

February 2, 2010 MDMHA Executive Meeting Minutes, 7pm Millbrook Arena

Those present: Maggie Benson, Lynda Mallon, Jenn Puk, Lori Pigeau, Scott McFadden, Randy AuCoin, Melisande Neal Late: Andy Horner, Derek Baker
Regrets: Nancy McKie, Ken Thomas, Roland Greber, Jill Szilagyi, Julie Hartwick, Scott Vanscyndel

1. Approval of Agenda: It was moved, seconded and carried that the agenda be accepted as circulated. (Puk, Benson)
2. Approval of Previous Minutes: It was moved, seconded and carried that the minutes of January 12, 2010 be accepted as circulated. (Puk, Benson)
3. Financial Report: It was moved, seconded and carried that the financial report for the period from June 1, 2009 to January 31, 2010 be accepted as circulated. (Pigeau, Benson) More information must be researched in regard to the HST and charitable status. MDMHA is a non-profit organization and is not a charity at this time.
4. Convener's Reports:
 - 4.1 OMHA Contact Convener: Jenn reported that OMHA has decided to close, (for now) the idea of making AA like AAA and drawing players from anywhere. The Novice Rep and the Atom AE teams are out of the playoffs. The Atom Rep team is heading to the quarter finals. The Midgets are also advancing as they are undefeated in their regular season. The OMHA will be sending a rebate cheque to adjust for insurance payments. (registration reconciliation)
 - 4.2 Skills Development Program Convener: Scott reported that attendance has been down, especially the peewee/bantam level and volunteer help too. He believes that next year we will have a lot of kids (and parent volunteers) moving up that will add numbers.
 - 4.3 Registrar: Lori reported that she may have to withdraw a couple of kids from the ice until fee balances are paid.
 - 4.4 Public Relations Convener: Derek suggested that a team manager booklet be put together to help new managers, like the coach handbook. Derek also is asking the Lions about the possibility of booking meetings there. He will be working in collaboration with the webmaster on ideas and implementation of the "positive spot". It was decided that the annual banquet will be held at the Golden Wheel again.
5. Business Arising:
 - 5.1 Home Bench Wall: Randy will continue to follow this, as the township has not yet decided what to do: either to tear down the wall or to put in a door/gate.
 - 5.2 Trophy Case: MDMHA is very grateful to Tracy Vousden-Welch for re-arranging the MDMHA trophy case. Some outdated items are to be stored and/or re-used. Some of the items found in the case were thought to be missing, but quite a few team photos are still missing from the time that they were taken down from the bulkhead in the arena for painting. These still need to be located.
 - 5.3 Calendars: It was decided that if calendars are to be sold next year that we should have a volunteer handle the sales. We still have a few left over and will give them away. We will make a small profit anyway.
 - 5.4 Tournament Convener: Maggie reported that there are only three confirmed teams for the Novice tournament, March 6, and only one for the Myte side. It was moved, seconded and carried that the Myte/Novice tournament be cancelled. (Puk, Pigeau) This will be put on the website and the fact that the Bantam tournament is now full.

5.5 Parent VS Coach Game: Glen Hunter let us know that the response for this game is so great that he is scheduling in a second game but he still needs parent players. This is a fundraiser for MDMHA and the executive is grateful to Glen for doing this.

6. New Business:

6.1 Atom AE Team: It was moved, seconded and carried that MDMHA will cover the Atom AE Team for one exhibition game per week till the end of the season, February 28th, due to the special circumstances of having their season ended because there is no loop for them to play in. (Puk, McFadden) There will not be additional expense to MDMHA to do this and a gate will be charged and refs will be covered as in regular games.

6.2 Subcommittee at Township: Scott reported that Township council is appointing six volunteer members of the community and two staff to a working subcommittee for a new community centre. There is an application process.

6.3 Team Fundraising: The executive was reminded of Schedule F and the Constitution that requires teams to come to the Fundraising Convener for permission to run any fundraising projects and to hand in financial reports at season end. Because we do not have a Fundraising Convener at the moment, then teams would come to the Executive as a whole. It was agreed that MDMHA will rewrite Schedule F to clarify and outline acceptable fundraisers.

7. Annual General Meeting: Mel will wordsmith the motions for constitution revisions for the next executive meeting March 2. Changes that have been tracked already are: changing the referee-in-chief to a non-voting member on the executive; discussion about door passes and off ice fighting and Schedule F. The positions that will be up for election in March, based on the year being even are the: vice chair, secretary, treasurer, registrar, tournament convener, team officials convener, public relations convener and the hockey skills development convener. The terms will be for a two year period.

7. Adjournment and Next Meeting: Randy adjourned the meeting at 9:20pm. The next meeting is scheduled for March 2, at 7pm at the arena. The AGM is scheduled for March 23 at 7pm at the arena.

Note: please go over the Constitution and the Schedules so you can make suggestions. Be mindful of your own job descriptions and see if they are accurate.