

Stoney Creek Minor Hockey Association

Minutes of Monthly Meeting  
Wednesday May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2004  
Valley Park Arena Meeting Room

**Attendance:** Anna Chiarelli, Sonya Podrebarac, Dave Harrington, Julie Volpini, Michael Szumilas, Mike Hogg, Michelle Foley, Frank Mercuri, Terry Gudgeon, Paul Moriarity, Dianne Skirving, Bob Reichert, Cameron Curran, Diane Dell

**Regrets:** Elizabeth Taylor

**Minutes:** Diane Dell

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The meeting commenced at 7:05pm

President's Remarks

Dianne urged Directors to adopt a policy wherein if there is a concern with another Director, or you want to ask questions regarding a Directorship, to pick up the phone and call that particular Director. If you are uncomfortable with this procedure, the next step is to bring your concerns to the next Board Meeting. Also, Dianne would like to have everyone's seasonal plans (Committee Members, target dates etc.) by our next meeting, which is June 9<sup>th</sup>.

Review of May 6<sup>th</sup> Minutes – Approved by Anna, seconded by Paul.

Old Business:

Frank contacted Simon Gill regarding tender for jerseys, and will be accepting tender from others as well.

Mike Hogg will provide the Board members with the email from John Bianchi. Terry spoke with John and he indicated that he would not be seeking legal advice.

Cam read a letter from the parent of a released player from one of the Rep teams. She is concerned that proper procedures weren't followed – Cam, Mike and Paul will be contacting the coach for follow-up. Cam will also be in touch with the parent, to try and explain the situation. Dave raised a concern regarding the tryout policies not including the criteria regarding how many mandatory tryouts had to be made – he feels this may have made a difference with some of the players that made this team. Dianne acknowledged that we missed this, and it will be rectified for next year.

Paul left the room and discussion was heard regarding his request to be granted the Peewee AA team for next year, in order to have enough time to properly prepare, fundraise and organize a trip to Florida, for 2005 March tournament. Michelle Foley reported that there was 100% parental support (this is the team her son is on, and she was in attendance at the meeting). Dave was concerned that players trying out for next year may be out of luck, as Paul may not make changes next year. Diane Dell assured the Board that knowing Paul well as a coach (he coached two of her sons over the last 3 years), that Paul is there to win, and he would take new players next year if he felt they would benefit the team. The parents of this year's team are aware that if there were any changes, they would receive 1/17<sup>th</sup> of whatever the amount of fundraising was for the previous year. Diane Dell also pointed out that when a Coach receives a team for a first year, traditionally they will get it for a second, provided there are no concerns/written complaints. Steve Nagy's team did an away tournament last year and the trip was hugely successful. Anna made a motion to approve Paul's request, seconded by Frank. **CARRIED**

Dianne will be ordering Curran-King for all Board members.

## [Secretary's Report](#)

Nothing to report at this meeting.

## [Treasurer's Report](#)

Bob passed out cheque requisitions to the Board, and will give out current cheques, once Dianne Skirving and Diane Dell go to the Bank and sign the papers. Bob will be issuing some refunds to the AAA's. Bob thoroughly went over the year-end, for the benefit of our newer Board Members. Two GIC's have been purchased – one for \$55,000.00 (replicates our surplus) and one for \$50,000.00 (reserved funds), and will be buying more GIC's with registration money. There is one rep surcharge cheque left to be collected, and all select ice is now paid in full. Mike will provide Bob with an inventory list for the auditors. Try-out fees have basically covered the cost of "On-Line" Registration. Diane Dell will pick up office supplies for Directors that need things – just email her your requests.

A motion was made to have the \$55,000.00 GIC stay in place until the Board approves cashing it.

Moved by Bob, seconded by Mike. **CARRIED**

Lastly, Bob reminded Board members that what is discussed at the Board Level, must stay among the Directors. Information shouldn't be discussed until the minutes are published on our website.

