

Stoney Creek Minor Hockey Association

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

March 8, 2006

Attendance: Dianne Skirving, Al Leroux, Sonya Podrebarac, Bob Reichert, Jason Furry, Michael Szumilas, Ania Chiarelli, Julie Volpini, Gary Willis, Diane Dell, Doug Pateman, Michelle Minken

Regrets: Frank Mercuri, Cam Curran, Tom Gioronofelice, Steve Nagy, Michelle Foley

Meeting commenced at 7:42 pm.

PRESIDENT'S OPENING REMARKS

Dianne Skirving advised the board of the OMHA nominations and need to be in by April 14/06. The OMHA General Meeting will be on Saturday, June 10, 2006. Dianne also announced that any changes to the by-laws need to have the form filled out and in by March 15. Dianne & Jason will work on amendments.

Dianne stated that she has Boston Pizza Certificates for Anna to give as awards during the luncheon. The board will vote on the awards in a meeting right after candidates' night on March 20.

Further announcements included Minor Hockey of Canada ***, Bank of Montreal ****, Parade of Champion ****, Hockey Canada Camp on March 18.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

Motion to accept revised February 8, 2006 minutes by Gary Willis. Seconded by Jason Furry. Carried.

TREASURERS REPORT

Al Leroux stated that the 2005-2006 year will end in a surplus between \$50,000 - \$60,000. With the final loss for last year at \$109,000, we have just enough money to pay the costs for this year.

Bob Reichert presented the financial statement from the auditors. Dianne asked Bob why he didn't present this in January as promised in November's General Meeting? Bob stated that he did not have all the information required and the auditors required extra time. Dianne also asked why he didn't warn the board of our financial status in January/February of 2005. Bob reiterated that he did not receive information in time. Sonya also reminded that Bob had the computer problems for several months.

Motion by Bob Reichert to accept the Auditors Financial Statement for the AGM. seconded by Gary Willis. Carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Al Leroux has almost completed the P & L statement for Tournaments.

Al requires information from Bonnie for timekeepers for the end of the year and information from Michelle for the referee's to the end of the year.

MARKETING

Michelle Minken is in the process of getting the plaques for the sponsorships and will be ready shortly.

FUNDRAISING

Julie Volpini stated that the Peach Festival will not have a car to raffle this year and Sue will be picking Miss SCMHA.

PARENT LIASON

XXXXXXXXXXXXX was given 5 dates to choose from for the meeting. Ania has repeatedly emailed & phoned with no response. The issued is considered closed.

Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon all booked and on schedule. Only 24 people replied to date. Ania stated that it was imperative to get the responses in quickly for accurate planning.

Motion to order pens by Michelle Minken. Seconded by Ania. Carried

TECHNICAL

No Report

PURCHASING

Jason Furry reported that the awards are done.

We are under budget on the trophies for the House League championship.

More pucks will have to be ordered for next year.

Four bags of pinnies are in lock up and ready for the tryouts.

Uniforms, Socks etc will be ordered in June with Mr. Uniform

REGISTRATION

Gary has tested the system for on-line registration and confirmed that it works well. One change from last year is on-line registration will accept only credit card payments. All others must submit cheques before they are considered registered.

Registration will be during Championship Day, tryouts and at Valley Park on June 17, July 15 and Aug 19 from 9am to 12 noon.

TOURNAMENTS

Because of the loss incurred during the House League Christmas Tournament and the requests from coaches wanting to go elsewhere for tournaments or remain with family during Christmas break, it was recommended by Al Leroux with Doug Pateman and Dianne Skirving to move or eliminate the tournament. Al Leroux reiterated the financial burden of this tournament. It was also suggested to increase the Select tournament to \$750 and omit the pins in order to push this tournament into positive figures. It was stated that other Select Tournaments range from \$700 to \$850.

Also, it was suggested to move the Don Maxwell tournament from October to Christmas. We would not compete for ice time and we would be able to use the Quad Pad ice during the day.

Motion to accept recommendations of canceling the H.L. Christmas Tournament and to move the Don Maxell to Christmas by Michelle. Seconded by Ania. Carried.

Doug Pateman stated that the P & L is accurate for the H.L. Tournaments.

Michael Szumilas had nothing new to report on Rep Tournaments.

REFERREES & OFFICIALS

Michelle Foley stated that the scheduling of Houseleague Referees needs to be improved for next year.

AAA

Bob Reichert reported that the meeting is tomorrow. Permission to skate form will be ready. SCMHA's 2005-06 Rep Coaches - Paul Moriarity and Randy Roubous both received Hamilton Jr. Bulldogs AAA teams. George Parker received an AAA team in Burlington. Rep Tryouts are April 10th to the 17th.

REP OPERATIONS

Rep Tryouts will be held in April starting on the 17th. Tryout policy changes will be firmed up at the meeting after Meet the Candidates night.

HOUSE LEAGUE

Bob reported that Championship Day planning is going well. Cam will need some help on the day. Please let him know. Refs are currently a problem in M/J division and being looked at. Cam will get in touch with Gary regarding roster changes. Cam has several issues with coaches that he is dealing with, namely, XXXXXXXXXXXX and XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX, in which one has stepped down and not allowed to be on the bench because of comments made to a player.

JR. DEVELOPMENT

No Report

NEW BUSINESS

Email Jason with the office equipment (fax machines, lap top, etc.) that everyone has.

Coaches have asked about XXXXXXXXXXXX and the conflicts with people applying for teams and whether they should be part of the selection process.

The question has been posed as to possible changes in the terms for the HL & Rep Operations director to 2 years. Further discussions will be required.

Question on getting Bull Dog tickets and how to distribute them should be discussed in the future.

Fighting policy in our Houseleague Program has been touched on and concerns were raised on zero tolerance. Too many grey areas are posed and we must be careful on how we proceed on this issue.

Although we do not tolerate fighting, too many penalties might be based on quick decisions by the referees and players may be penalized incorrectly. Further discussion is required.

Michael and Julie proposed and was agreed to provide goodwill parking fees paid up for a players' family, XXXXXXXX, who is ill and are facing financial difficulties. \$400 has been approved.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30PM.