



Belle River District Minor Hockey Association
Board Meeting Minutes March 26, 2019 Atlas
Tube Center, Belle River, Ontario

In Attendance: Rob Bodchon, John Marchand, Jennifer Lafeber, Paul Gray, Darren Crowley, Marco Levesque, Rob Dembinski, Alex Dominato, Frank Hamelin, Lisa VanSickle, Rob Halvorsen

Absent: Mark Bateman, Rich Burford, Taylor VanSickle, Ken Poisson, Jamie Fick, Peter Thomson, Jay Menard,

Meeting Chair: Paul Gray

Recorder: Jennifer Lafeber

Meeting called to order by Paul Gray at 6:40pm.

Director Reports

Equipment – Rob Halvorsen:

- No Report

Director of Travel Scheduling – Mark Bateman:

- No Report

Registration – John Marchand:

- New registration dates added to the website
- Registration to open April 1st

Report accepted by Rob Bochon and seconded by Marco Levesque

Risk Management Officer – Rob Bodchon:

- No Report

Referee in Chief –Rich Burford:

- H/L Day of Champs went well as we kept our officials and timekeepers busy last Saturday. This Saturday we are hosting Bluewater Championships so some of our timekeepers will be working games

Sponsorship and Communication – Ken Poisson:

- **No Report**

Treasurer – Alex Dominato:

- The finance committee met last week to discuss the budget for 2019/2020 season and how the numbers are going to affect our registration costs and travel fees. We discussed several options. Two being: 1) Registration increases to \$650 and Travel Fees increase to \$900 or 2) Registration increases to \$675 and Travel Fees to \$850. I am okay with either option, but I know some of the finance committee mentioned that an increase of \$100 in a one-year time period a lot for travel fees. I also agree that we need to have set talking points for all board members to discuss when our membership questions the increases. First and foremost, our registration fee of \$600 has remained the same for the past 5 hockey seasons (since we moved into ATC) with an annual ice increase. Ice as of April 1/2019 will increase from \$207.90 to \$213 for primetime.
- The income sheet provided is for the 2018/2019 season from May 1-Dec 31. At the April AGM the sheet will be updated to show more current totals.
 - BRDMHA largest expenses:
 - Ice (to date: \$462,980.04)
 - Insurance
 - Referees/Time Keepers
 - Note: when looking at the clinic totals please consider the revenue we make as well
 - Unknown/Misc. includes 50th Anniversary expenses (this will be moved by the April AGM), 10k donation to the Town of Lakeshore (last instalment), Administration Assistant payment, kick-off expenses, picture day expenses, etc.
- Our last seasons financials will be ready for review at this year's AGM.
- Worked with Jamie of the Montreal Game. Lots of great reviews. We are scheduled to meet this week to work out the numbers and produce a financial statement. Looking to make approx. \$6000. Jamie will report more. Great work Jamie!
- All referee payments for February have been sent. Will send out March payments once received. Password will be March19
- **Peter** - First shift reimbursement was received last week.
- **Paul** - Waiting on mail correspondence for the associations Articles of Incorporation.
- Were you able to find the scanned receipts to email to Terry for reimbursement from the water damage in the office? Just waiting to go ahead and order the table to replace the one desk.
- **Lisa** - For the 50/50 report from the Canadiens game, I have deposited all money in to a separate account. I will use the money to pay an invoice from the event. Who is doing the report? You, Me, or Jamie?

- Jenn and I are working on a tryout desk schedule. Most of the tryouts are having two pads going 15 minutes apart, we are planning on two desks (either Jenn, myself or Laura) and the head coaches are needed to sit at the desk with us, to ensure the return of all jerseys and to write their own sheets. Photo copies will be available. Tryout passport is to remain at \$60. We will be doing the check in via the computer again.
- Working with all travel managers to reconcile and close out bank accounts ASAP. Overall 2018/2019 season went smooth, except for one team's manager. All is in order as of last week. Email I sent out included year-end information, equipment and jersey questions and coaches banquet invite from Lisa.
- I have the intention of returning next season as Treasurer. If someone is interested in eventually taking over the position send them my way ASAP as they should work, one season with me to learn the ins and outs.

