

**MINUTES for St. Marys Minor Hockey Association Meeting  
Tues. Nov. 5, 2019- Endzone, Pyramid Recreation Centre**

**Opening and Call to Order:** 7:05pm by Kristene McCurdy

**Attendance:** Pete Frehner, Judy Greig, Kristene McCurdy, Paul Williams, Jen Switzer, Lori Martin, Chris Boyd, Julie Pickering, John Hodkinson, Don Gibson, Rachel Torrance, Kerry Wright, Donna Levy, Mark Brintnell, Teri Flutters, Dan Rudorfer, Kevin Tate, Kevin Bilyea

**Regrets:** Dan Murrell, Ken Schiedel, Scott Richardson, Dennis Aarts, Owen Penney, Kevin DeNeve, John Bolton, Greg Smale, Tammy McCurdy, Melissa Rintoul, Bill McPhail, Erica Kiestra, Mike Morning, Rich Ballantyne, Cindy Johnston, Bernie Sterkenburg, Ryan Harris, Reg Clinton, Dale Switzer, Brandon Boyd, Tara Porter, Mike Johnson,

**Minutes from Oct. 1, 2019 Meeting**

- Motion to approve minutes made by Chris B. and seconded by Paul.W. Carried.

**REPORTS:**

***Treasurer's Report - Bernie Sterkenburg (Regrets)***

- Kristene read Bernie's report. Operating Account Balance to date is \$290 372.95 as of Oct. 30. Nov. 1 Tournament cheques are not included in this total.
- Lottery account has \$35 054.99, will have \$1116.77 remain in the account and the rest is donated to the Lincolns.
- Electronic registering account is at \$430.

***Constitution Report- Paul Williams***

- Deferred item to December meeting to have proposed changes posted on website longer.

***Shamrock Report - John Hodkinson***

- John reminded that on Ipad gamesheets, ensure that there is a Head Coach and Trainer that has signed. If the regular Head Coach and trainer names are marked "away", other bench staff should be assigned that title for the game.
- Refs are clamping down on derogatory remarks, can be a possible 7 game suspension.
- Novice Championship is Mar. 28, 29. Still figuring out logistics.

***Registrar's Report- Jen Switzer and Donna Levy***

- Jen S. reported that registration is closed. There has been no more additions.
- Missing Rowans Laws are being tracked.
- Jen is stepping down as OMHA registrar position. Donna Levy will still be the OWHHA registrar.

Donna requested separate registrar email addresses for OWHA and OMHA to make things easier. The OMHA registrar position will be posted on the website.

***Coaches Committee Report – Mark Brintnell***

- Working with Pete F. on getting the remaining missing qualifications being handed in from Coaches.
- Final date for missing coaching qualifications or Respect in Sport/Rowan's Law is Nov. 17. After then, the Coach is not allowed on the Bench, or player to be on the ice.
- An AP (affiliate player) guideline has been posted on the SMMHA website. No motion needed as it is just a guideline. This pertains to OMHA players only; OWHA AP guidelines are separate by OWHA. OMHA AP guidelines would apply if an OWHA player is playing for an OMHA team.

***OMHA Report- Pete Frehner***

- Pete is still trying to collect missing bench staff qualifications, Police Checks and Respect in Sport.
- Mark will contact Coaches and players missing qualifications, or player items not handed in. Jen S. will contact people regarding missing Rowans Law or Respect in Sport.

***OMHA Clinics- Erica Kiestra (Regrets)***

- Nothing to report.

***Ice Convenor Report- Chris Boyd***

- Girls next round of scheduled games is on Nov. 7.
- Dec. 3 is the meeting for scheduling the LMLL next round.

***Lambton-Middlesex Report- Don Gibson***

- Don reported that the Novice division is in schedule. Currently posting 0-0 scores.
- 8 mins of penalty rule is being enforced. A total of 4 league ejections has been done this season.
- Apr. 4-5 is the Championship Series in Leamington. Peewee White could be a contender for this.

***OWHA/Lower Lakes Report- Mike Morning***

- Mike is still collecting missing Rowan's Law. He asked if there would be an electronic way to fill this form out next year. Jen S. believed there is a way and hopefully next season there won't be a need to scan all papers in again.

***WOGHL Rep- Reg Clinton (Regrets)***

- Nothing to report.

***Equipment Report- Lori Martin***

- All Dairy Assoc. of Ontario/OMHA jersey patches have been sewn on both home and away jerseys of OMHA rep teams. Dunny's in town sewed them on. They seem large in size. Pete gave OMHA feedback on the cost imposed to Associations to have them sewn on.

