

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

Date: Tuesday, March 10, 2015

Present: Jim Smith, Melanie Cameron, Veronica Marriott, Jason Dalby, Chris Hoskin, Dean Jenkins, Barb Hackney, Curtis Hackney, Ron Samis

Regrets: Jen Ashley, Ryan Smith, Tom Cole, Trish Davidson, Susan Landry, Christina Lumb, Shawn Davis and Dave Evans

Be it so noted that Quorum was achieved despite large number of executive absent

ACTIONS CARRIED OVER:

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

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.

ACTION – Curtis will head up a committee to deal with reviewing and revamping WNGHA policies and procedures.

ACTION – Jim and Curtis will meet to discuss defining “conflict of interest” to include in our policies.

ACTION – Curtis will spearhead this project of separating lockup

Action – Jen will draft a letter about banner criteria and send it to Christine, Jim, and Ron for feedback. The good copy will be sent to the rest of the executive for approval before being sent to town council.

ACTION – Dean to confirm with executive the dates for the banquets.

ACTION – Ryan to arrange for reimbursement to teams for volunteer hours (from tournament).

ACTION – Ron & Shawn will draft an email to all parents and staff regarding code of conduct.

MINUTES

By Jen

Moved by: Barb Hackney

Seconded by: Melanie Cameron

Carried

Business Arising from Minutes: __Banquet at the Best Western – arrive at 3:30 pm, dinner to be served approximately 4:00 pm – cash bar – banquet finished by 8:00 pm. The dinner will consist of Chicken, Pasta, and a buffet. Tickets are \$25.00 per person/parent/sibling etc. Each team roster tickets are included in their team fees; however the \$20. Fee per skater and staff has increased to \$25.00

TREASURER’S REPORT

By Chris H

Moved by: Dean Jenkins

Seconded by: Curtis Hackney

Carried

Some grave concerns with our budget and lack of money; WNGHA needs to operate more like a business and be more effective regarding money management; cost analysis’ need to be completed with everything that’s done, i.e. development, ice times, etc. See attached February Financial Statement

submitted by Chris Hoskin. The Banquet, trophies, and scholarship monies are still payables to be received.

REGISTRAR'S REPORT

By Susan email/presented by Jim Smith

Moved by: Barb Hackney

Seconded by: Melanie Cameron

Carried

Susan's email consisted of forecasted figures for teams next year:

Midget Rep: 45 - Midget HL: 45 - possibly 3 Rep teams

Bantam Rep: 39 - Bantam HL: 18 - possibly 2 Rep teams

Pewee Rep: 11 - Pee wee HL: 12 - 1 Rep team

Atom Rep: 12 - Atom HL: 19 - 1 Rep team

Novice: 12 - -hopefully one (Rep) team

According to the OWHA Rules, the Permission to Skate Forms will be valid starting two days after the conclusion of the Provincial Championships; therefore the 14th April at midnight.

Permission to Skate forms will therefore be handed out Wednesday, April 15 from 6 – 7 pm at the CCC. Second round to be determined. Action item: Ryan to post this on the Website

Rules will be attached to all Permission to Skate forms. No releases will be handed out at this time.

TOURNAMENT REPORT

By Ryan/presented by Jim Smith

Moved by: Dean Jenkins

Seconded by: Veronica Marriott

Carried

38 Teams participated; fundraising made \$1304 (close to same amount raised last year)

-the Raffle table brought in \$700 in one day; versus \$871 over two days last year.

-Dean questioned why we paid a WNGHA volunteer to convene at the Memorial Arena; Jim advised it was less expensive than having Gary's personnel cover it

-the biggest issue was simply that there weren't enough teams; WNGHA feels that Mr. Parkinson 'dropped the ball' in that he was slow to advise us of the number of teams (some of which had dropped out) participating, and a schedule; however we had secured ice time; and therefore ultimately paid for unused ice

-an issue raised was should teams be given discounts; i.e. Gary offers discounts to get teams registered; as well as our own 'in house' discounts; that is, that HL only pays \$50. per skater/10 skaters = \$500; versus REP teams paying \$900; and ladies paying \$750. All WNGHA teams should perhaps pay full price

ACTION ITEM: to review the WNGHA fee structure for home teams for the tournament

FUNDRAISING REPORT

By Veronica

Nothing to report.

