**WDMHA EXECUTIVE MEETING**

**Minutes**

**January 10, 2016**

**ATTENDANCE**: Dwayne Schira, Amanda Armstrong, Perry DePasquale, Alexandra Barber, Bryan Thompson, Shelley Miles, Kerri Emberlin, Donna Tune, Donna Laning, Ryan Elliott, Doug Dwyer

**REGRETS**: Kevin Boudreault, Kristen Bell-Samson

**Approval of Minutes of last meeting**: Minutes from December 13, 2015 First, Ryan - Second, Doug, carried

**Call to Order: 8:41 am**

**Business Arising:**

**-**None

**Reports:**

1. Dwayne Schira, President –

-Received a book that had additional information on harassment and discipline which Dwayne will vet and bring back for our constitution updates.

- Lions meeting attended by Dwayne and Ryan on Tuesday night to talk about WDMHA and talk about impact on the community. Pharmacy downtown would like to sponsor a team and put up a sign.

- There will be a lot of scrambling to get OMHA games in

- Atom Rep jerseys will be replaced this year

- McDonald’s AtoMC jerseys used for LL (Yellow will be kept)

- Tim Horton’s jerseys for Tyke

1. Kevin Boudreault, 1st Vice - ABSENT
2. Bryan Thompson, 2nd Vice –

- Had scheduling meeting before Christmas and went fairly smooth. It is difficult as many of the team’s have the same ice times on Saturdays

- It would be helpful if there were more support or time to ensure that all games are scheduled

- In the spring, suggestions will be brought forward to Inter Town to help reduce the challenges

1. Shelley Miles, 3rd Vice –

- still have not received socks for Midget LL – beginning to hear from parents wanting refund for socks

- giving up practices to fit in games

- 4 out of 5 teams play on Sundays and need to fit in 16 games in 10 weeks – it is very challenging

- Challenge in second half- only 1 hour for Midgets as one of the other times is 10pm and not possible to have teams travel here for a 10pm game. We don’t have anyone in our loop that plays that late.

- Midget LL have done well in Wasaga tournament – 2nd place

1. Alex Barber, Treasurer –

- handed out report and discussed

- still 3 months of referees to pay out and we will be running tight. We may need to dip into Nevada account or GICs but will keep everyone updated. The increase in number of games is having an impact on costs.

- have been trying to work with 1 time keeper to reduce costs

- we will need to increase registration next year to ensure that we have funds to cover escalating costs

- Alex will send Donna T. a list of the sponsors and Donna will begin making the bars

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1. Amanda Anderson, Tournament Director –

- Tyke tournament went very well. Alex will add up expenses so Amanda can do up her report

- Ref fee was $20/hour. On Ryan’s paysheet it is $19 and this will be balanced out

- Bantam/Midget booked all 8 teams in each division are signed up with 5 Midget teams on the waiting list

- Atom/PeeWee is not going well 4 Atom teams and no PeeWee teams. Both of our Atom teams are signed up. How can we get more teams in? Can we make it Novice? – discussion ensued. It is not possible to make the changes for this year.

-Possible for next year is to have a full weekend of Midget.

1. VACANT, Technical Director
2. Donna Laning, Operations –

- sponsorship doing well

Time keeper showing up and putting money in the envelopes for referees has been working

1. Kurt Scott, Risk Management/Speak Out - ABSENT
2. Doug Dwyer, IP/Tyke Convenor –

- used the new boards and doing well with them and they luck the puck board. Positive feedback from the parents as kids actually get to touch the puck.

- Other centres in 6 and 7 year old Tykes will not play with the ½ ice but a meeting later today to talk about IP programs. Ensuring we are calling teams the same names

- IP going well and starting our ½ ice games

- Tyke – going well our tykes are doing well currently in Dunnville and we are top 2 teams for finals

- Tyke select picking up games and paying for any extra ice out of pocket

1. Kristen Bell-Samson, Registrar - ABSENT
2. Shawna Cloet, Special Events

- Pictures are in the office for those who still need them

- 3 sponsor plaques that are wrong and need to be redone

- Second year with this company and we will look at shopping around

- Year end banquet planning and the younger kids look forward to it and need more time. Older teams do not need much time as only a few players attend.

1. Donna Tune, Director of Media/Communication –

- 1 request for sign at Chuli’s the south side letters are very loose and letters slide with wind. Donna will try to add a strip of something in the bottom slot to stop the slippage.

- Website is going well but there are some changes to be made for next year.

1. Kerri Emberlin, Secretary –

- No report

1. Ryan Elliott, Referee in Chief

- puck fridge has been moved and is still full of pucks

- we need to change the temp as a puck broke in half – will look for the dial after meeting

- rep cash for games is working.

- Has been talking with other RICs to see how it is being done and working on a draft proposal to make it more consistent for next season

- website scheduling is great for us to schedule our refs

- discipline issue with younger refs about showing up for games and ensuring communication is happening within the home

1. Jamie Gilbert, Equipment Manager – ABSENT
2. Perry DePasquale, Past President –

-No report

**New Business:**

- Vacant position on executive – should we advertise? (Kerri)

We should advertise for next year and if anyone is interested we can get them going. We need to advertise for new executive and new coaches for rep

Kevin, Jamie, Donna, Amanda, Kristen, Alex, Kurt, Ryan’s positions are up this year. Anyone who is interested in keeping their position will need to complete the form.

- Ontario service awards – years of service (Kerri)

Kerri will submit the nomination form but anyone who knows of coaches/volunteers who have been around for some time – please forward names to Kerri by Friday.

- Date of Next meeting - due to the long weekend we will move the meeting up 1 week

- Bill Tackacs wife does photography and she would like to come take shots and would like permission to do this – all agreed

- Vandenbussche is pushing for a Norfolk AA/A team and it will affect centres in Norfolk. There is still a lot of work to be done before this happens

- There are 3 Championship plaques from Lake Placid but the middle plaque doesn’t have the players names engraved on it and Shelley would like to get it done to be consistent and is willing to have it done. The organization will pay – Motion – Dwayne, second – Shawna, carried.

- We haven’t been having music during games and Dwayne will check on this after the meeting. Ryan has some hockey selection discs that he will donate and the time keepers will play only these discs

- Doug – In preparation for next years’ ice schedule and times we should create a sub-committee to begin looking at numbers timing, rep teams and tryouts etc...

- Shelley – Rep coach selection in April and timing for tryouts should be decided earlier

ACTION- February meeting we will decide on rep tryouts, timing and deadlines

**Next Meeting**: Sunday February 7, 2016

8:30am

**Adjourned:** 10:37am