SWHA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

December 9, 2015 – St. Norbert Community Centre

Motion was passed at the January 13, 2016 SWHA Board Meeting to approve the December 09, 2015 Meeting Minutes as recorded below. Motion by Kevin Murray and seconded by Keith Murphy.

Attendees

- Richard Morin - Secretary
- Brent Walker – Director of Coach Development
- Kevin Murray – South Winnipeg CC
- Tamara Murray - Registrar
- Nicole Carnegie – VP Female Program
- Craig Berry – VP House League
- Paul Comte – Treasurer & Referee in Chief
- Ken Whapham – Director of Equipment
- Warren Hruska – VP Direct Entry
- Bruce MacPherson – VP 8-12
- Trevor Buchberger – Twins Liaison
- Keith Murphy – St. Norbert CC
- Murray Harding – VP Ice & Scheduling
- Ron Wood – Past President
- Daryl Fowler - President
- Cam Pow – VP Officials

Agenda topics

PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

- Minutes of the November 18, 2015 meeting were distributed on December 7.
- Ron Wood noted that contrary to what was recorded, a player who is called up can be called up a maximum of ten (10) occasions at any time during a season and not five times during the first half and five times during the second half of the season.
- Motion to accept minutes passed. (1st – Kevin Murray / 2nd – Nicole Carnegie)

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – DARYL FOWLER

- Thanked Brent Walker and Tamara Murray for their work in ensuring that all Child Abuse Registry forms and Coach certification requirements were completed per the previously stipulated deadline. All were completed with no issues to report.
- Addressed a situation with a parent who wanted their child to play hockey at the age of 4. Registration was late and were not able to make the situation work. Player will wait to register next year.
- Attended Hockey Winnipeg meeting on Monday night. Dealt with parent, coach problems. Not a productive meeting. A few parents were suspended in city (fighting in stands, disagreements with coach that were selected to coach teams). Meeting did not deal with what was best for the game of hockey. No issues to report from SWHA.

TREASURER'S REPORT – PAUL COMTE

- Received cheque from Hockey Winnipeg for $7,358 with a portion already being committed by the Board.
- Waiting on a few cheques from Murray (fees from FGNHA).
- One female midget payment issue. Player qualified for GCWCC subsidy at maples. Player quit at the end of November. SWHA should receive partial payments for the 2 month period in which the player participated.
- Financial reports to be generated by Christmas.

SECRETARY'S REPORT – RICHARD MORIN

- Nothing to report at this time.

REGISTRAR'S REPORT – TAMARA MURRAY

- Considering not accepting cheques for registrations going forward. Credit cards or prepaid credit cards would be the only option for payment. This has been implemented by St. Vital without issue.
- Treasurer will investigate also accepting e-Transfers.

MOTION:
That SWHA no longer accept cheques and cash for payment starting in 2016.
Moved by Tamara Murray and seconded by Nicole Carnegie. Motion Passed.

VP OF 8-12 – BRUCE MACPHERSON

- Reviewed an incident that took place at Max Bell Arena where the ice had been double booked. SWHA was not at fault.
- Still trying to hold the Convenors meeting.

VP OF DIRECT ENTRY – WARREN HRUSKA

- Nothing to report.
- Asked Daryl for an update on the Midget Working Group and what changes should be proposed on behalf of the SWHA. These meetings should be starting in January.

VP OF FEMALE HOCKEY – NICOLE CARNEGIE

- Received socks and other than a few sizing issues all is good. Jersey quality is not the greatest and do not expect these to last more than two seasons.
- FGNHA collect an additional $70 per player at the time of registration for development. SWHA will charge the same as FGNHA next year.
- Social in support of the Female Program has been scheduled for January 22, 2016 at the WHCC.
- Winter Storm Classic (Jan 25 to 31, 2016). 21 teams registered at the moment in four divisions. Going well.

VP OF HOUSE LEAGUE – CRAIG BERRY

- No issues to report.
- March Madness tournament will not be held this year. Season will be extended by 2 weeks in lieu. Craig to confirm with FGNHA that they understand that this is happening.
- Will switch from cross ice to half ice after xmas.
- March 5 – Timbits Jamboree at Iceplex

VP OF OFFICIAL – CAM POW (Update provided by Paul Comte)

- Attended to a couple minor issues this past period.
- Rule clarification: Injured players can be on the bench, however they must be in full uniform.
- Officials Development: 6 new referees with 25 on-ice mentorships completed for those officials. Good feedback from shadowing, rather than supervision. Will move towards more shadowing going forward.
- For discussion: Mandate a 2 minute warmup prior to a game starting? If previous game runs late, then current game should be shorter. There already is a rule in place to cut the clock short, however Paul looking to write new rule adding 2 minutes as warm up is important.

Note: The Referee in Chief's report is captured in the VP of Officials Report.

DIRECTOR OF EQUIPMENT REPORT – KEN WHAPHAM

- Waiting on a few girls to return the jerseys they had borrowed. Cam Pow to address this.
- AtoMc program starts up in February. Ken wants to sign up right away in order to get the desired colours and would also coordinate ordering for the female Atom program with Nicole.

MOTION:
That SWHA go forward with ordering jerseys from the AtoMc program again in 2016.
Moved by Trevor Buchberger and seconded by Warren Hruska. Motion Passed.

VP OF ICE & SCHEDULING – MURRAY HARDING

- Waiting on two payments (both FGNHA)
- Teams will be practicing/playing January 2 (2nd half start)
- Outdoor practices to be scheduled next week. WHCC and St. Norbert
- 119 teams registered for Christmas classic
- Questions why our own teams would skip this tournament and register elsewhere (i.e. Jets tournament)
- Iceplex will be running a Spring tournament which will be in direct competition for team registrations with our SWCC Spring Classic tournament.

COMMUNITY CENTRE REPORT – KEITH MURPHY

- The 8A1 parents meeting was very successful. As such, Keith will be putting the same presentation on for the 9A1 parents shortly.

TWIN'S PROGRAM – TREVOR BUCHBERGER

- No major issues to report.
- The Twins Board is currently determining how best to respond to an issue whereby parents are questioning coach selection.

NEW BUSINESS

- A DRAFT Age Advancement Policy was circulated for discussion at this meeting.
  Two options: (1) No advancement or (2) Advancement with conditions
  Those in attendance were asked to provide comments/revisions/suggestions to Cam Pow in advance of the next meeting.
  The Policy will be discussed with a vote to take place by the January Board Meeting as it must be in place prior to the next AGM.
  DEFERRED TO NEXT MEETING

- In regards to Coach certifications: an individual without the proper coaching level cannot be on the ice as this is a Hockey Canada insurance issue.
- Team Fees: Need to put some limits in place going forward. Parents have complained. Suggestion is for the Associaiton (convenors and VPs) to review all budgets before any team is allowed to spend money (or request funds from parents). The Twins have much of this wording already written and will share with the Board.
- Bauer First Try Hockey – SWHA have suggested to the organizer that we could participate in September/October of 2016.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:
Moved by Paul Comte and Seconded by Daryl Fowler.

Next Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, January 13, 2016 at the Richmond Kings CC.