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NEW WESTMINSTER MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE MEETING Monday, October 15, 2012 **MINUTES** (by Colleen Ray)

1.0 ROLL CALL

Ross Young, Dave Schweitzer, Kevin Woolley, Kathy Matts, Rob Nasato, Kelly Corbett, Lynda Callard, Mirko Dabic, Ron Connor, Mike Hrybyk, Chuck Campbell, Barb Drake, Colleen Ray

1.1 The Executive voted in favour of having Ron Conner fill the VP3 position and Ron accepted (Ron Conner was excused for the vote).

2.0 ADOPTION of September 17, 2012 Minutes: Motion - Ross; Second -Kelly; Carried

3.0 CORRESPONDENCE

- We received a proposal from Veit Goaltending offering a \$300 gift 3.1 certificate to a NWMHA goalie; Rob will create an email loop for goalies to offer up this gift certificate that will be awarded by draw
- 3.2 Ron Booth from the City of New Westminster has concerns about dressing rooms remaining unlocked an encouraging theft; he is asking that NWMHA mandate that teams lock dressing rooms; Rob will draft a notice to coaches and send out an email; we can also encourage coaches to be "good hosts" and have a second lock for guest teams
- 4.0 **BUSINESS ARISING** None
- 5.0 NEW BUSINESS
 - Equipment purchase 5.1

Kevin submitted a proposal or the purchase of new goalie 5.1.1 Motion for the Equipment Manager to spend up to \$3500 towards the purchase of new goalie gear. Motion - Ross; Second -Barb; CARRIED

5.2 Goalie Training

Veit is offering the NWMHA a discount training session for goalies: sessions will be \$100/hour for shared training sessions (2 goalies per session); Shawn proposed (via correspondence) that we subsidize goalie training sessions by \$25 per goalie until December 25; if we were to offer this to our goalies we would ask Veit to bill us \$25 for the subsidy amount)

5.2.1 **Motion** that the Association subsidize goalie training by offering to pay up to \$25 per player, per week (plus HST) for one hour of goalie training from Veit Goaltending Instruction Inc. This is to be a trial program to the end of December 2012. Approval of the Executive is required to continue the program beyond that date. Motion – Chuck; Second – Ron; CARRIED

5.3 Helmet Requirement

Discussion about the prospect of having a consistent helmet colour for the Association; rationale included safety; some concern about the cost it would impose on parents if we implemented a policy too soon; recommendation that it apply to all players, not just "A" teams; a new policy would be included on the website and Managers would be asked to distribute this information to teams so that they had advance notice

5.3.1 **Motion** that effective with the 2014-2015 season, all players from the Atom Division up must wear black helmets and this is to be included in the Policies. Motion – Chuck; Second – Colleen; CARRIED

6.0 REPORTS

6.1 <u>President</u> (Rob) – extended thank you for all Executive members efforts in the start-up of this season; Manager meeting went well; provided clarification for scholarship program: available to applicants who are New Westminster residents, graduated from high school at the end of the 2012 year or earlier who played minor hockey during the grade 12 year, deadline for application will be November 30, 2012; further clarification provided in a written handout provided by Chuck;

6.1.1 **Motion** that a Scholarship Committee be formed and include the President, Treasurer, Juvenile Division Manager, Midget Division Manager and the Past President; the Committee will be chaired by the Treasurer. Motion – Ross; Second – Kevin W; CARRIED

Ross attended Presidents' League Meeting on Rob's behalf and reported the following: dates for Banner Days has been set for March 9-10; Hybrid or Coaches Stream training required for all level C coaches; Teamlink will only accept one team manager

6.2 1^{st} Vice President (Kevin, absent) – no report submitted

6.3 <u>2nd Vice President</u> (Purn, absent) – Rob suggested that we get a Committee together in the next week to discuss the Midget tournament; Mike Hrybyk will check in with Purn regarding progress

6.4 <u>3rd Vice President</u> (Ron) – attended the PCAHA/BC Hockey Safety meeting. Items discussed were zero tolerance for drugs/alcohol, discussion on all parents being required to take Speak Out, re-affirmed "2 deep" policy in the dressing room; picture order forms were distributed; picture date has been set for November 15th and Ron will send out schedule to Division Managers by the end of the coming week; looking at an Association schedule before Christmas and will get back to us

6.5 <u>Treasurer</u> (Chuck) – cheques distributed; Division Managers for Peewee, Bantam and Midget need to collect \$25 carding fee from parents and submit to the Association

6.5.1 **Motion** to amend the letterhead to include recognition of contributions from Community Gaming Grants (Province of BC) and grants from City of New Westminster Sports Council. Motion – Chuck; Second – Mirko; CARRIED

6.6 <u>Registrar</u> (Kathy) – challenges with carded players on C teams (email from BC Hockey); she is looking into it

6.7 <u>Coach Coordinator</u> (Shawn, absent) –

Report submitted in writing:

"RPM Training

After many drafts and back and forths the program seems to be on track with a schedule that meets our Association needs. The coaches have been encouraged to contact and work with the RPM staff to get the most out of the program. They have also been encouraged to raise any concerns with me regarding any issues that arise.

