

**MINUTES for St. Marys Minor Hockey Association Meeting
Tues. October 1, 2019- Multipurpose Room in Friendship Centre**

Opening and Call to Order: 7:07pm by Kristene McCurdy

Attendance: Pete Frehner, Judy Greig, Kristene McCurdy, Paul Williams, Jen Switzer, Lori Martin, Bernie Sterkenburg, Ryan Harris, Dale Switzer, Brandon Boyd, Reg Clinton, Tara Porter, Chris Boyd, Julie Pickering, John Hodkinson, Don Gibson, Rachel Torrance, Mike Johnson, Jamie Matheson, Marty Thomson, Bob Davis

Regrets: Dan Murrell, Ken Schiedel, Scott Richardson, Dennis Aarts, Owen Penney, Kevin DeNeve, John Bolton, Greg Smale, Tammy McCurdy, Melissa Rintoul, Dan Rudorfer, Bill McPhail, Erica Kiestra, Mike Morning, Mark Brintnell, Teri Fluttert, Kerry Wright, Donna Levy, Rich Ballantyne, Cindy Johnston

Minutes from Sept. 3, 2019 Meeting

- Motion to approve minutes made by Chris B. and seconded by Marty T. Carried.

REPORTS:

Treasurer's Report - Bernie Sterkenburg

-Operating Account Balance to date is \$272 095.82 which includes the Oct. 1 cheque deposit.
- Lottery account at \$36265.89. Sept Early Bird \$1000 winner cheque has been given but not cleared.
-Registration account for when online registrations are active is \$440.00
-Will have AE Tourn. And Nov. 1 dated Tourn. Cheques from coaches to deposit before the Nov. meeting.

Constitution Report- Paul Williams

Motion that p. 17, Article 31 Notice of the Bylaw/Constitution be rewritten as presented. (*See appendix for full article) made by Paul W. Seconded by Chris. B. Carried.

-31.3 originally in the Constitution is proposed to be removed as it is not by-law material, therefore irrelevant.

Shamrock Report - John Hodkinson

- Schedules are out. Atom and Peewee AE have some Alliance games *Wear white home and away as some teams are dark jerseys for home games. John will email Cindy about some Alliance parents not willing to pay gate fee.
- Midget All-star game is in Mooretown in early December. Send two 15yr and two 16/17 yr. old names by Nov. 1. Teams can forward a suggested goalie as well.

- Electronic game codes have been emailed out.

Registrar's Report- Jen Switzer and Donna Levy

- Jen S. mentioned there are still a few more Minor Novice and IP registrations coming.
- Jen asked if there would be a cap on Pre IP registrations with current number of 44. Those in attendance noted that not all IP attend each week, so numbers should be ok for safety. Chris B. will contact PRC about getting a third dressing room for that age group.

Coaches Committee Report – Mark Brintnell (Regrets)

- Kristene M read Mark's emailed report that tryouts went well. All rep and LL coaches are confirmed with certifications being secured.
- There have been some cancellations that have squeezed some team numbers. Division reps will monitor.
- Oct. 18 is the deadline for LL teams to have their forms and cheques handed in.

OMHA Report- Pete Frehner

- rosters and certifications coming in. There will be no travel permits handed out for Tournaments, including the St. Marys one without approved rosters.
- OMHA manual of operations are in everyone's mailbox.
- AP's can't play in a game with a form signed by everyone.

OMHA Clinics- Erica Kiestra (Regrets)

- Nothing to report.

Ice Convenor Report- Chris Boyd

- All schedules are in, including LMLL.
- Teams must send travel permits for Tournaments to Pete F. and Chris B. or there won't be anything put on team schedules.
- Email Chris right away for practice cancellations so ice can be re-distributed.

Lambton-Middlesex Report- Don Gibson

- Don reported that the registration fee of \$70 per team (7 SMMHA teams registered) will need to be paid by the next LMLL meeting.
- Sept. 23 was the scheduling meeting with Jaden Ropp (Peewee), Dan McIntosh (Atom) attending, and Midget schedule was done by another LMLL rep as no one from SMMHA attended for that division.
- Novice division rep (Melissa R.) will be attending schedule meeting. There is discussion about

having an umbrella league for Minor Novice in future seasons, to cut out travel permits.
- Dec. 4 will be the seeding schedule meeting, and Jan. 28 will be to schedule playoffs.

OWHA/Lower Lakes Report- Mike Morning (Regrets)

- Mike emailed a report that Judy G. read. All teams and staff are rostered. Still waiting for a few staff to confirm credentials.
- Having teams made earlier helped allow rosters to be complete 2 weeks earlier than usual. This allowed teams to play exhibition games earlier.
- Lower Lakes registered team this season is the Midget B team, coached by Bill McPhail. Bill attended the scheduling meeting in Toronto.

