

ANCASTER MINOR HOCKEY LEAGUE

Executive Meeting

Thursday March 12, 2009 @ 7:00 pm

Attendees: C. DeLuca, B. Walters, D. Morrow, J. Rainford, W. Urban, G. McGuire, J. Hulsman, J. DiSalvia, M. Legris

Regrets: P. Stephenson, K. Viersen, D. Brown

1.0 Welcome

D. Morrow, called the meeting to order at 7:20 pm.

2.0 Items for Approval and Requiring Voting:

- a. Agenda. Motion by J. Hulsman, seconded by J. DiSalvia, to approve the Agenda as amended. Carried unanimously.
- b. Minutes of Feb. 12, 2009 meeting. Motion by J. Rainford, seconded by D. Morrow, to approve minutes of Feb. 12 as amended. Carried unanimously.
- c. Minutes of Feb. 26, 2009 meeting. Motion by G. McGuire, seconded by W. Urban, to approve minutes of Feb. 26. Carried by majority voting, J. DiSalvia and J. Rainford abstaining.

3.0 Items for Discussion

- a) Hammill House. D. Morrow advised the board he and B. Walters have signed on behalf of AMHL.
- b) Rep Awards Day. P. Stephenson advised the board of the number of rep teams in favour, against and indifferent on having this Awards day in 2009, and the decision to reverse the prior decision and now host a Rep Awards Day one evening from 6-9pm. The board heard about the schedule for the house league Awards Day on Sat. March 28.
- c) d) and e) See Treasurer's Report in 4 f) below.
- f) Discipline report. The board was advised the Discipline committee held a hearing on Saturday March 7 (as a result of a novice game incident the previous weekend) and has issued a written report.
- g) Rep coach selection. G. McGuire noted the number of applicants, the composition of the committee interviewing applicants, the process communicated to applicants and interviews beginning next week.
- h) Dinner and Dance April 18. W. Urban advised the hall has been booked for 200 attendees, the cost per plate or table of 10, various auctions and items, raffles, etc.
- i) Complaint and Appeal forms. M. Legris reviewed again the complaint and appeal forms for the board, proposed AMHL banner on the form and the cost for filing the form – written \$25 and in person \$50 being consistent. Motion by M. Legris, seconded by G. McGuire, that the board approves the complaint and appeal forms as amended with the AMHL banner and fees. Carried unanimously.

- j) Bulldogs Day. W. Urban reported on the low ticket sales, few 50/50 sellers, need for more volunteers, and timing of Bulldogs Day, in order to be more successful as a fund raising event of AMHL next year.
- k) Ice hours. B. Walters raised an ice hours discrepancy for AMHL in 2008-09 and need for further work to identify source of discrepancy.
- l) Rep playoffs. The board was updated on the Atom AE team in the OMHA finals and the Bantam and Pee wee teams in Tri-county.
- m) Hockey Canada Registry Update. The board learned that many sports leagues use ITSportsnet; however the OMHA is the only hockey association among 13 major regions not currently using the Hockey Canada Registry (HCR). However, the OMHA is moving to the HCR and J. Rainford and K. Viersen have taken training on this new system. There are several advantages including cost, ease of use for registration (including teams and keeping team statistics), etc. associated with the AMHL and OMHA moving to this new system.
- n) Tournaments. C. DeLuca discussed best ice time use for tournaments, i.e. Christmas, March Break and early bird (Fall) for both house league and rep teams. The board also discussed possible identifying names for such a (memorial) tournament.
- o) Lock. The board discussed the possibility of a keyless lock system and its cost for the office.
- p) Jerseys. The board heard about sublimation in the jerseys, colours, original 6 jerseys and the 2 year tender.
- q) Goalie school. The board heard that Matt Clark from On Ice Goalie school in Hamilton wished to make a presentation on his goalie school to the board. Matt is to be invited to the May 2009 board meeting.

4.0 Reports

- a) Jr. & Sr. House League Report. J. Rainford reported that all teams in house league advance to the playoff rounds which have a round robin format. Two Sr. house league coaches have been suspended as a result of teams leaving the bench area after the game (and before the visiting team).
- b) Registrar Ice Scheduling. No report
- c) Initiation Program. No report, however J. Hulsman advised the board he is working on finding someone to fill this director position.
- d) Sponsorship. J. DiSalvia reported all matters addressed, however it was noted the website still carries the prior year's sponsors logos and links to their websites.
- e) Secretary. No report. Position is vacant.

- f) Treasurer. B. Walters reviewed the draft income statement and balance sheet for AMHL at March 8, 2009. B. Walters also discussed the 2009-10 draft budget with a \$10,704 surplus, however, with all the budgeted items and projected fund raising, there are questions on whether it can be achieved and registration fees can be kept the same for 2009-10 by the AMHL. The board discussed the 2009-10 rep tryout fee of \$50 due to the increased ice cost. Motion by B. Walters, seconded by D. Morrow, that the 2009 rep tryout fee be \$50 per player. Carried unanimously.
- g) Rep Convenor. J. Hulsman reported for P. Stephenson that teams are still playing and the board should continue to watch for the rep playoff games (and deciding games).
- h) Coach and Player Development. G. McGuire reported on a team specific survey, the different results/experiences by parents and a strong interest in the off ice coaching (plans, communication, etc.).
- i) Special events. W. Urban noted several events previously discussed, however Awards Day for house league still needs attention. Plans for this day include Pizza, chuck a puck between 2nd and 3rd periods and 50/50 tickets to help with AMHL fund raising.

5.0 New Business

a) The board was advised that P. Stephenson signs permission to skate forms (F1); we need to book rep tryout ice time; and the equipment manager will be collecting equipment (i.e. goalie) from players on Awards Day (March 28).

b) The board also needs to begin looking into the posting of positions for the AGM in June (tentatively scheduled Thursday June 4), and noted that there will be no sizing and numbers issues with rep jerseys this year, however rep coach committee recommendations will be needed before next meeting.

c) Vice President. No report.

6.0 Next meetings – Thursday April 9, 2009 and May 7, at 7:00 PM.

7.0 Adjournment – Motion to adjourn by B. Walters, seconded by G. McGuire. Carried unanimously.