***Sponsorship Report-Ryan Harris (Regrets)***

- AE Tournament had 4 divisions sponsors of \$500 and all have paid.
- Jersey sponsorship, need to collect payment from one business.
- LL Tournament, will look into past sponsors and gather any new ones needed.

***Volunteer Bond Report- Judy Greig***

- Judy reported that collecting cheques from IP parents with Tara went well. Not giving out Jerseys to IP players until cheque and forms were handed in cut down on a lot of missing items.
- A signup link for volunteers to sign up for a shift at the AE Tournament was sent by mass emailed and website. Spots were filled very quickly. Still some volunteers signing up for spots they needed a review/guidance on to do job.
- A lot of people didn't have cheques so gave cash until a cheque (mostly by grandparents) could be postdated and swapped for the cash originally handed in for bond.
- Judy tracked rep fee, bond cheque, and some Rowan's Law form (were given to registrars to upload to HCR) and 24 hr/Photo Forms will be returned to Kristene M.

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

- Mark said that power skating sessions have started.
- Schedules were based on a combination of practice times and instructor availability.
- Kevin Tate coaches Nov. LL and the shared session with Atom LL had too many people on the ice.

***Initiation Program Report – Tara Porter (Regrets)***

- Tara sent a report that she is collecting a few remaining Respect in Sports.

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

- AE Tourn. Was Oct. 18-20. There were 25 teams. Kristene said there were not many issues, seemed very calm. Still waiting on some invoices to come in for final numbers. Should have a profit report at Dec. meeting.

- LL Tournament divisions are starting to fill. Tourn. is Jan. 3-5, 2020. Should have schedule done at beginning of Dec.
- There won't be an IP jamboree this year.

***Webmaster Report- Rachel Torrance***

- Nothing to report.

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

- Pete reported that the main draw was held on Nov. 1 in the Endzone. John Froud was the winner of \$15000. All 500 tickets were sold.
- Last deposit went in this week of Nov. 5. Brandon B. is distributing cheques to winners.

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

- Teri reported that the Comm. is trying to secure a time for everyone to meet soon.
- They decided to wait until there was more time next year to start an online auction.
- Will host a day on Jan. 12 at River Valley for tube sliding and gathering at Clubhouse. Will sell passes for tube sliding which \$3 from each pass will go to SMMHA. Some bond spots will be needed to sell tickets before that date.
- Ryan also noted that a SMMHA golf tournament could be a partnered event held with St. Marys Golf Course, to continue an event with them. There has been a SMMHA golf tournament in the past; the Committee will look further into this.

***Photos Report- Tammy McCurdy (Regrets)***

- Tammy distributed packages at the end of last week to Coaches mailboxes and a schedule was posted on the website. Pictures are taking place this week.
- Tammy sent a report to clarify that all teams do have the opportunity during their time slot to get both a team picture and individual picture.
- Clarification was also made that there is no free team photo for coach staff this year, and only the packages that indicate they come with a team photo have one included. An email to the coaches will be sent to clarify this.

***Awards Night Report- Kerry Wright***

- She has started to clean out the trophy cabinets in the hallway by the Blue Rink. All current trophies being used are in one cabinet.
- Kerry will bring an inventory to the Dec. meeting. She will get a rough estimate of the cost to do repairs and add bases to awards that need it.

***Gate Coordinator's Report- Cindy Johnston (Regrets)***

- Cindy reported that she's using a scheduling app with staff that seems to be going well.
- 50 gate passes sold to date, approx. 25% of last year's total sales. A good start!

***Community Liaison Report: Kristene McCurdy***

1. Rock the Rink: Mike M. included in his report that the St. Marys Lincolns Rock the Rink event for SMMHA players was on Oct. 25. Free tickets were handed out to all SMMHA players. There was some great spirit shown by teams and the Atom AE team won the pizza party awarded to the team with the most team spirit.

***Old Business***

None.

***New Business***

1. Salvation Army Kettle: Julie Pickering was talking to Pam from the Salvation Army Kettle for her kid's teams, and passed on that they are still needing help on Sat. Dec. 7, 14, and 21. Judy will email coaches the dates, and Pam's phone number for teams to contact if they want to help out.

2. Bauer First Shift Program: Dan Rudorfer looked into more information about the Tavistock program. They currently have 46 kids (approx. 6-9 years old). This is their 5<sup>th</sup> year and are at capacity every year. Dan is going to see the program in action on Nov. 7. Dan is looking into the what would be needed to run a program like this next season in SMMHA.

***Motion to Dismiss:***

A Motion to dismiss at 8:00pm made by Paul W. Seconded by Chris B.

***Next Meeting:***

The next meeting will be held on Tues. Dec. 3, 2019 at 7pm in the Endzone.

***Appendix:***

None.