

**MINUTES for St. Marys Minor Hockey Association Meeting
Tues. December 3, 2019- Endzone Room in PRC**

Opening and Call to Order: 7:04pm by Kristene McCurdy

Attendance: Pete Frehner, Judy Greig, Kristene McCurdy, Paul Williams, Jen Switzer, Bernie Sterkenburg, Ryan Harris, Dale Switzer, Brandon Boyd, Chris Boyd, John Hodkinson, Kerry Wright, Kevin Bilyea, Cindy Johnston

Regrets: Dan Murrell, Ken Schiedel, Scott Richardson, Dennis Aarts, Owen Penney, Kevin DeNeve, John Bolton, Greg Smale, Tammy McCurdy, Melissa Rintoul, Dan Rudorfer, Erica Kiestra, Mike Morning, Mark Brintnell, Teri Flutterm, Donna Levy, Rich Ballantyne, Lori Martin, Mike Johnson, Rachel Torrance, Don Gibson, Reg Clinton, Tara Porter, Julie Pickering

Minutes from Nov 5, 2019 Meeting

- Motion to approve minutes made by John H, seconded by Paul W. Carried.

REPORTS:

Treasurer's Report - Bernie Sterkenburg

- Operating Account Balance to date is \$265 427.80 as of Dec. 2.
- Lottery account at \$31054. Cheques still to be cashed. Will be \$1116.57 left in acct.
- Registration account for when online registrations are active is \$420.00
- Exec. Meeting met last week and reviewed some YTD actuals for Registration, Tryout and Rep Fees. All are within 5% of what was budgeted.
- A reminder that all events that collect money should be using a balance sheet and submitted to the Treasurer. The form can be found on the website or in the Minor Hockey room.

Constitution Report- Paul Williams

Motion Article 28.2 Notice of the Bylaw/Constitution be rewritten as presented. (*See appendix for full article) made by Paul W. Seconded by Pete. F.

- thoughts were that we have not had an Audit Committee review the financial statement, currently the Executive/Finance Committee have reviewed the budget and financial statements.

Shamrock Report - John Hodkinson

- Midget All-star game is in Mooretown on Dec. 7. Two 15yr and two 16/17 yr. old's will be sent. Jersey invoices will be forwarded to the treasurer.
- Novice tournament will likely be last Sat. of March in Lambeth. It won't be sanctioned or true tournament style. Schedule for Jan. -Mar. full ice games are posted.

-Still some issues with game sheets. Missing scorekeeper name and number, filling in time when players go back on the ice from their penalty, games not uploaded within hrs. There will be fines for games not uploaded.

Registrar's Report- Jen Switzer and Donna Levy

- Still needing a person to fill OMHA registrar vacancy.
- still some outstanding Rowan's Law from Coaches.
- planning on collecting registration rates from Feb. 1-28.

Coaches Committee Report – Mark Brintnell (Regrets)

- No report.

OMHA Report- Pete Frehner

- still 64 coaches and 24 players that need Rowan's Law handed in. Approx. 8 police checks/affidavits.
- All rosters have been handed in and approved.
- Jan.10 is last day to hand in rosters.
- Jan. 6 will likely be the scheduling meeting.

OMHA Clinics- Erica Kiestra (Regrets)

- Nothing to report.

Ice Convenor Report- Chris Boyd

- PRC complaint- Some group training on clock has been done on non SMMHA ice time. Please try to stick to SMMHA booked ice.
- Ref association complaint- having trained people in timekeeper's box, remain neutral when in their and be respectful to the refs. Also, that the pegs don't seem to keep the net in place, causing a lot of delay in games. Chris will look into with the PRC as Bantam and Midget should be different.
- will be entering the next LMLL rounds.

Lambton-Middlesex Report- Don Gibson (Regrets)

- Don is away at the LMLL scheduling meeting tonight for the next round of games ending Jan. 28.
- a few Atom game sheets have come in 10-10-12, should be 10-10 -10.

OWHA/Lower Lakes Report- Mike Morning (Regrets)

- Mike sent a report wondering about Try Hockey and spring skates still taking place. Those in attendance support having spring skates as long as it works with ice schedule and any changes

in Hockey Canada re: tryouts. (Novice and Atom may have to wait until week after school starts in Sept. under new regulations.

WOGHL Rep- Reg Clinton (Regrets)

-Nothing to report.

Equipment Report- Lori Martin (Regrets)

- Nothing to report.

Sponsorship Report-Ryan Harris

-All sponsors for jerseys are collected, except for Army & Navy.

