July 10 2014

DMH board Meeting

7:00pm

In attendance: Gwen C, Leslie R, Deb G, Tracey J, Jeff S, Becky C, Bev C, Glenda H

Gwen called the meeting to order at 7:06pm. Gwen asked if there were any additions. Gwen added vacant positions. Jeff S adopted the agenda.

Last meetings minutes were presented and adopted as circulated. Bev 2nd.

Leslie read the treasurer's report. The casino account has \$2074.90, all parade decorations will be kept for next year. No hockey registration cheques have been deposited as of yet, they will be deposited tomorrow. Leslie adopted her report at read. Tracey 2nd.

Gwen presented her president's report. Nothing to report.

Ag society report-Tanya the Ag rep was not at our meeting.

Arena Manager's report-no one is holding the position at the moment.

Merchandise Report-a few people are talking about working together

Media report- Heather has taken over the fb page and after hockey has started Heather will take over the website

Team numbers (rough)-dynamite 13

Novice-14

Atom-17

Peewee-9 (1 has AAA tryout form signed)

Bantam-9 (2 have AAA tryout forms signed)

Midgets-9 (1 has a AAA tryout form signed)

Delburne is hoping to work with Red Deer again to increase our player numbers (will not know about RD until August), and there is a chance that some players may move up to play with older kids (from atom into peewee)-maybe, no guarantee, this is just a possibility. We do not want to leave the 1st years hurting if we move older players up to other teams. A discussion occurred over what players the board anticipated as registering that haven't yet, just to see what our numbers may be like for teams. Gwen is going to call around to see if some past players will be playing. Clive may be able to work with Delburne as well.

Old Business

- a.) Hockey training equipment -nothing has changed
- b.) Fundraising-Gwen wrote a letter to the Oilers' to work a 50/50 and DMH will know by August 10 to see if we will have a 50/50 to work there. Oilers' will cover our bus load to go up there. We would make a minimum of \$6000.00 we will need 50-60 volunteers. Sandy was looking onto raffle changes and possibly working a Rebels' 50/50-no news as of yet. Some people have voiced their concerns that they would like to see the square board gone. Some feel that the draw table at Snow Flake Saturday/Hockey Day in Delburne would be more profitable and less hassle. The draw table brought in \$3370 (draws/silent auctions/etc.) The square board made about \$3250. We did not make very much money working the AA tournament last year. We did not even make \$500 for working 3 days. A discussion about fundraising options occurred. One notable idea that was presented was that the DMH has one letter handed out to every family at the 1st general meeting (for those not at meeting managers are to give to families) the expectations for every player's financial responsibilities such as fees and fundraising. Gwen will begin writing the letter and bring it back to the board. Becky will look into contacting airlines for travel vouchers for raffles valued at \$2000.00. We will not do a square board for hockey day in Delburne, but we will be doing a draw table/player board and silent auction-every team will be required to donate a minimum of \$100 to help the table (teams can use their tournament to pay for this).
- c.) Rescheduling of team tournament dates- will be tabled to next meeting-come with your calendars.
- d.) Socks-Tracey brought socks that the RD Chiefs wore. Those socks would be \$46. Bower has some socks that are about \$20. DMH spent \$11 for the smaller players and the older players were paying about \$20 but the socks were not lasting so we need to do something so our socks will last longer than a game. Tracey will look into some affordable socks that are of comparable make to the Chiefs socks but at a better price.
- e.) Sutter fund- Sutter fund is paying for atom and peewee jerseys. This is almost a \$10,000 savings for our association. A DMH thank you to Sutter Fund needs to happen. Gwen mentioned that a card to send to their office and a glass sign made by Kathy. Jeff S made a motion that DMH will send a thank you card to the Sutter Fund office and have a glass panel sign made to hang in the arena-a yearly fee to hang it in the arena will be charged. Becky will call and order the sign from Kathy Ivey. Tracey J 2nd the motion.
- f.) Registrations-the handed out forms were not current, they were from 2 seasons ago. Leslie has been receiving 3 different types of forms. The issue is that every year we have a 5% increase to cover increased ice cost and other fees. As our board do we let everyone get a great deal or do we ask everyone to pay more as there was a big paperwork issue. Some at the meeting voiced that their personal opinion was to eat the loss this year. As a board for DMH we have collectively acknowledged that there was an error in pricing due to a previous form being posted. The board is leaving the registration costs as posted earlier this year and absorbing the cost. But there will be an increase next year with registration.

New Business

- a.) Player Releases-We have a few players (Ethan S, Cole M, Dawson B, Bryson M) have tryout forms signed. One midget asked to be released for a B league and Gwen denied.
- b.) Vacant positions-Merchandise position may be filled (split by two people-Mel and Tracy). We need a new Referee in Chief as Gwen is now president. The clinic is booked for new refs (1st

Saturday in October-responsibly is to book refs for home games and mentor other refs/monitoring ref pay)-will be discussed in Aug meeting.

Side notes

- 1.) No concrete coaches for our teams as of today
- 2.) We need to have more heads up on 1st practice week of October 6 may be the 1st practices-Gwen is going to work about practice times.
- 3.) Steve Jamieson would like to thank all that helped with the float-DMH won 1st.

Next Meeting Date will be August 7 2014 at the arena at 7pm.

Gwen adjourned the meeting at 8:35pm.