



**Devon Minor Hockey Association  
Meeting Minutes**

**Date:** December 6, 2017  
**Called to Order:** 6:30 pm  
**Minutes Taken By:** Crystal Reimer

**In attendance:** Jonathan Morton, Kathy Morton, Wayne Wolfe, Crystal Reimer, Steven Kuchirka, Rachelle Morgado, Chris Simonson, Chris Higdon, Darcy Skinner, Cole Matwichuk, Brandy Fisher, Di Rushfeldt

**Item 1: Motion to approve the December 6, 2017 Agenda**

Motion made to approve December 6, 2017 agenda by Jonathan Morton,  
Seconded by Steven Kuchirka  
All in favour

**Item 2: Review & Approve the November 8, 2017 Minutes**

Motion made to approve November 8, 2017 amended minutes made by Wayne Wolfe  
Seconded by Rachelle Morgado  
All in favour

**Item 3: New Business Arising from Minutes**

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**Item 4.1 President Report**

- a. Damien Rachinski shadow box - follow up from last meeting – the shadow box will be presented at the midget tournament. Chris Higdon will be the presenter at the DMHA 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration at the midget tournament.
- b. Ref shadow incentive program rule and regulation – Ref rules and regulation are available on the North Zone website. A Suggestion was made to add a Ref page on the DMHA website, the website coordinator added North Zone link to the Links page on DMHA website.

Parents are complaining about how few shadow training session there are to in order to complete the new refs training. DMHA will follow up with Ron Oscroft to see if he can help find the new refs some games to aid in speeding up their training requirements. Currently it's the same few senior refs completing shadows. New refs can inquiry with other associations for additional reefing opportunities. Parents have provided good feedback regarding senior ref training.

#### **Item 4.2 Vice President**

Steven Kuchirka –

- a. Collecting criminal records checks (CRC) and vulnerable sector checks (VSC) from all team officials, an email went out to reminding team volunteers to complete.
- b. Ref training process/rules/regulations update – North Zone recommended novice for shadows, however there is no formal rule that ref training only occur during novice league games.

#### **Item 4.3: Past President**

Chris Higdon –

- Preparing for midget tournament presentation.
- Getting speech from midget level coordinator.
- Dale Fisher will also be speaking at the midget tournament.

#### **Item 4.4: Treasurer**

Melissa – absent

#### **Item 4.5: Secretary**

Crystal Reimer

Website information updates:

- Permit information on website update? Crystal will send revision to website coordinator. Jonathan approved Permit page updates
- Followed up on 1660 update to Interlock on the website
- Asked if DMHA supplies the key safety pieces of goalie equipment to novice level teams to create an opportunity for all kids wishing to try goalie (i.e. 3 to 10 kids per team usually like to try at least once)? Can we supply the novice level a neck guard/shield that attaches to the player helmet (not goalie helmet) to ensure new coaches, volunteers and new parents can dress new novice players with the key pieces of goalie equipment to ensure the kids are safe when getting pucks shot at them? There were not enough voting members for quorum at the time of this discussion so the secretary was asked to postpone the vote and ask again at the next meeting for a vote.

#### **Item 4.6: Coach Director**

Travis Shaw – absent

#### **Item 4.7: Registrar**

Rachelle Morgado – Respect in sport for parents and coaches is updated – one parent outstanding

- Peewee child would like register inquiry pro rate, charge full price? A pro-rated rate was approved.
- All team wishing to participate in 2017-18 provincials where approve in time  
Teams registered for provincials 2017-18:
  - Atom 1 and 2
  - Peewee 1 and 2
  - Bantam 1
  - Midget 1

#### **Item 4.8: Ref in Chief**

Cole Matwichuk –

- a. Ref certification update – going steadily as expected with 14 + 2 more new refs

- At the Bantam tournament a boy broke his leg and the ref call the game after consultation with the level coordinator. The game was called in the 3 period 4 min left, by the time they took the young man off the ice. The players, coaches and fans emotions were high. Ref handled the serious situation well. DMHA safety and emergencies protocol was actioned and EMT arrived within 3 to 4 minutes. A suggestion for an emergency policy regarding what door to use in case of future emergency was discussed. Discussion around the zamboni exit has been used in the past; however, the EMT responders will always choose the easy and safest root. Tournament teams from other associations have been inquiring about how the player from Stony Plan is doing.
- Cole has requested a one hour ice time to get the new refs in a ref clinic hosted by Cole.

**Item 4.9: Level Director**

Steve Benson – absent

**Item 4.10: Fundraising Director**

Chelsey Long – absent

DMHA 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary banner has been hung in the arena

**Item 4.11: Governor**

Drew Hiltz – absent

All TBA games have to get booked as soon as possible; ice coordinator can only give ice for TBA when there is ice. She is working on getting the teams which are registered in provincials their TBAs scheduled first. The TBAs have to be scheduled by Feb 28.

**Item 4.12: Ice Coordinator**

Kathy Morton –

Needs to know when all the teams are scheduled for away tournaments.

Crystal will send an email to the team managers requesting they inform the ice coordinator of their respective away tournaments.

**Item 4.13: Referee Assignor**

Two new refs have been added, there are now 16 total new refs

**Item 4.14: Equipment Manager**

Crystal Bernard – absent

**Item 4.15: Website Coordinator –**

Chris Simonson –

- Made changes for 1660 to Interlock
- Will update permit page after he receives the revision
- Need 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary Devon Dispatch advertisement to post on website
- The IP coordinator will send the website coordinator an announcement for a Hockey Alberta child development presentation for Jan 10, 2018, at 6:30 pm at the Lions Camp Ground - Chalet.

**Item 4.16: Evaluations Coordinator**

Darcy Skinner – schedule lessons learned/feedback exit meeting with the committee and Ron Oscroft for the new year 2018.

**Item 4.17: Level Coordinator – IP**

Di Rushfeldt

- Tournament entry for the three initiation teams are going well
- Long term player development information session with Hockey Alberta is scheduled for Jan 10, 6:30 to 7:30, with Mike McGinnis – Crystal will coordinate booking the Chalet at the Lions Camp ground
- Team snap reimbursement – initiation
- Santa costume, December 16 and 17<sup>th</sup> the IP coordinator requested the suite. Kathy Morton will reach out to a volunteer to be Santa.

**Item 4.18: Level Coordinator – Novice**

Kristi Baron and Angelina Ritter – Absent

**Item 4.19: Level Coordinator – Atom**

Rob Melnychuk and Shawn Bartoshewski - Absent

**Item 4.20: Level Coordinator – Peewee**

Tina Genge and Danine Regenwetter – Absent

**Item 4.21: Level Coordinator – Bantam**

Wayne Wolfe – tournament went well \$1,000 for each team. However, the Friday night Devon game didn't seem to draw in a larger crowd that was expected. Figure skating complained to the arena staff regarding the tournaments hockey players watching, the arena staff resolved it. In addition, the level coordinator needed to sit in the stands to help calm the parents in the stands down during a game. It worked well.

**Item 4.22: Level Coordinator – Midget**

Shan Tebb – absent The DMHA 50<sup>th</sup> celebration notice that was used for the Devon Dispatch needs to be forwarded to the website coordinator to add to the DMHA website.

**Item 4.23: Regional AA Representative**

Darcy Skinner – done

**Item 5.1: Closing Discussion**

**Item 5.2: Date of the Next Meeting**

January 8, 2017 6:30 pm

**Meeting Adjourned:** 8:00 pm