- LL Tourn. sponsors will be confirmed next week.

Volunteer Bond Report- Judy Greig

- Judy will be sending out two bond links soon. One for a few spots to sell the River Valley passes in the PRC lobby. (due to easiness and low number needed, those in attendance agreed to only offer these to IP parents due to no Jamboree). LL Tourn. signup will be emailed the second week of Dec. once schedule is received.

- Judy will send a mass email with a time and date when signup link will be sent, so all parents are prepared.

- A note that the timeclock button on Blue Rink sticks and should be fixed by LL Tourn.

Skill Development Committee- M. Brintnell, D. Murrell, R. Clinton, S. Richardson, M. Johnson

- Nothing to report.

Initiation Program Report – Tara Porter

- Nothing to report.

Tournament Committee Report- R. Ballantyne, D. Switzer, E.Kiestra

- tentative balance statement for AE Tourn. is \$7233 profit. Still waiting on poster/programs invoice from Thames Label.

- LL Tourn. has 6 Atom, 4 Peewee, 4 Bantam, 4 Midget teams. Will send one last email out, as well as to Don to send to LMLL to see if any other teams interested.

- NBC Tourn. will be led by Rich B. No Jamboree for this year.

Webmaster Report- Rachel Torrance

- Nothing to report.

Lottery License Report- P. Frehner, B. Boyd, B. Sterkenburg

- Brandon reported that once winning cheques are cashed, the Dec. bank statement and invoices for Elimination Draw audit.

Fundraising Event Committee Report- T. Flutterm, B. Boyd, R. Harris, D. Rudorfer.

- Ryan reported that the Committee met last week, Jan. 12 3-6pm, set to have the Rock the Valley event at River Valley Tube Slide. Stephanie Martin will be singing.
Passes sold a few weekends during Dec., Girls Rock the Rink, and at LL Tourn. Passes can be used any time during the tube slide season. Passes are \$20, \$5 of that goes to SMMHA. Team managers will be given passes to sell as well, handing in any unsold tickets.
- Team incentive with a pizza party for the team that sells the most tickets.
- Still looking into logistics of a golf tournament in partnership with St. Marys Golf Course.

Photos Report- Tammy McCurdy (Regrets)

- One feedback was the Pre-IP group took a long time due to the size. Maybe splitting them into 2 groups would help.
- Ensure PRC rooms can be booked for same day as photographer is booked.

Awards Night Report- Kerry Wright

- Kerry has cleaned out 2 of the trophy cases in hallway across from blue rink. All trophies being used is in first case. Other two cases are current sponsors and memorial trophies. All other awards no longer given out are currently in storage room in far corner of blue rink. (in Atom LL locker). Approx. 40 awards are currently not used.
- Looking into what to do with all of the paper banners that are currently in storage.
- Those in attendance agreed any unused awards can be offered to the sponsor. Ensure a photo or any history of that award is kept for records.
- Looking at last 2 weeks in April for Awards night.

Gate Coordinator's Report- Cindy Johnston

- Cindy said the free scheduling app that she is using for staff is working well.
- There has been 11 games in Sept, 33 in Oct, and 43 games in November, but attendance has seemed to be lower than in the past. There have been less games on weekends due to a few blackout ice times.

Community Liaison Report: Kristene McCurdy

1. Girls rock the Rink: Brandon B. noted that the St. Marys Lincolns Rock the Rink event for

SMMHA teams is on Fri. Jan. 3. Free tickets will be handed out to all SMMHA girl players, Mike M. will put envelopes in all coaches' mailboxes. They will be highlighting some past players that have had successful hockey careers, as well as the Dixies, the first female hockey team in St. Marys. River Valley Passes will be sold at the game as well for our fundraiser.

2. Kettle Bell: A reminder that the Salvation Army needs some help during December at the Kettle Bell, if teams want to contact them.

Old Business

None.

New Business

None.

Motion to Dismiss:

A Motion to dismiss at 8:30pm made by Paul W. Seconded by Chris B.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be held on Tues. Jan.7, 2020 at 7pm in the Endzone.

Appendix:

Article 28.2 of the Bylaw/Constitution:

Currently Article reads " An Audit Committee made up of 2 or more Directors shall be elected at the annual meeting to review and audit the financial statement and report to the Corporation at the next annual meeting."

MOTION: that Article 28.2 of the bylaws be rewritten as " The Executive will review the annual financial statement(s) before the AGM and report back to the membership at the AGM.