

**West Northumberland Girls' Hockey Association
Executive Meeting – Minutes**

Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2017

Present: Greg Brocanier, Lynn Marie Brocanier, Sarah LeBlanc, Veronica Marriott, Jason Dalby, Ian Koellner, Jennifer Ashley, Kelly Watson, Shawn (Toad) Davis, Curtis Hackney, Barb Hackney, Trudy Stacey, Tom Cole, Ron Samis, Danielle Rock, Darren Mackey, Ryan Smith

Regrets: Steve Kniff

ACTIONS CARRIED OVER:

ACTION – Next summer (2016), the executive will review the WNGHA fee structure for home teams for the tournament.

ACTION – The 2017-18 executive will discuss creating a login for people to sign in if they wish to complete a coach evaluation.

ACTION – 2016-2017 executive should add an intent to tryout form on the website for the 2017-18 tryouts so executive is aware of approximately how many players will be trying out for each team (all levels). Ron will send this to Ryan.

ACTION – Ian will request a deferral of the additional \$5000 for the CCC for 1 year.

ACTION – Jen will network with Dean about historical information regarding girls' hockey in Cobourg. (pending response from Dean)

ACTION – Incorporate photo permission form onto registration forms for next season.

ACTION – Lynn Marie, Kelly, Veronica & Jen will spearhead the organization of volunteers for the 50/50 draw at the RBC Cup.

ACTION – Toad will find a TV and will inquire about a donation (Harry approved a TV in the CCC foyer to advertise/promote WNGHA).

ACTION – Toad will inform coaches that any player or staff who is suspended twice, gets an extra 3 games on their second suspension.

ACTION – Veronica will remind coaches that the track and surrounding area is off-limits during paid Bowl events. Also, Wild team representatives are to be respectful of other user groups. Contact Darren Mackey if you have any contacts/situations.

ACTION – Toad will solicit door prizes from Sommerville's and Dave Marshall for the banquet.

ACTION – All executive members are encouraged to solicit door prizes before the next meeting

so we can inventory them at that time.

ACTION – Ian will submit a revision of the banking policy, specifically regarding bank cards, for the AGM.

ACTION – Ian will inform all teams that all receipts must be itemized and signed by both signees.

MINUTES

By Jen

Moved by: Curtis

Seconded by: Danielle

Carried

Approval of minutes from February 14, 2017.

TREASURER’S REPORT

By Ian

Moved by: Veronica

Seconded by: Toad

Carried

No formal report this month. The only change this month is the investment for the jersey deposit and the Atom BB fine.

REGISTRAR’S REPORT

By Jason

Nothing new to report.

TOURNAMENT REPORT

By Sarah

Moved by: Jason

Seconded by: Kelly

Carried

Darren is exploring potential new dates for our tourney. Sarah will be mentored by the Nighthawks regarding the running of the tournament. She has already made some connections. They are looking at the end of October/beginning of November. Trudy suggested getting an Olympian to help sponsor, like the Nighthawks do with the Justin Williams Tourney.

Sarah applied for the \$10000 grant and for Esso Fun Day.

FUNDRAISING REPORT

By Darren

Nothing new to report.

There is only one team left to report.

EQUIPMENT REPORT

By Curtis

Moved by: Barb

Seconded by: Lynne Marie

Carried

Jerseys were returned by the ladies. It went very well, having used the deposit system this year. Curtis recommended continuing that practice.

JUNIOR HOUSELEAGUE REPORT

By Barb

Moved by: Sarah

Seconded by: Greg

Carried

There will be no house league banquet this year due to lack of interest in the past. The older kids had a pizza party after their last game, which went very well, and the younger teams will have a pool party.

LADIES HOUSELEAGUE REPORT

By Kelly

Nothing new to report.

DIRECTOR OF COACH & PLAYER DEVELOPMENT REPORT

By Greg

Moved by: Darren

Seconded by: Tom

Carried

Some dates were shuffled around due to weather, etc. We are short 4 sessions, to date. He will discuss it with the coaches involved and will either use it, incorporate it into tryouts, or we'll get a refund from Spike. It will be up to the coaches.

Greg would like to present a package to the executive at the next meeting. Greg had several coaches and parents asking for more development sessions next season. Greg is considering having Dan Stewart come out and work with goalies during the sessions Spike is there. If there is only one goalie, Dan would request another Wild goalie be present. Greg will bring a specific model for next meeting. Jen mentioned that Midget AA would like to incorporate power skating early in the season, if possible.

Greg has explored the ESSO program. He would like to run a development day next year. The Bauer First Shift Program has officially opened. There were about 49 in the program this year and about 18 were girls. Ian made a motion for Greg to apply to the BFS program. Sarah 2nd. Carried.

ACTION – Greg will apply for the Bauer First Shift Program for next season.

ICE SCHEDULER REPORT

By Darren

Moved by: Ian

Seconded by: Ryan

Carried

We have to re-adjust our tryout dates due to the OWHA PTS dates. After discussion, it was decided to start the tryouts on April 17.

ACTION – Ron will draft a post for the website re: the unique tryout situation this year due to the RBC Cup. Ryan will post.