Goalie Clinic

The program is up and running. There are issues with fluctuating attendance and consequent staffing that need to be addressed. We obviously don't want to pay for extra instructors when few show and we don't want to be short of staff when many attend.

H2 Powerskating

Up and running. We are still in need of a coach to be on the ice to assist the RPM instructor. Will work with Barb to have someone volunteer. In H2 the second person on the ice is required to assist with behaviour and concentration issues and not provide technical assistance.

Wednesday Powerskating

Up and running. All sessions are full and Janet has worked hard to reduce and eliminate waiting lists. Scott McDonell is running the sessions. Diane is not available so we have asked Scott to take on more responsibility and he has agreed to do this. I spoke to Scott regarding the normal fee he would charge for instruction. He advises that his company Inside Edge usually charges \$180 an hour for the first instructor and then negotiates lesser fees for additional instructors. We have paid \$150 per instructor for the past three years that we have run the program. I propose that we pay Scott \$250 per two hour session. I believe this is justified on the basis of the going rate for instructors and also on the basis that Scott has consistently delivered the type of program we have come to expect and the fact that Scott has been asked to take on some of the administration in the sense that he is now the direct target of parents looking to move their kids up a level.

We have also been fortunate to add Duncan Pike of SPS Powerskating as a second instructor to the program. I have explained to Duncan that Scott is running the program and that his role is to provide technical assistance. I was able to observe last week and the program seems to be in good hands with both Scott and Duncan on the ice. Duncan is also capable of providing coverage should Scott be unable to attend a session for any reason. I propose that we pay Duncan \$150 per two hour session.

I believe our program is in excellent shape and we are well served by having both Scott and Duncan providing their expertise."

6.7.1 **Motion** to increase the rate for the Power Skating instructors to \$125 for the senior instructor and \$75 for assistant. Motion – Chuck; Second – Ross; CARRIED

6.8 <u>Referee-in-Chief</u> (Mirko) – ordered 10 bags for referees; would like to have pants embroidered for awards with some reimbursement from the Association; Mirko will bring forward a formal proposal at a future meeting 6.9 <u>Equipment Manager</u> (Kevin W) – socks have been distributed; looking for coach/manager lists for H1-H4

6:10 <u>Ice Allocator</u> (Lynda) – City has provided 12 ice slots between now and the end of the season for re-scheduling games; we will have to look at ice outside New Westminster

6.11 <u>Referee Allocator</u> (Kelly) – Managers need to let Kelly know how referees are doing; are referees need to be scheduled through Kelly
6.12 Division Managers –

H1/H2 (Barb) – 12 kids in H1; still balancing H2

H3/H4 (Lana, absent) – balancing still in progress

Atom (Dave) – still balancing C teams

<u>Peewee</u> (Kerry, absent) – report submitted in writing:

"More broken bones (5 is my last count) than I have seen in my time as a Div. Manager but all of them seem to be on the mend with no surgery required as of the latest news I heard.

Pee Wee A Team:

• Assigned to Flight 5 for the placement round.

• Team selection is complete.

 \circ 15 skaters and 1 goalie (10 second year and 5 first year skaters and a 2nd year goalie

 \circ 4 skaters and 1 goalie on the taxi squad (all second year except the goalie)

• The player injured before tryouts has ben assessed and selected to join the team

• Played their first placement game and beat NSWC. Play their 2nd game this evening

in Langley

• Will participate in a US Thanksgiving Tournament in Portland Nov. 22-25

• Players are very much enjoying the coach and his level of enthusiasm, commitment

and development.

• Full staff of coaches, manager and Safety people (some Asst. Coaches registered

for Dev. 1 to be completed before Dec. 1)

Pee Wee C Teams:

• Balancing is going good so far.

• More movement requests due to schedule conflicts than I have ever received. I was

able to accommodate them all so far within the balancing process.

• Inter-association balancing games were not all that helpful as players were missing

for most games. Results were all over the map.

• League balancing games have been much better. One team still seems better than

the other two but is also in a different group.

• C1 and C2 are in the Gold group

• C3 is in the Blue group

- C1 is 3-2 with a GFGA of 16/17
- C2 is 2-3 with a GF/GA of 18/14

• C3 is 6-1 with a GF/GA of 46/25 (this team has the 3 weakest skaters in the division but also the 3 strongest goal scores. One of which only plays 2/3 of the time due to soccer)

• I anticipate the league might ask for some movement here but maybe not if the other two teams stay equal. If movement is needed it will be before picture day.

• All teams have Coaches , Manager and Safety people registered." <u>Bantam</u> (Rick, absent) – no report submitted Midget (Mike) – teams seem to be balanced

Juvenile (Colleen) – nothing to report

6.13 Past President (Ross) – still working on Constitutional By-laws

- 7.0 Date of next meeting November 19, 2012
- 8.0 Adjourned at 9:26 pm