

# YELLOWKNIFE MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

### Meeting Minutes

When: 19 February, 2009 @ 7:00 pm

Where: PSAV Room, Multiplex

#### 1.0 INTRODUCTIONS

In Attendance: Kevin McCormick, Kim Schofield, Colleen Zorn, Marlene Nilson, Laurie Bembridge, and Laramie McKerrall

#### 2.0 REVIEW OF AGENDA

**Motion:** To approve agenda as presented

**Moved:** Kim Schofield

**Seconded:** Marlene Nilson

**All in favour**

#### 3.0 REVIEW OF PAST MINUTES

**Motion:** To approve the minutes as presented

**Moved:** Kim Schofield

**Seconded:** Colleen Zorn

**All in favour**

#### 4.0 POLICIES

##### 4.1 Team Travel Permits

A revised application form is currently with Hockey North for approval.

#### 5.0 LEAGUE PROGRAM

##### 5.1 Coach Certifications

It has been difficult to get the instructor for the Initiation Level coaching course to commit to a specific date. Inquiries will be made to see if there are any other local instructors for this course.

The Executive Committee will follow up with Howard McKay to see if he is available to provide a Community Coach course before end of season. Howard has indicated that this course is 8 hours in duration and it could be done in 1 day or 2 evenings.

##### 5.2 Grizzlies Uniform

Kevin will follow up again.

##### 5.3 Haks Uniforms

Denis Alain has discussed the uniforms with Mircad from Hak's Autobody and he was not sure what the concern was with the jerseys. Denis will follow up again with Heidi.

#### 5.4 Seasonal Program for Initiation and Novice

A discussion paper is being prepared and it will be sent out to the parents and coaches in the Initiation and Novice divisions for comments/

#### 5.5 Players Playing Up and Down

Questions have been raised about a couple of recent events:

- 1) Initiation-age players who are registered in Novice but played in the HR Initiation tournament.
- 2) Midget-age player who did not participate in the Association Tournament but went to an Inuvik adult tournament.

The appropriate policy statements will be amended to reflect Hockey Canada rules and Association policies.

#### 5.6 Ice Time during School Break

We need to confirm the year end for each Division and whether they want ice time during and/or after the school break.

#### 5.7 Refund for Midget Players

The Executive Committee agreed that the Midget players would be refunded \$58/player to reflect their reduced allocation of practice ice times.

### 6.0 DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

#### 6.1 On-ice Official Development

It has not been possible to get a firm commitment from the Refs Association. Craig Hockridge will be approached again but may not be able to do anything this year. A discussion will be held with the President of the Referee Association.

#### 6.2 Skater Development Program

There is some concern that there are players participating in the program that have not registered for it through the city.

### 7.0 DEVELOPMENT TEAMS

#### 7.1 Carry-over of Bantam Development Team Funds

The review of accounts is nearly completed.

#### 7.2 Alberta Provincial Competitions

There is general agreement that the Executive Committee should meet with Gary Vivian, Howard McKay and the Development Team Committee to thoroughly discuss this issue.

#### 7.3 Post-season Bantam Tournament

Currently, there are five teams committed to the tournament which will require 30 hours of ice time. The Multiplex is reserved for the following hours:

Friday 27 March: 18:00 hrs - 22:00 hrs  
Saturday 28 March: 08:00 hrs – 22:00 hrs  
Sunday 29 March: 09:00 hrs – 13:00 hrs

YKMHA has minor hockey programs scheduled on the SB arena at the following times:

Friday 27 March:  
Saturday 28 March: 08:00 hrs – 11:30 hrs (11:30 – 13:30 is speed skating) 13:30 hrs – 18:00 hrs  
Sunday 29 March: 09:00 hrs – 15:30 hrs

It will be determined if any of the Divisions plan to use the SB ice time on this weekend.

The Executive Committee agreed that no financial support for the tournament will be provided by the Association.

## 8.0 SPECIAL EVENTS

### 8.1 State of Association Awards

A significant portion of the plaques are now on display. A number of the sponsors of the special awards remain to be contacted and several more plaques need to be inscribed.

### 8.2 Esso Fun Day/ Female Hockey Clinic

A planning guide will be prepared for the event.

### 8.3 Chevy Safe and Fun Day

Awaiting review comments from Laramie and Kim.

Invoice for Hockey Canada has been done and cheque from Yellowknife Motors has been received.

### 8.4 Junior Tournament

The Junior (Initiation, Novice and Atom) tournament is scheduled for 29 Feb. – 01 March.

The Initiation Governor has proposed a set of rules for the Initiation tournament. The Executive Committee agreed that these rules where appropriate for that division and they should be added to the tournament planning guide.

### 8.5 Senior Tournament

Based on our recent experience, it is recommended that:

- We should strive to provide a minimum of four games per team – if ice time is available
- The governors become actively involved in the development of the schedule from an early date
- The DND gym and PSAV room should be booked well in advance for the entire weekend
- Ice which is not used for the tournament be returned to the City as per the City policy
- Tables, chairs and the floor covering must be reserved when booking the DND gym.

### 8.6 Year-end Awards

The annual awards night for Atom-Midget players will tentatively be held on 23 April.

The St Pats high school gym is the preferred location – location and time will need to be confirmed before sending out.

Director of League Programs, Colleen Zorn will follow up with Initiation and Novice governors to schedule the year-end dates for their divisions

## 10.0 ADMINISTRATION

### 10.1 League Schedule

Director of League Programs, Colleen Zorn will confirm the year end for each Division and whether they want ice time during and/or after the school break

### 10.2 Registrar

There is a need to ensure that players register with each program before stepping on the ice. A discussion paper will be prepared for the next Executive Committee meeting.

### 10.3 Hay River Tournament (Bantam Division)

A letter will be sent to the President, Hay River MHA.

## 11.0 FINANCE

### 11.1 Financial Variance Report

We agreed that summaries of the Association finances should be presented to the Executive in the form of a variance report. The appropriate format of the report remains to be determined.

### 11.2 Surplus Operating Funds

At the last meeting, we agreed that any funds in excess of 10% of the past annual operating budget would be earmarked for the “travel fund” – if it is approved by members. What will be the surplus funds for this year?

### 11.3 HNWT Registration

Registration has been completed.

### 11.4 Tax Receipts

This task is being addressed.

## 12.0 SPONSORSHIP AND FUNDRAISING

### 12.1 Oldtimers Tournament

This tournament presents a fundraising opportunity. Announcement will be prepared and posted on the Association website and emailed out to the division Governors.

### 12.2 Annual Lottery

An announcement was put in the newspaper.

## 13.0 ORGANIZATIONAL ISSUES

### 13.1 Helmets for Coaches

A number of coaches are not conforming to the Branch and Association policy. Options for enforcement will be considered at the next meeting.

## 14.0 OTHER BUSINESS

### 14.1 Travel for S&F winners

Kevin will raise this issue with Canadian North in due course.

## 15.0 NEXT MEETINGS

- 1) League Program Committee: 26 February, 2009 – PSAV Room
- 2) Executive Committee: 05 March, 2009- PSAV Room

## 16.0 ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 9:31pm

**Moved:** Marlene Nilson

**Seconded:** Laurie Bembridge

**All in favour**

**Prepared by: Laramie McKerrall**

**Approved: March 5, 2009**