

Viking Minor Hockey Executive Meeting – November 23, 2016

Meeting called to order at 7:05pm by vice president Shaun Hill in the Carena meeting room.

Attending: Kimberly Girczyc-Secretary, Charla McClements-Atom parent, Shaun Hill-vice President, Tracy Roeleveld-Treasurer, Trudy Josephson-Midget Boys parent, Debbie Snider-Bantam Director, Lindsay Klein-Novice Director, Alanna Hanson-Novice parent, Mike Paterson-Bantam Girls Director, Marilyn Koch-Bantam parent, Lindsay Sullivan-Atom Director, Jaime Crawford-Initiation parent, Tiffany Tomlinson-Initiation Director, Joleen Hoffman-PeeWee Director, Allen Anderson-Midget Boys Director, Lindsay Quinton-Registrar, Randy Arndt-President

Shaun presented agenda. No errors, omissions, or additions. Shaun moved to adopt the agenda as presented. Tracy second it. All in favor, carried.

Minutes: Minutes reviewed as previously circulated. Kimberly moved that the minutes be adopted as presented. Tracy second it. All in favor, carried.

Financial Report: Tracy noted that ice fees are approximately \$12,500 thus far for the season, she will pay same out of the appropriate bank account. Expenses to date \$14,472.71. Tracy moved that the treasurers' report be adopted a read. Lindsay Klein second it. All in favor, carried.

Correspondence: Trudy Josephson made a presentation on behalf of the Josephson family. The Josephson family would like to make a memorial donation on behalf of Len Josephson for approximately \$1700 to Viking Minor Hockey. Trudy suggested that with the memorial donation Viking Minor Hockey could sponsor a bench in the Carena lobby for approximately \$1200. The Josephson family is open to alternate options for use of the memorial donation. Suggestions to be made by the December meeting and a decision will be made at that time.

Randy spoke on issues relating to the league schedules and tiering for the older teams. Currently no schedules are out yet. Conference call with the leagues occurring tonight and Randy hopeful that the leagues will continue to work together and come up with a suitable schedule.

Reports of Committees:

Midget Girls-Gord Ruzicka not present

Midget Boys-No major injuries so far. Kids enjoying the year. One player currently registered on the team may drop out.

Bantam Boys-"Still losing games"

Bantam Girls-Team doing well, no losses in league play so far.

PeeWee-It is going well for the goalie playing out of Irma. PeeWee girls are doing lots of off-ice training. Close games. The team is attending the Hayley Wickenheiser tournament in Calgary this weekend.

Atoms-Will host a one-day tournament on December 3, 2016. Team will need an extra coach due to 2 current assistant coaches working the same weekends.

Novice-Attended BRK tournament

Initiation-Season going well. No consistency with ice/net size for games - some games ¾ ice with mini nets, others ¾ ice with full size nets, and others full ice. Hosting tournament February 11, 2017, currently full with 6 teams registered. Increased tournament fee by \$50. Still looking into attending jamboree or Big League Experience at Rogers Place.

Registrar: Lindsay Quinton-Nothing to report

Referee Manager: Debbie Snider-Due to a decreased number of games Peter has requested for his second cheque (final payment) to be reduced from \$1500 to \$1000 which is to be paid March 31, 2017. First cheque issued in October was for \$1500. Peter inquiring if Novice tournament can be held in November in future years to give new referees the opportunity to practice their skills early in the season. Peter is currently working with the new referees. Will need to give reimbursements to the players who attended the referee course and plan to referee. Currently all 5 who attended plan to referee. Peter sends Debbie and Murray a list of who is going to ref each game, discussed that it may be helpful for the team managers to also know who is going to be reffing.

50/50 License/Casino: Report given by Allen Anderson. Nancy is in the process of contacting and confirming with people who signed up for the Oilers 50/50. Currently still need about 5 people to volunteer for the Oilers 50/50. Completed booklets for the cash raffle can be handed in to Nancy at anytime. Deadline for handing booklets in is December 21, 2016.

Equipment: Will be ordering a new puck catcher as current one is broken. Looking at ordering individual jerseys at \$65/jersey with a minimum order of 12 from Battle River Sport in Camrose. A few Bantam Boys jerseys have Gatorade stains from this year, a letter is to be sent to the players reminding them of policy. There are a few old jerseys hanging in the locker room. Joleen is trying to be diligent in keeping track of who has keys to the locker rooms. There are some retro jerseys, plan on keeping them and possibly framing/hanging them in Carena. The Town of Viking found banners from the old Carena, unsure if there is fire damage to them. Joleen will look into getting some small knit socks for the initiation players.

Sponsorship: Lindsay Klein is in the process of writing sponsorship request letters. Randy is working with the Town of Viking for where to put signage to acknowledge sponsors.

Player/Coach Development: Allen reported that overall there has been positive feedback regarding Tim Green providing skills development.

Website/Scheduling: If Murray is given a list of referees for the weekend by Thursday this will allow him time to get the information on the Viking Minor Hockey website prior to the weekend.

Discipline: Nothing to report

Evaluation: Nothing to report

Hockey Day Weekend Organizing Committee: Date changed to February 11, 2017 to coincide with initiation tournament. Possibility of Midget Boys or Girls hosting home game that evening as well.

Non-executive members dismissed at 8:45pm.

New Business:

Directors are to remind their coaches re: criminal record checks to be completed.

Fundraising/Tournament - Discussion regarding VMH encouraging all teams, with the exception of Midgets, to host a tournament as it helps VMH to be seen as a respectable organization as well as it is beneficial for the Town of Viking. Bantam Boys are raffling a liquor/cash basket. VMH put in \$600. The team will use the funds for tournament fees and the rest of the dollars will go to the VMH.

Budget – Tracy to look into having a formalized budget implemented for VMH. May have separate meeting to discuss budget more in depth.

Power Skating – Allen noted that it was never the intention for VMH to foot the bill for power skating/skills development long-term. The previous VMH board chose to provide power skating to all players as a one-year trial in order to use some funds from the Danny Hooper fundraiser. VMH is currently in the second year of paying majority of power skating as now using different instructor.

Tracy made a motion to table further financial discussions until next meeting when she has more numbers available for the board to look at. Debbie second it. All in favor, carried.

Minor Hockey Logo – No logos were submitted. Lindsay to talk to Vintage Design and Tracy to talk with a local girl regarding possibility of designing a logo for VMH.

Each team is welcome to order apparel wherever they wish.

Next meeting December 21, 2016 at 7pm.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40pm.