## [Committee Reports:](#)

### [Marketing](#)

Future stars have contacted Anna regarding committing to a 3 year contract – they will sponsor 1 Houseleague Team, 1 Rep Team, provide free coaches pictures, sponsor plaques, and will provide individual and team photo for \$10.00 – Anna indicated she was happy working with them last year. Discussion was held regarding if we as a Board, can approve a contract for three years, if there would be a "release" clause. Mike encouraged Anna to get some additional quotes – so far the quotes Anna has received are not as good. The Bulldogs have offered to sponsor a team, and has asked SCMHA to purchase season tickets for an adult and child. They would provide us with jerseys, hats, shirts etc to raffle off for fundraisers. We would be looking at buying 2 adult and 2 children's season tickets if the Bulldogs could offer a package to SCMHA. Tim Horton's will sponsor 12 teams again this season.

Anna is still looking for 9 sponsors for Rep and Select teams. Sponsors have been contacting Anna regarding our Appreciation Event for the upcoming year – Anna will give them more notice this year in anticipation of a better turn out. Chandelier Place has offered to sponsor a team this year and give us a discount on food, if we hold our Volunteer Appreciation there. Dianne suggested having our AGM and Volunteer Appreciation together this year. Flowers by Dianne could contribute \$300.00 towards a team, and would decorate Chandelier Place with another \$300.00 in decorations. McDonalds would like to do the coupon booklets again this year for \$5.00 each, with \$2.00 going back to McDonalds and \$3.00 going to the Association. Majority of Board felt we should turn down this offer. Sponsors from this year have indicated they would like to see the money used for thank you plaques spend on the kids.

### [Houseleague](#)

Nothing to report at this time

### [Ice Allocation](#)

Nothing to report at this time, Dave will be meeting Saturday with Mike, Terry and Diane Dell to finalize pre-season hours.

### [Registration](#)

Sonya has decided on two dates for walk-in registrations – June 24<sup>th</sup> and July 10<sup>th</sup> at Stoney Creek Arena and is working on recruiting volunteers for them. She is awaiting the final handover of paperwork from Elizabeth, and then will begin her posting.

Sonya will be contacting the newspaper with registration details, as well the phone line will be updated and we will try to get the information on the sign at Valley Park.

### [Fundraising](#)

Julie needs to know who will be attending the Peach Ball ASAP. Julie will secure a 10-seat table. Photos of the renovated food trailer were passed among the Board members.

### [Tournaments](#)

Nothing to report at this time.

### [Rep Operations](#)

Mike reports that Team/Parent meetings are going well, he has attended the majority of meetings, and other Board members have helped out when he wasn't available.

### [Referees and Officials](#)

Nothing to report at this time.

### [Purchasing](#)

Frank reported that there are 9 teams that still need to return goalie equipment and he has made up an inventory list for equipment. Frank and some volunteers he has asked are going to be renovating the equipment room at Stoney Creek Arena – Vince Mercuri will be assisting Frank, he works for the City and can provide access to the Arena when it's convenient for them to get together. Frank does not need any other helpers. Old goalie equipment will be donated. Frank will be ordering jerseys by the end of June at the latest, and will bring tenders to the next Board meeting – the Board declined to have jersey's represent numbers up #35.

### [Technical](#)

Paul is looking at October 1<sup>st</sup> for a coach's clinic for Houseleague coaches as well as any rep coaches that still need it. Paul will be ensuring the HL Coaches have their PRS numbers this year. Paul would like to ask Doug Caldwell to be in charge of the police checks for this year, and Paul wants everyone to have their police check given back to them this year, and done by September 1<sup>st</sup>. Paul's committee will include Cam, Mike, Terry, Frank, Steve Ryan and Tom Giornofilice. Paul, Mike, Frank and Michelle will be taking a course in order to be able to sign off on police checks. Paul indicated he would like to see the interview process changed for next year, also allowing first year Coaches to keep their teams for a second year, barring any written complaints.

### [AAA](#)

Cam and Bob attended the last Jr. Bulldog meeting – there are new Board members this year, and Bob was happy to see that these new Board members are asking questions. It was advised the SCMHA players are signed now – if AAA Coaches call players/parents before contacting the Director of Rep, it could be considered player tampering.

### New Business

Mike would like to buy a site for League Lineup, to allow all teams to have their own websites – Mike will look into this and see what the cost would be.

Dianne asked who would like to attend the OMHA Annual General Meeting – so far; Terry, Elizabeth and Larry, Cam and Darlene, Mike and Diana Hogg, and Sue Lemee have expressed interest.

Motion to adjourn at 10:20pm by Terry, seconded by Mike.