contact the VP Ops (Tammy) should any issue arise if he is a coach.

Once evaluations are complete and teams made, Board members will be emailed with coach recommendations.

JUVENILE: team and coach tbd.

Committee Member Reports

5. President (Wally)

5.1. GHA update:

- The number of league games will not be reduced as suggested at our last meeting.

6. V.P. Administration (Tina)

6.1 New first aid kits are ready for house league teams.

7. V.P. Operations (Tammy)

7.1 A discussion took place on the evaluation process for this year. The schedule and dual location for evaluations was less than ideal. A list of volunteers willing to perform the duties of evaluator should be created before this season ends. The BMHA web site offered up to date information for parents. Parent complaints are being addressed; most surround the level of player placement.

7.2 The mandatory coach and manager meeting will take place on Tues, September 30th in the Library. Only these two team members should attend as the room is small.

7.3 The GHA is holding a mandatory coaches meeting at Cyrville Community Centre on October 7, 2008.

8. V.P. Finance (Jeff)

8.1 Regrets

9. Registrar (Fiona)

9. I.P. has 50 skaters registered therefore the ice time will not be reduced and 3 hours will be kept.

10. Ways and Means (Paul H)

10.1 The Trainer and Speak out Clinics need more participants. The required minimum Discussion took place suggesting numbers will dramatically increase once the house league teams are formed and after the coaches and managers meeting. The general feeling is both clinics will take place.

10.2 The Association will advertise on the web site that financial assistance is available for Rep B and Ranger players. Potential sources include the GHA's Kevin Lafortune funds and Canadian Tire. The canteen also allows for the opportunity to work off registration fees.

10.3 The issue of how sponsorship is applied at the team level was discussed. The present policy of sponsorship money going to the team and not the individual was discussed. A subcommittee to look into this issue was created with Paul H, Derek, Paul G and Tina volunteering. This group will make recommendations to the Board in the near future.

Motion: That the motion from October 9, 2007 that states, "All funds raised are for the team and not the individual player, including sponsorships and donations," be rescinded.

1st Paul Hayes

2nd Tina

Approved.

- 11 Ice Scheduler (Greg)
 - 11.1 Sept 24-29 schedule was circulated to the Board.
- 12 Equipment (Stew)
 - 12.1 Three sets of goalie equipment was donated
 - 12.2 Times for sweater pick were discussed and will be confirmed during the coaches meeting.
- 13 Discipline (Bev)
 - 13.1 Packages on how to handle discipline and suspensions will be given to coaches at their meeting.
- 14 Public Relations (Vacant)
- 15 Initiation Program (Marc): regrets
 - 15.1 IP parent meeting is planned for Sept 30th. A Safe and Fun presentation will be given by Paul G.
- 16 Novice Convenor (Laura): no issues
- 17 Atom Convenor (Sherri):
 - 17.1 Four new players to hockey, two have quit.
- 18 Pee Wee Convenor (Aryn): no issues.
- 19 Bantam Convenor (Karen): no issues
- 20 Midget Convenor (Randy): no issues.
- 21 Juvenile Convenor (Maurice):
 - 21.1 Twenty skaters have shown interest with the expectation of one team being formed.

21.2 One ice time will be needed in Mid October to help form the team.

22 Rep B (Chris): Regrets

23 Coach Mentor (Eric) no issues

24 GHA, Atom Convenor (Derek)

23.1 The new BMHA bulletin board is now installed. Karen has agreed to help with the layout of the display.

23.2 Derek has questions on his duties with the new rescheduling policy. Clarification should be provided at the GHA coaches meeting.

25 Canteen (Ken) regrets

Motion to Adjourn at 8.28

1st: Fiona

2nd:Paul G Approved

Next Meeting October 14, 2008