

May 8, 2007 MDMHA Executive Meeting – Lion's Den 7pm

Those in attendance: Marg McGee, Randy AuCoin, Derek Baker, Andy Horner, Mel Neal

Regrets: Nancy McKie, Nancy Roberts

Absent: Ken Blair, Allan Lakas, Dennes Szilagyi

1. Approval of Agenda

It was moved, seconded and carried to accept the agenda as circulated. (Baker,AuCoin)

2. Approval of Previous Minutes – April 10/07

It was moved, seconded and carried to accept the minutes as circulated. (AuCoin, Baker)

3. Financial Report

Randy AuCoin presented the Income Statement for the period from June 1, 2006 to May 7, 2007. He asked that Executive members turn in any outstanding final bills right away.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the financial statement be accepted as circulated. (Baker, AuCoin)

4. Correspondance

The Executive regretfully accepted the resignation of Nancy Roberts, Gatekeeper/Timekeeper Convener. They are very grateful for Nancy's time given to MDMHA and thank her.

A request from the Westington family was received asking for a release for Reed for the 2007-08 season. The Executive replied stating that no decision could really be made at this time due to not having registration numbers yet. It is the policy of the MDMHA to support having a rep team in each level if at all possible.

5. Business Arising:

5.1 Hockey School & Hockey Skill Development Program:

The Executive is excited about the upcoming season. There will be a Hockey School and a Hockey Skills Development Program. It was moved, seconded and carried that an "out of the box" program be purchased for each level. (Neal, Baker) We also will have the Canadian Hockey Video Series which contains 19 DVDs. It was suggested that a library be set up with these resources and have a volunteer parent coordinate it. Randy submitted a report for a very successful well attended brainstorming meeting he conducted in regards to the Hockey Skills Development Program. It was moved, seconded and carried that Andy go ahead and book ice necessary for the Hockey Skills Development Program preparation. (Neal, Baker)

5.2 Coaches Manuals - tabled

5.3 Process Chart Updates:

Please get any suggestions for the calendar into Marg.

5.4 Next Season:

Andy has booked the ice for next season, which includes 3 extra hours weekly for the Skills Development Program. Some budget planning is needed for the new season. Some clarification on what the registration fees should cover, and what the gate fees should cover will be needed. (ie: which fees cover the insurance, refs, and ice) Some things that the Executive is considering including in the registration fees: socks, home gate fees, and a tournament entry fee.

5.5 Coach Selection: tabled

6. Convener's Reports:

6.1 Public Relations Convener: Banquet:

Derek reported a very successful Banquet this year. Over 275 people attended in two sittings. It was held at the Golden Wheel restaurant Sunday April 15. Ten of the eleven teams were able to attend. (Midget rep team sent their regrets as they were at the Raptor game as their year end event)

Costs breakdown as follows: meals \$2525 (194 @ \$10, 90 @ \$6.50), decorations \$60, t-shirts \$1317.59, Totalling: \$3902.59 (cash collected at the door \$110 for unreserved dinners) Most feedback has been extremely positive. Comments regarding the food was very positive. One improvement that could be made for another time would be to change the chicken balls to chicken fingers for the younger members. This would be easier too for the chef.

The agenda presented by Marg seemed well received with the skills development and hockey school being offered this year. Randy collected even more names offering to volunteer for the programs. The mood seemed to be very upbeat and many coaches expressed their satisfaction with this year and committed to coaching next year.

There were only two negative comments regarding the banquet. Somebody felt that it should be held at the arena and felt that it was too lavish and that any surplus money should be refunded. The other comment was about dividing the day differently so that a parent wouldn't have to stay all day for both the sittings if they had two children in the two age groupings. Derek felt that these complaints were indeed minor, and the fact that the tournaments mainly paid for this event and not the parents it was decided not to act upon these complaints.

Next time rosters will be at the door for check in. This will make knowing who has paid and who needs to buy a ticket much easier and faster. Thanks to Randy for manning the "door".

There is a possibility that 3 sittings could relieve the crowding and reduce the length of sitting time. Numbers will determine this.

Sorting out the t-shirts before the event would have helped prevent some of the rushing around.

The restaurant was happy to have us and overall it was quite a success. Everyone had a good time, had a good meal and the kids enjoyed getting together with teammates one more time.

Lock Box – tabled

No Cameras Signs – tabled

Notice Board at Arena – tabled

Plaques : Derek would like to track down all the plaques and photographs that used to be displayed in the arena

6.2 Referee-in-Chief: Use of Local and Long Distance Refs – tabled

Use of junior refs in time box – tabled

7. New Business:

7.1 Bursaries: tabled

8. Other Business: At this time the Executive had an in-camera meeting.

9. Next Meeting and Adjournment:

Monday June 18 – 7:30 Arena *** NOTE CHANGE OF SCHEDULE ***

It was moved, seconded and carried that the meeting be adjourned at 9:45pm.