SPONSORSHIP REPORT

By Steve

No report.

REFEREE IN CHIEF

By Tom

Nothing new to report.

LOWER LAKES REPORT

By Veronica

Moved by: Trudy

Seconded by: Jen

Carried

PW C is in round 2.

OWHA REPORT

By Toad

Nothing new to report.

PUBLIC RELATIONS & MEDIA

By Danielle

Moved by: Curtis

Seconded by: Veronica

Carried

Danielle spoke to John Webb – March 20 is the deadline for the April/May issue of HQ Sport. Danielle would like to see if we can get a sponsor to advertise our page so we don't have to pay for it. He is going to try to publish her clip on the benefits of playing girls hockey. Danielle will send it to Ryan to post on the website.

ACTION - She will send the article to Trudy and Jen for feedback before sending it in for publication.

This article will go on our website, too. After discussion, executive supported Danielle trying to get a sponsor for that page.

WEBMASTER

By Ryan

Nothing new to report.

NEW BUSINESS :

1. Danielle – She reported that there are 5 returning players to novice. There was a long discussion about our novice program, it was decided to use the Scotiabank sponsorship money to offer \$100 reduction for first time novices for the upcoming season. ACTION – Ian will review the budget to ensure this discount is affordable. Ian suggested atom players who participate in first shift program also be offered this

- incentive.
2. Veronica announced the coaches selected for next season. Veronica reminded executive members that this is confidential until all successful candidates have been notified.
PW A – Toad Davis Motion to accept: Jen, 2nd- Sarah Carried (unanimous)
Bantam A – Lyndon Watt Motion to accept: Trudy 2nd – Tom Carried (unanimous)
Midget AA – Ken Pederson Motion to accept: Sarah 2nd – Lynne Marie Carried (unanimous)
Atom BB – Bob Sheehy Motion to accept: Curtis 2nd – Lynne Marie Carried (unanimous)
 3. Clothing Committee – They will develop a package to offer the girls. Sarah will send out tenders for off ice attire. Sarah will publish contest for alternate logo. The winning logo will only be used if the executive approves it. Greg’s graphic designer can help with layout designs for Wild-wear, to send to vendors. Ian said he has found someone who can customize skate guards for us.
 4. Greg – At this year’s AGM he would like a policy in place for a voting process. Greg will forward a motion to the AGM regarding this process. Action – Greg will come with a motion regarding AGM voting process to the next meeting.
 5. Ian distributed a “tryout price determination” breakdown. After a discussion about possible options, Ian made a motion to charge \$75 tryout card (or \$30/tryout) for all teams but novice \$60 tryout card (or \$25/tryout). No cap. 2nd – Trudy. Carried.
 6. Ian reported from the meeting that he and Jen had with Ashley Haynes regarding the RBC Cup 50/50 draws. Provincial licensing is changing and should be in place by April 1st. It is an electronic system. This just means that we won’t be actively applying for the license until that time. We are guaranteed a minimum of 7 games at the event. We will be having a conference call with 50/50 Central and Ashley at some point. Our volunteers should have police checks and Ashley will spearhead this.
 7. Action – Ian will network with the Nighthawks and Cougars re: the potential of running 50/50 draws at Cougar games.
 8. Ian – Bantam A asked for clarification re: reimbursement for some of the costs associated with them printing lottery tickets etc. prior to us getting our lottery license. Action - Ian will ask them to submit their financial report for their losses and it will be discussed at the next meeting.
 9. Ian – Cost re: clinics. One coach submitted a receipt for a coach course from 2015 and an upgrade for 2016. We will reimburse the standard 50%.
 10. Ryan – Head North video media has been posted. Ryan supports ESSO Fun Days. They reimburse costs to a max of \$400, too. Scholarship – We have \$100 allocated for a scholarship. Ryan will post to get applications. Lynne Marie suggested we use Scotiabank for sponsorship of scholarship next year. Greg has someone else in mind, too, for this year. Action – Greg will try to secure funds for this/these scholarship(s). He will network with Ryan.
 11. Ryan – Needs information to post about the tryouts. PTS forms will be available on the first tryout day.
 12. Jen – Jen expressed concern re: referee availability for games in Bewdley next season, if we decide to utilize ice there. She wanted to make sure everyone involved is aware it is very difficult to get referees to go there, particularly if it’s only for 1 or 2

- games.
13. Ron – Atom BB – Coach appealed and there’s a meeting on March 20 at the OWHA office. The fine was paid. We will discuss where to put this money at a future meeting.
 14. Ron – PW C – Conflict with some parents & coach. Ron and Toad met with them and then with team. Hopefully, the situation has been rectified.
 15. Ron – If there is no novice team, the novices can try out for the atom team. Greg pointed out that our policies say they have to be in the top 5 and a max of 2 players can be selected. Action – Veronica will let Bob Sheehy know about this policy.
 16. Action – Ryan will post a reminder on the website for the deadline for AGM executive nominations and amendments & Jason will send out a mass email.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: Curtis

Seconded by: Barb

Carried

Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 11, 2017 at 7 pm (CCC)