



Belle River District Minor Hockey Association

Board Meeting Minutes March 10, 2015

Atlas Tube Center, Belle River, Ontario

In attendance: Mark Bateman, Mike Kraynack, Jerry Lee, Dave Tremblay, John Marchand, Lisa VanSickle, Alex Dominato, Laura Lane, Daryll Smith, Andrew Bially, Marco Levesque, Elaine Nocent, Rob Dembinski, Kevin Beuglet

Absent: Paul Gray, Andrew Finlay

Meeting Chair: Mike Kraynack

Recorder: Laura Lane

Meeting called to order at by Mike Kraynack at 7:00pm.

Director Reports

Equipment – Andrew Bially:

- All sponsorship plaques are made and will be distributed next meeting.
- All day of champs medals are ready with stickers on the back.
- Travel jerseys are ordered for next year.
- Just a reminder - If I handed you a lock at the last meeting please place it on the mailbox in the downstairs equipment room. If you do not have a mailbox please let me know. If you lost or still need a lock I will bring some extra to the next meeting.

Report accepted by Daryll Smith and seconded by Dave Tremblay

Director Of Travel Scheduling – Mark Bateman:

- Nothing new to report

Registration – John Marchand:

- Revised the Registration message on the website.
- Updated and opened 2015/16 season registration on March 3rd.

Report accepted by Jerry Lee and seconded by Mark Bateman

House League Scheduling – Marco Levesque:

- Nothing new to report this month

Referee In Chief – Dave Tremblay:

- Nothing new to report

Risk Management Officer – Paul Gray:

- Absent

Sponsorship and Communication – Jerry Lee:

- Minor Hockey News – article submitted for March 2015 edition, 25 copies to be sent to BRDMHA.
- 15 of 18 available HL sponsors are committed or reserved for next season. Bantam and Midget Only Divisions are full. Only 3 sponsorship spots open in Peewee.
- For Board approval: **Confirmation that sponsorship for supplies or services totaling \$ 450 will be eligible for sponsor recognition as it was last year.**
- Juvenile house-league advertisement letter approved by Board
- Sponsorship letter on file (previously approved by Board) to be given to Jerry

Report accepted by Kevin Beuglet and seconded by Dave Tremblay

House League Peewee to Juvenile – Dave Tremblay/Jerry Lee:

- Approval to use one page flyer to promote Juvenile HL for registration and promotion purposes. I have tried to make it generic as possible, with the focus on registration by 07/31/2015. Coaches at local high schools have been very supportive and a supply can be provided for them to promote to their Grade 12 students. Additional supplies can be provided to local businesses to help promote our Juvenile HL.
- Peewee to Juvenile plan for 2015-2016. 6 Peewee, 6 Bantam, 6 Midget (1998-2000), minimum 4 Juvenile HL teams as approved at our last meeting. If we are NOT viable for a Juvenile HL, we will still be able to support Midget-Juvenile Division with a minimum of 8 HL teams for next year.
- 2015 Game/Practice Scheduling for next season based upon 2014-2015 48 hours per practice/game ice per team.

- Feedback has been excellent for our 2014 HL tri-colour jerseys. Requirements have been reviewed with Andrew Bially. Plan to order jerseys to have available for 07/31/2015. Once sponsorship is confirmed with payment, sponsor bars will be ordered once registration numbers are confirmed 07/31/2015.

Report accepted by Andrew Bially and seconded by Rob Dembinski

Treasurer – Elaine Nocent :

- Email sent to all travel team managers to submit referee trackers to finalize amounts for year end - still awaiting on 1 team
- Just finalizing year end - will submit final analysis at the end of March - in the meanwhile - financials were completed for last meeting along with audit from last year....we are approximately \$8300 ahead for this year.

Report accepted by Laura Lane and seconded by Dave Tremblay

Parents Club- Lisa VanSickle :

- At House League Day of Champs medals to be handed out on ice
- Laura Lane to book boardroom
- All players get a hot dog – others will need to purchase
- Coach's Banquet will be the same as last year – date confirmed as April 25/15 – Paul Gray to email blast members

Report accepted by Mark Bateman and seconded by Jerry Lee

Coaching Development – Rob Dembinski:

- Coach's wrap up meeting is scheduled for Sunday, March 8th in the board room at 10:00am. The purpose of this meeting was to allow coaches to provide feedback from the past season, and discuss priorities & improvement plans for the 2015-2016 season. I will also provide an update on future coaching clinics & requirements.
- D1 Coach Clinic is scheduled for August 22/23rd weekend in Belle River. Class room and ice time requirement have been sent to Mark Bateman for scheduling with the Town of Lakeshore. Sue Sennett has reserved instructors as well.
- Community Coach and D1 Coach Refresher clinics for 2015 have not been scheduled yet. The OMHA is changing certification requirements for coaches so all clinics other than D1 Coach are on hold. I will be attending the next Blue Water meeting with Kevin to learn about the new requirements for our coaches and will report out on this as soon as possible.