Report accepted by John Marchand and seconded by Rob Dembinski

Parents Club- Lisa VanSickle:

- Day of Champs went very well
- Meeting for Banquet underway – reminder to be sent out to all parties for confirmation of attendance
- Lottery accounts still ongoing – teams need to complete raffles to close out accounts

Report accepted by Alex Dominato and seconded by Rob Bodchon

Coaching Development – Rob Dembinski:

- D1 Coach Clinic in Belle River will now be held on September 28-29 at the ATC. Renaud room booked as well as the ice time.
- Coach Level 1 & 2 will be held this year in Essex on August 24-25.
- D1 Field Evaluations and Certifications were completed for two additional Belle River coaches in February/March

Report accepted by Darren Crowley and seconded by Frank Hamelin

Tournaments – Darren Crowley:

- Tournament financials to be submitted prior to AGM meeting in April
- Reimbursements still being sent in

Motion: To introduce a second tournament that is to be run the second weekend of January – for the Novice Major Transitional division

Motion seconded by John Marchand and carried unanimously.

Report accepted by Rob Dembinski and seconded by John Marchand

Player Development – Peter Thomson:

- End of season was a success. Day of Champs went well. A few bumps with placing of A and B championship games with Novice but with the help of Paul and Rob D we resolved the issues.
- We certainly didn't make everyone happy this year but we also have had a lot of people thank us for the hard work, effort and the great job we have done this year. Going forward we need to look at the complaints and do what we can to eliminate them (undoubtedly not completely) and build on the compliments and what we did well.
- First Shift has been applied for and we should hear if we have been awarded that honour again.

House League Atom to Juvenile – Frank Hamelin:

- DOC champs went great, most games were close.
- Some banners were misspelled, waiting on coaches to give me feedback.
- Player gradings are starting to trickle in.
- Some coaches have already agreed to coach again next season.
- I will update the final scores this evening when I am at the arena.

Report accepted by John Marchand and seconded by Marco Levesque

Director of Travel – Marco Levesque:

Permission to Skates

- Permission to Skate requests were opened online on March 15th, and thus far all is processing well.
- Laura Lane continues to help, with the help of Rob Bodchon this year.
- Deadline is April 7th, and pickup dates are Wednesday April 10th (6-8pm) and Saturday April 13th (10am-12pm)
- Bluewater DOC this Saturday – all volunteers are welcome
- Any objections to teams wearing the 50th anniversary jersey during DOC

Coach Selections

- Would like to thank the selection committee that assisted me this year: Rob Bodchon; Rob Dembinski; Kevin Beuglet; Jamie Fick and Duane Mongeau
- All interviews were completed last Thursday
- The following are the candidates selected and therefore proposed for our Travel Teams this year:
 - Atom Minor (2010): JP Trepanier
 - Atom Major (2009): Jamie Scott
 - Pee wee Minor (2008): Daryll Smith
 - Pee wee Major (2007): Scott Chittle

- Bantam Minor (2006): Glenn Bersuk/Parker Boyle
- Bantam Major (2005): Paul Eddy - Good
- Midget Minor (2004): Michael Dominato
- Novice Majors – April 2nd Meeting
- Midget Major – TBD

Report accepted by Rob Bodchon and seconded by Rob Halvorsen

Director at Large– Jamie Fick:

- **No Report**

New Business - Paul Gray:

- Any Notice of Motions for changes to our Constitutions and Bylaws need to be submitted one week prior (April 9th, 2019) to secretary@brdmha.com
- Board Positions up for Election
 - President*
 - Treasurer*
 - Travel Director*
 - Director of Player Development (one-year term)
 - Director of House League (Atom through Midget)
 - Director of Tournaments
 - Equipment Manager
 - Parent’s Club
 - Sponsorship and Communication
 - Director of Registration (intern)
- To ensure continuity within the organization, the President, Travel Director and Treasurer’s positions shall be filled according to the current Constitution.
- Strike status, sitting with Union on Friday for possible resolution.
- We have lost floods due to strike, how is the Town compensating BRDMHA for lost time?

Motion to approve the 2019/2020 Proposed budget increase from \$600 to \$675 and travel fees from \$800 to \$850.00

Motion seconded by Marco Levesque and carried unanimously.

Report accepted by Rob Bodchon and seconded by Darren Crowley

Meeting adjourned 9:29 pm

Paul Gray, President

Approval Date

Next meeting – April 16, 2018 at 6:30pm