EQUIPMENT REPORT

By Curtis

Nothing to report.

JUNIOR HOUSELEAGUE REPORT

By Barb

Nothing to report.

LADIES HOUSELEAGUE REPORT

By Chris L.

No report.

Dean shared that the Ladies Championship is Saturday March 28; their games are scheduled in the Bowl; however there is a possibility that the last game may need to be moved to the POND to accommodate a "CCHL Game 5"

DIRECTOR OF PLAYER DEVELOPMENT REPORT

By Trish

No report.

ICE SCHEDULER REPORT

By Dean

Moved by: Curtis Hackney

Seconded by: Jason Dalby Carried

Dean submitted for information/discussion the Tryout Schedule; the Midget AA will start in order to coincide with other centres. April 17 (Bantam & Midget), and April 20 (Peewee and below) are reserved for "Open Skates" for those skaters who have been away from the ice for awhile; there is a fee to skate at these times.

Each level will have four tryout skates; Midget AA, Bantam A, Midget A, Atom BB, Novice, & Peewee A. The Ice Reconciliation will be delivered at the end of March; there are 4 teams which will owe money; and 4 teams which may receive a refund

SPONSORSHIP REPORT

By Jason

Moved by: Chris Hoskin

Seconded by: Dean Jenkins Carried

There are two outstanding sponsorship fees to be collected.

REFEREE IN CHIEF

By Tom

No report.

LOWER LAKES REPORT

By Shawn Davis

No report.

OWHA REPORT

By Ron

Moved by: Veronica Marriott

Seconded by: Melanie Cameron Carried

Three teams are going to the Provincial Championships: Peewee BB, Atom BB, and Bantam A

MEDIA

By Chris L

No report.

WEBMASTER

By Ryan

No report.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Curtis wanted to discuss a previously discussed initiative that the Ladies House league jerseys would be replaced next year; and that an extra \$25 would be charged; there was discussion on whether this initiative had actually been approved.
ACTION ITEM: Jen to look at previous minutes to confirm; and review at next meeting.
2. Ron questioned if we are sticking to the "Where to Start Chart" with regards to upcoming WNHGA try out skates. A discussion ensued regarding proposing to eliminate this rule. A MOTION was tabled to abolish the "Where to Start Chart" for the 2015/2016 WNGHA Tryouts:
Moved by: Ron Samis
Seconded by: Dean Jenkins All in Favour: yes
3. The ice costs for tryouts are approximately \$5400.00
At the last year price of \$60. WNGHA needs to sell 90 tryout cards. If we increase the fee to \$65. we need to sell 83 to break even. There are 163 Rep kids; covering the tryout costs shouldn't pose a problem.
Tryout Cards and Fees were discussed: tryout cards will be \$65. /skater for 4 skates; non refundable or single tryout skates will be \$20. / Skater. Tryout cards are available only at the FIRST SKATE for the fee of \$65. I.e. skater cannot pay \$20. For first skate, then request to buy a Tryout card for \$65. Less the \$20. Paid previously. If the player misses the first skate, and presents for the 2nd skate and wishes to buy the Tryout card, the fee remains the same: \$65.00
MOTION to raise the cost of the tryout card to \$65.00 regardless of 60 or 90 minute ice time/tryout skate:
Moved by: Dean Jenkins
Seconded by: Curtis Hackney All in Favour: yes
After reviewing the tryout skate schedule, and the proposed number of skaters available for the 2015 – 2016 season, it was decided to cancel the proposed ice times
4. Dean reviewed the Banquet information and passed this to Jim.
ACTION ITEM: Jim will circulate this information to the Rep teams
5. Jim Smith advised that with the close of the WNGHA 2014 – 2015 season, he will be resigning as the League President.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: Curtis Hackney

Seconded by: Veronica Marriott

Carried

Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 14, 2015 at 7 pm