

ANCASTER MINOR HOCKEY LEAGUE

Executive Meeting

Thursday May 14, 2009 @ 7:00 pm

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

Regrets:

1.0 Welcome

Prior to the formal commencement of the meeting, D. Morrow introduced Matt Clark of On Ice Goal Tending School in Hamilton. Matt Clark spoke to the board and is encouraging leagues in the area to come and use the On Ice facilities for training and discussed league incentives including: i) sharing a % of revenue from sales, ii) goalie program pricing, iii) team sponsorship or an allowance for training at their facilities, iv) the training facilities (ice surfaces number and area) and instructor ratios, v) their team sponsorship budget, vi) shooting clinics for teams, vii) instructor background and viii) monthly ice clinics for participating leagues.

Following this presentation, D. Morrow, formally called the meeting to order at 7:28 pm with a quorum present.

2.0 Items for Approval and Requiring Voting:

- a. Agenda. Motion by M. Legris, seconded by W. Urban to approved the Agenda as amended. Carried unanimously.
- b. Minutes: Motion by J. DiSalvia, seconded by W. Urban that the minutes of Thursday April 9 be approved, as amended. Carried by majority voting. B. Walters abstained.

3.0 Items for Discussion

- a) Refund request. The board discussed a refund request relating to a 2008-09 player and the background to the player playing part of season, offer to play House League, playing elsewhere, grievance, lawyer's correspondence and league refund policy. Motion by J. Hulsman, seconded J. DiSalvia, that the AMHL provide a prorated refund for this player's 2008-09 registration fees. Motion defeated by a majority voting.
- b) Faloneys proposal. D. Morrow discussed an invitation by Faloneys to have AMHL coaches to the restaurant and the restaurant's proposal to fund AMHL activities (share with teams and the league a % of each \$ of revenue generated and identified as being with AMHL).
- c) Timekeepers. D. Brown has raised an issue about timekeepers but in his absence this matter is being deferred to next meeting. B. Walters suggested a clinic be held for timekeepers.
- d) AMHL tournament. C. DeLuca discussed the proposed AMHL Christmas hockey tournament (and noted that there are fewer AE tournaments at Christmas) and the required \$300 application fee for tournaments with the OMHA. Motion by M. Legris that the AMHL approve paying \$300 to the OMHA for the Application fee for the Christmas 2009 tournament for AA and AE rep teams from Novice to Bantam, seconded by J. Hulsman, carried unanimously.
- e) Rep tryout/coach selection. G. McGuire reported and reviewed with the board the AMHL Manual of Ops policy for tryouts and discussed some players attending

the last 3 scheduled tryouts while others attend only the last tryout. G. McGuire also discussed having rep tryout sweaters and increasing the tryout fee to \$60 or \$75.

- f) Registrar position. Discussion deferred. B. Walters noted that he is working with the Registrar and Ice Scheduler to account for the AMHL ice time among: IP, House League and Rep teams.
- g) Dinner & Dance. W. Urban reported to the board on revenue from ticket sales, drink sales and the auction as well as the expenses for Marquis Gardens, advertising, band and drinks. The net revenue to AMHL from the first year of this event was \$519.
- h) Board vacancies. M. Legris reported on the current vacancies on the board as well as those positions (currently filled) that are open for election at this year's AGM (odd year positions).
- i) AGM. The board was advised the 2009 AGM is scheduled for June 4, 2009 at 7pm in the upstairs meeting room Lions Club (Jerseyville Road, Ancaster).
- j) Minor Bantam AE team. J. DiSalvia reported back to the board (as requested in the previous meeting minutes) on a second Minor Bantam AE team that is to be coached by J. Alpaugh. J. DiSalvia noted this 5 member committee (of the AMHL) reviewing the second team met on Tuesday April 28 and agreed to move forward with a second Bantam AE team (mixed, not Minor team), and discussed further that: i) this team would play in another division (not Bowen), ii) this may help with the stronger players (players would not be in House League, and House League would lose a Bantam team as a result), iii) checking clinics may be held and help some of these players, and iv) this would be for 1 year (to be reviewed annually). The committee's report was received. Motion by J. DiSalvia that the board receive and approves the committee report to have a Bantam AE II team for 2009-10 to play in a division other than Bowen, seconded by D. Morrow. Carried by majority voting. J. Hulsman abstained.

4.0 Reports

No reports.

5.0 New Business. J. Hulsman reported that he is waiting for a response from the NHL office in New Jersey, for approval of team logos in sublimation on Rep jerseys. If this is no approval of sublimation, then jerseys will have an embroidered crest.

6.0 Next meeting – AGM on Thursday June 4, 2009 at 7:00 PM.

7.0 Adjournment – Motion to adjourn by D. Morrow, seconded by W. Urban. Carried unanimously.