

**West Northumberland Girls' Hockey Association
Executive Committee Meeting**

Date: August 12, 2014

Present: Jim Smith, Ryan Smith, Veronica Marriott, Jennifer Ashley, Jason Dalby, Chris Hoskin, Barb Hackney, Curtis Hackney, Trish Davidson, David Evans, Ron Samis, Darren Mackey

Regrets: Dean Jenkins, Susan Landry, Tom Cole, Melanie Cameron, Christina Lumb

ACTIONS CARRIED FORWARD:

Action: Jim & Teresa Smith & June Jenkins to apply for Trillium Grant for development (coach & player).

Action – EVERYONE will forward to second vice president a description of his/her own executive position by our next meeting.

ACTION – Jim will invite Jim Keeling to executive meeting after the AGM.

ACTION – Curtis will look after cresting the ladies houseleague jerseys with current sponsors for next season, once they have been returned. The new executive will decide on the women's houseleague jersey issue. (Whether to have sponsor's names on them or not)

Action – Next Fall (2014), the new Cobourg town council will be approached requesting team banners to be able to be hung during home games in the CCC. JIM will.

ACTION - Curtis to purchase first aid kits and pucks to get ready for house league season

MINUTES

By Jen

Moved by: Barb to accept minutes

Seconded by: Ryan

Carried

TREASURER'S REPORT

By Chris H

Moved by: Veronica

Seconded by: Curtis

Carried

Chris sent an electronic report to all members. Our balance is currently \$29,790.92.

REGISTRAR'S REPORT

Nothing to report.

TOURNAMENT REPORT

By Ryan

Moved by: Barb

Seconded by: Veronica

Carried

To date, we only have a PW BB division for the pink ribbon tournament. Ryan will continue trying to recruit teams for the next few weeks. He will decide by Aug. 30 whether the tourney will run. Teams are already registering for the Winter Classic.

FUNDRAISING REPORT

By Veronica

Moved by: Jason

Seconded by: Chris H

Carried

Fundraising has been ongoing and is going smoothly. Many teams have been participating in a variety of fundraisers. ACTION - Veronica is to look into a ticket sale fundraiser by the Atom B team to ensure approval.

EQUIPMENT REPORT

By Curtis

Moved by: Jen

Seconded by: Dave

Carried

Curtis has acquired some equipment for house league and is continuing to do so.

He has also looked into the Dodge sponsorship program for the novices. They will give \$500 to novice teams for wearing Dodge crest. Curtis will inquire further about this.

JUNIOR HOUSELEAGUE REPORT

Nothing to report.

LADIES HOUSELEAGUE REPORT

Nothing to report.

PLAYER DEVELOPMENT REPORT

By Trish

Moved by: Barb

Seconded by: Curtis

Carried

Trish asked Barb to add Sept 26 is the Hockey Canada Skills camp to the newsletter.

ACTION- Darren will email all the coach's emails to Trish.

Dan Stewart has been hired to do goalie clinics once per month. She has ice booked for the WNGHA trainer's session (Sept. 23 & 24 – 2 separate sessions). Dan is willing to do any team at \$350/team for 5 sessions with their goalies. He would like to have a meeting for goalies, their parents, and coaches.

Trish will discuss these issues at the coach/managers meeting, also. Trish will contact all house league teams so their players can participate.

All of this development is novice-PW. Older teams can approach Trish re: money for development to run their own development program. However, bantam and up goalies can go to the goalie clinics and the coaches can go to the skills camp.

Jason asked if the house league could have a skills session early in the season. Trish said yes.

ICE SCHEDULER REPORT

Nothing to report.

Dean sent Sept schedule to all teams.

SPONSORSHIP REPORT

By Jason

Moved by: Ron

Seconded by: Darren

Carried

Sponsor cheques are starting to come in.

REFEREE IN CHIEF

Nothing to report.

LOWER LAKES REPORT

By Darren

Moved by: Ryan

Seconded by: Curtis

Carried

Aug 20th the preliminary loops will be sent out for review. They will be resent on Sept 17th (may modify) & then on Sept 27th (no changes permitted). LLFHL scheduling day is Sept. 28th at Delta Meadowvale in Mississauga. Sept 24th is the last day for category changes. Darren told Sonya that the PW team will be BB, not A. Chris H. gave Darren a chq to cover the invoice costs.