WOGHL Rep- Reg Clinton

- Reg attended the schedule meeting and Chris B. has entered everything into team calendars.

Equipment Report- Lori Martin

- All ordered jerseys have arrived.
- Dunny's Source for Sports in St. Marys agreed to price match the London Source for Sports quote on the Goalie Equipment. Equipment was received, but Lori said some sizes needed to be reordered.
- The Dairy Assoc. of Ontario has donated money to OMHA. As part of this sponsorship, patched with both logos will be sent to Associations to put on all OMHA rep team jerseys (home and away), at their own expense by Nov. 1. Dunny's in town will sew them on, fee is \$1.25 per jersey. Lori will ensure jerseys are clean before patch is put on, and will take them to Dunny's when teams are needing them.

Sponsorship Report-Ryan Harris

- Ryan Harris has agreed to fill this position.
- There are three teams to still collect jersey sponsorship money from.
- AE Tournament sponsors are all confirmed except Midget division.

Volunteer Bond Report- Judy Greig

- Judy will collect cheques from IP parents when Tara collects forms. Jerseys to IP players will not be given out until cheque and forms are handed in.
- A signup link for volunteers to sign up for a shift at the AE Tournament, will be mass emailed and put on website this week.
- Judy will taken home team packages received to confirm rep fees, bond cheque and forms are received from players. Rowan's Law forms will be 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 sent regrets along with a report.
- Fees for power skating instructors were sent to Bernie. Three instructors have been secured, now working on team schedules.

Initiation Program Report – Tara Porter

- First skate was Sept. 21. Mike and Tara held parent meeting in Dressing Room #1 for Jr. and Sr IP, and on home bench for Pre-IP. Judy spoke about the bond program.
- Jerseys have been received. Once teams have been made, jerseys will be handed out if all forms and bond cheque have been handed in.

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

- AE Tourn. Is Oct. 18-20. Schedule is now posted. There are 6 Atom, 7 Peewee, 6 Bantam, and 6 Midget teams registered including St. Marys teams, a total of 25 teams.
- LL Tourn. Jan. 3-5, 2020 has been approved and sanctioned. Application will be posted on the website.
- If there is going to be a Jamboree in March, approval would need to be submitted to OMHA in November.

Webmaster Report- Rachel Torrance

- Nothing to report. The transition has gone well so far.

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

- 375 tickets (out of 500) are sold to date.
- Main draw will be held on Nov. 1.
- December bank statement will need to be submitted for license application again in January.

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

- Teri sent her regrets, Ryan reported the ideas they had to date.
- Thinking about a fundraiser in partnership with River Valley Tube Slide. Tube slide passes would be sold to families and relatives for \$18, and \$3 from each pass would be profit for SMMHA. Passes could be used any time during the season, but a SMMHA family event would be held sometime the weekend of Jan. 10.
- An online silent auction would accompany this fundraiser, with winning bids handed out at the

tube slide event. Those in attendance thought a Sunday afternoon may be best.

- 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 sent a report that due to a conflict with PRC bookings needed, the first week of October as originally planned was not going to work.
- Lasting Impressions is now booked to hold pictures the first week of November. Packages will still be received by Christmas.
- A photo schedule will be emailed to coaches, and posted on SMMHA website.

Awards Night Report- Kerry Wright (Regrets)

- Nothing to report.

Gate Coordinator's Report- Cindy Johnston (Regrets)

- Staff Training is completed.
- 17 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: Brandon B. noted that the St. Marys Lincolns Rock the Rink event for SMMHA players is on Oct. 25. Free tickets will be handed out to all SMMHA players, Mike M. will put envelopes in all coaches' mailboxes. There will be a pizza party awarded to the team with the most team spirit.

- Some Lincoln players have helped at practices, hoping more teams will use players to help out on the ice.

2. Gary Douglas Tourn. Cheque- Gary Douglas Tournament donation cheque has been received. Suggestion to ensure some SMMHA representatives could participate in the tournament next year.

Old Business

None.

New Business

None.

Motion to Dismiss:

A Motion to dismiss at 8:10pm made by Chris. B. Seconded by Paul W.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be held on Tues. Nov. 5, 2019 at 7pm in the Endzone.

Appendix:

Article 31 of the Bylaw/Constitution:

31.1 Amendments to the By-Laws: Any proposed amendment to the by-laws must be placed in the local media and/or on the SMMHA website at least ten days before the membership meeting where the proposed amendment will be discussed.

31.2 Any legal document (including any communication or document sent by SMMHA to another party) shall be deemed to be legally given if it is physically mailed, mailed/posted electronically, or is an advertisement in physical or electronic media.