- Supporting the Player Development Committee with checking clinic registration & planning for players entering Bantam Minor (2002s). Clinic is now full with 60 players.

Report accepted by Elaine Nocent and seconded by Laura Lane

Tournaments- Andrew Finlay:

- No report submitted - absent

Player Development – Daryll Smith:

- Nothing new to report

Director of Travel - Kevin Beuglet:

- Blue-Water Day of Champs is scheduled and is on website – April 4/15
- Laura Lane to book boardroom
- Tryout schedule is posted as well – Kevin confirmed with Andrew Bially that bibs, pucks and water bottles are ready to go.

Report accepted by Andrew Bially and seconded by Lisa VanSickle

New Business

Board Elections:

President: Mark Bateman, Laura Lane, Paul Gray and Daryll Smith nominated for position. Mark and Laura declined nomination – Paul and Daryll accepted. Vote by Board Members – majority to Paul Gray who accepted position.

Travel Director: Kevin Beuglet nominated and accepted. Unanimous by board

Treasurer: Alex Dominato nominated and accepted. Unanimous by board

Amalgamation:

Presentation was given by TSMHA on amalgamation opportunities. They are very interested in amalgamating with BRDMHA. Board decision was to create sub-committee to investigate interest and appropriateness.

Changes to Constitution:

- Proposed changes reviewed and accepted by members include the following:
 1. Submitted by John Marchand: Section 11.7 (K) Responsibilities of Directors – Director of Registration: **TO ADD - Update the online registration system with payments made outside the online system.**
 2. Submitted by Elaine Nocent: Section 6.5 Membership Fees: **TO ADD - Request for refunds that are approved will be completed on pro-rated basis and there will be no refunds granted past December 1st. Deadline to pay registration for the new hockey season are to be completed prior to date as approved by Board to grant time for the appropriate directors to organize teams for the beginning of the hockey season. Failure to pay registration fees prior to the registration deadline will result in the child to be added on a wait list. The child will not be allowed to join a team until registration is paid in full and clearance granted for spot on a team. Family discounts are for families with 3 or more children registered with Belle River District Minor Hockey Association; submission via form only to be completed in January with deadline of February 15th annually. If registration was paid by Lakeshore Assistance Program, the family does not qualify for family discount.**
 3. Section 6.8 Membership: **TO ADD – BRDMHA reserves the right to refuse membership application.**
 4. Submitted by Elaine Nocent: Section 9.2 Board Positions: **TO ADD - To ensure continuity within the organization, the President's, Travel Director's and Treasurer's position shall be filled according to the following protocol: (i) Candidates shall have served on the Executive Board for the last one (1) year;**

5. Submitted by Elaine Nocent: Section 11.7 (B) Responsibilities of Directors – Treasurer: TO CHANGE - (iii) Ensure registration payments are collected in conjunction with the Director of Registration; follows up on any cheques returned due to insufficient funds; works with auxiliary as to their accounting; TO **(iii) ensure registration payments are collected in conjunction with Director of Registration, unpaid fees prior to beginning of season to be addressed to directors arranging teams to follow through with by-law #6.5 Membership Fees.** AND TO ADD – **follow up on any cheques returned due to insufficient funds and to assist travel director with guidance of team managers for travel teams with their responsibilities and roles as team manager.**

6. Submitted by Elaine Nocent - Section 5: Uniforms - Currently reads - A Jersey Retainer Fee in the amount of \$200.00 post-dated May 1st will be collected by each team manager every year and given to the Equipment Director. Upon return of the jerseys at the end of the season, these retainer cheques will be returned to the team manager and either destroyed or returned to each player. **Proposed change to:** A Jersey Retainer Fee in the amount of \$200.00 post-dated May 1st will be collected by each team manager every year and given to the Equipment Director by **August 1st**. Upon return of the jerseys at the end of the season, these retainer cheques will be returned to the team manager and either destroyed or returned to each player.

7. Submitted by Laura Lane section 6.2 Membership Year – reads “shall commence on or after June 1 in each year” CHANGE TO – “shall commence after the AGM in each year:

- Travel Operations so not need membership approval and will be added/changed per Travel Director