OWHA REPORT

By Ron

Moved by: Darren

Seconded by: Barb

Carried

General meeting is Sept 6.

MEDIA

Nothing to report.

WEBMASTER

By Ryan

Moved by: Dave

Seconded by: Darren

Carried

New website is up and running. Darren knows how to post things in case Ryan is ever unavailable.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Jim – A player and her family are looking for 4th skate refund to tryout card because she was cut from the 1st team and isn't trying out for second team. The issue was discussed. Vote. No refund.
2. Jim – Policy states that no novice can play atom unless there is no novice team. There is currently a novice player who thinks she has a position on the first Atom team. The coach was told she could skate in tryouts but could not be chosen for the team. WNGHA policy states that a novice cannot be picked for an atom team unless there is no novice team. Also, all teams with Spring tryouts were to pick their full team, so she will be ineligible to play for the first team. If there is no novice team, she will have the option to try out for the second atom team. ACTION – Jim will discuss this issue with the Atom BB coach. (No novice is eligible to be on his roster).
3. WILD preliminary budget for 2014-15 was presented by Chris H. Electronic copies were sent to everyone. Hard copies were distributed at the meeting.
Motion to accept: Barb
Seconded by: Ryan Carried
4. Trish – Northumberland Sports Council – Trish asked if Ryan can put the Northumberland Sport Council's application form for equipment grants, etc. on our website. Ryan agreed. Heather Grundy would like to write us an accessibility policy for WNGHA. ACTION – Trish will work on an accessibility policy with Heather Grundy from the Northumberland Sports Council and present it to the executive at a future meeting.
5. Ryan – Ryan got some quotes for bumper stickers. Following discussion, the group decided to order them from Away with Words since they had the lowest prices. We will order 100 at \$2.25/sticker.
6. Barb wondered if the association is supporting houseleague. She expressed a concern about not limiting rep participation to ensure numbers make houseleague successful. A discussion took place. Darren suggested we change our registration and advertising initiatives to draw more house league players into our organization.

7. Curtis – Curtis would like to review and revamp our policies. ACTION – Curtis will head up a committee to deal with reviewing and revamping WNGHA policies and procedures.

8. PTS & release policies

Trish made the following motion:

Permission to Skate:

PTS forms will be issued once a player has contacted the WNGHA president or registrar. A PTS will not be issued on tryout nights. Only one form per level, per association will be issued at a time.

Releases:

*All requests for releases need to be in writing and presented to WNGHA executive for vote at our next scheduled monthly meeting (currently the second Tuesday of every month). A player moving to a higher level which WNGHA does not provide **will** be granted a release only if she makes the higher level team. ALL lateral requests (players requesting to move to a level that the WNGHA does offer) will be denied, unless the player has moved out of our catchment area. Player releases will not be issued to players who have not fulfilled their financial obligations or have not returned WNGHA equipment.*

Seconded by: Dave Carried

9. Dave – Concussion testing. He stressed the importance of this. He declared a conflict of interest so does not want to put a bid in but wants to ensure this important test occurs in WNGHA. He stressed that his interest in this issue is for the safety of the players only and that it has nothing to do with profit. Concussion Manual – Dave will send it electronically to Ryan so he can post it on the website. It's up-to-date and amazing. It is the latest and best information, including specific sections on children and youth. Dave will go to the coach/managers meeting to present the importance of concussion testing and what it is all about.

ACTION – Jen & Ryan will work together to explore options for concussion testing.

10. Ron asked permission on behalf of the Midget AA coach if they could go to an Ottawa tourney the weekend of the Winter Classic. Because their division hasn't run, in the Winter Classic, for many years, the executive agreed this would be fine.

11. After discussing the women's house league jersey issue, Jen made the Motion- "The women's house league jerseys will remain as is for this season but next year we will order new jersey's annually (with "Wild" on front and numbers on back). Fees will be adjusted to accommodate for this expense".

Seconded by: Barb Carried

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: Barb
Seconded by: Curtis Carried

Next Meeting: September 9, 2014, at 7 pm in the tournament room at the CCC.