



Executive Meeting – May 1, 2019
Meeting Room A
7:00-8:30 p.m.

Meeting Called to Order

- L. Linton opened the meeting and welcomed everyone. Members introduced themselves.
- L. Linton encouraged members to be kind to one another as we are all volunteers.
- If emailing L. Linton, please copy C.McKichan on all emails.
- To keep meetings running in a timely fashion, director reports were sent out with the agenda prior to the meeting. The secretary will email call for agenda items and request for director reports a week before meetings.

Minutes of Previous Meeting

- Motion to accept: C.Venn & E. Thomson

Director Introduction and Updates

Treasurer

- E. Thomson met with Bookkeeper and a decision needs to be made in regards to QuickBooks. The cheapest option is \$13.00 + tax/per month and requires a credit card. E. Thomson will use her credit card. If updating bank account, something to consider would be to attach a credit card to the account.
- Currently account sitting around \$26,000.00- minus Dorchester ice.
- Motion to approve QuickBooks at \$13.00 + tax/per month: C.Venn, C. Hutton- passed.
- Motion to approve signees on account, L. Linton & E. Thomson: P. Westlaken, K.Garniss- passed. All in favour.

Action Item-E. Thomson will meet with bank to gain information on accounts and bring back to June Meeting

Registrar

- Nothing to report

Action Item - M. Murphy will forward registration spreadsheet to L.Linton & C.McKichan, when received from Janette.

Ice Scheduler

- Ice has now been removed.
- Tryout ice for 14P has been booked, 2 in Stratford, 1 in Dorchester.
- Provincial schedule needs to be submitted by Aug 15th. C. McKichan has requested that coaching availability, power-skating, PEAK be submitted before inputting provincial schedule.
- Once Provincial teams are decided, start look at regional teams as this makes ice scheduling easier.

Parent Rep/Bond/Webmaster

- Nothing to report on parent rep
- Billing contact information has been changed to E. Thomson on Webmaster. A. Martin will give access to board members. If any problems logging in, please connect with A. Martin. Webmaster cannot be accessed on a mobile device.
- P. Westlaken will look into alternative websites



- Parent reps are key for younger age groups, especially if you are new to the sport. It is a great way to pass along information from the board. Some concern around the relaying of information. In older ages, the coach could identify the need for help from more than one parent.
- Bond hours could be assigned on the scoresheet and clock.

Fundraising

- Approximately \$15,000.00 needs to be made each year in fundraisers
- This year breaks down as follows;
 - \$7000.00 from lottery
 - \$3000.00 from wing night
 - \$4000.00 together from both chicken fundraiser
 - Approx. \$1200.00 from cheese fundraiser

Sponsorship

- There are consistent sponsors on a year to year basis, however their donation may not cover the cost of jerseys. Discussion around sponsorship name plates that could be sewn onto the jerseys.
- Gold sponsors are to be on jerseys and all publications.
- Would also like to consider a partnership with the team and their sponsors. I.e. Team volunteering with sponsor to be more involved in the community or inviting sponsors to games.

Promotions

- Just received all information and passwords.
- Suggestions around summer promotion include: Canada Day Parade, Heritage Festival & Gym Ringette

Action Item: C.Graham will put together promotion ideas for the summer and bring to June meeting.

Equipment Manager

- Previous approval to buy a dehumidifier for the Ringette room. Jersey will be stored in totes in the room over the summer.
- C. Venn will email to notify the board when inventory will take place. Will need help with this.
- Need to make sure Open A jerseys have been returned.

Action Item

- C. Venn to look into the cost for a full set of pinnies.
- After inventory – update board as to what goalie equipment is available for U10 & under

Coach & Player Development

- Last year the board did this together. However if anyone is interested this position is still open.
- L.Linton would like to look into more goalie development this year.
- Coaching applications were due April 24th, will make coaching decision later in summer when registration numbers come.

WRRRA

- P. Westlaken and J. Brodhagen to attend.

WRRL

- K. Garniss will attend the first meeting in September.



New Business

U14

- Two coaching applications were received for U14 teams- Ben Aarts, K. Linton
- Intent to host U14 Provincial tryouts was agreed upon the previous board and submitted to WORL. We need to move forward with the previous board's decision, but there is no guarantee SMRA will host a team. The first two tryouts are May 11th & May 23rd. If there is a third skate it be invitational only
- 17 registered
- What are the perimeters/limits to host St. Marys girls? A provincial team could damper the regional team and we don't want to diminish that.
- There needs to be lots of open dialogue, communication and transparency within the board and the parents during and after tryouts to help inform the decision and viability of a U14P team?
- Need to approach interested coaches to see if they are interested in running tryouts. Jared Frayne has offered to go on the ice for tryouts.
- P. Westlaken, individuals from association, potential coaches and potential WORL rep to evaluate.
- E. Thomson and C. McKichan will manage the sign in/registration desk. Sign-in sheet needs to contain, name, contact and email address.
- Post 1st tryout, Peter will submit evaluations/information to board further decision making.

Action Item-Peter will email B. Aarts & K.Linton to decide who would is interested in head coach if team is decided on

Changes to Constitution

- A non-board member is looking into to revising. Please reach out to L. Linton if there is any interest to assist with the revision.

Brainstorming- What is pressing for summer?

- Monthly SMRA newsletter
- Goalie Development/skills/goalie clinics
- Meet to start discussing next season- coaching discussions/decisions
- Closing registration in August (will need to formulate a policy/procedure on late registrations) – include this item on June agenda.
- Follow up from previous action item: U9 Parent behaviour- P. Westlaken to follow up regarding Parent Code of Conduct.

Date of Next Meeting:

- Monday June 17th 7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

Motion to close meeting: N. Pickel, E. Thomson-passed.

As discussed via email, the board was in agreement with not cashing Natasha's Rae's bond cheque, as she has helped out the association in the past