



**Temiskaming Shores Minor Hockey Association
Minutes**

March 8 2011 @ 1900 hours
New Liskeard Old Council Chambers

APPROVED

Attendance: Ruth Shepherdson Steve Polyblank Allan Legros
Mike Kidd Sue Shepherdson Paul Gosselin
Sylvie Bailey Trevor Desrosiers
Richard Beauchamp Kevin Murphy

Regrets: J.P. Pascoli, Cory Siermachesky

Late: Ron Desjardins, Marc Robillard and Wendy Dupuis

1. Call to order by Ruth Shepherdson at 6:58pm
2. **Motion by Paul Gosselin and seconded by Kevin Murphy to adopt the agenda. CARRIED**
3. **Motion by Steve Polyblank and seconded by Trevor Desrosiers to adopt the minutes from Feb. 8/2011 with changes to #8-a substantial profit could be made CARRIED**
4. **Business arising from the minutes-Bingo to be discussed.**
5. **Administrator's report**-The Figure Skating Club has booked our ice from March 21 to April 21/2011. A discussion was held regarding the need to discuss ice time with the town. **Motion by Paul Gosselin and seconded by Trevor Desrosiers that a letter expressing concerns about ice allocation in New Liskeard favouring the NLFSC be sent to Tammy Caldwell and requesting a private meeting with TSMHA representatives and Director Caldwell as well as Timiskaming City Councillor who chairs the Rec. Committee. CARRIED**

Concerns were discussed regarding hosting NOHA's in the Cobalt arena. It was suggested that if the New Liskeard and Haileybury arenas are not available to host NOHA's that NOHA's not be hosted in Temiskaming Shores. Kevin suggested that the financial gains from the NOHA's to the city of Temiskaming Shores should be emphasized at the meeting.
6. **President's Report**-A discussion was held regarding TSMHA car draw.
7. **Lucky 7 Bingo Report/Monster Bingo**-Paul and Sue went to see Laura-Lee McLeod. Sue and Paul researched the calendar and Monster Bingo fundraiser. Paul indicated that TSMHA needs to apply for entitlement. Once eligible we will need to comply with certain rules. Paul indicated that he spoke to Maggie at AGCO. Chapter 2 of AGCO book will need to be read by

all. Paul indicated to Maggie is aware that the TSMHA wants to have the bingo in June/2011. Paul indicated that the application needs to be submitted in the very near future. All appropriate information needs to be provided to Maggie. Laura-Lee indicated that we can also continue with all other fund raisers, the calendar fund raiser and the Monster Bingo. Paul indicated that the format and fee for the Monster Bingo will need to be determined on the application form. **Motion by Sylvie Bailey and seconded by Paul Gosselin that TSMHA proceeds with the Monster Bingo fundraiser application.** CARRIED

Sue Sherpherdson provided information on the calendar fundraiser where draws are drawn daily and purchasers have a chance to win up to 25\$ or more. **Motion by Ron Desjardins and seconded by Wendy Dupuis that the TSMHA accept the calendar fundraiser every second year starting in 2012 Calendar year.** CARRIED

8. **Constitutional Changes/Policies**-Paul recommended that the constitution be amended to reflect that the treasurer is now the administrator and that the number of people sitting on the board be brought down from 15 to 11. A discussion was held regarding the pros and cons of above recommendations. Policies also need to be revised. The NDHL is concerned with parent behaviour and have developed a parent policy. The referees will no longer be responsible for throwing belligerent parents out of the arena. It will be the responsibility of the hosting team. Many things are changing regarding strategies to help with loud parents.

Mike suggested that a deadline date for registration for the girls be enforced so that appropriate team numbers can be set. A discussion was held and it was felt by many that deadlines are difficult to enforce and that teams should be made according to registered players and late registration girls will need to play with the boys in the house league division if there is no available spot on the girl's teams.

Midget C team discussion was held.

9. **Round Table**-Paul indicated that tournament dates should be revised. He also indicated that he would like to see changes to the tournament format. Richard suggested possible extracurricular activity such as basketball, pond hockey or floor hockey or maybe some free coupons for swimming.

A discussion was held regarding TSMHA having their own power skating program. Kevin suggested that a professional be considered to provide a week long power skating program during the summer months.

Mike indicated that kids are getting younger and younger in the tyke program but are unable to skate. Mike wondered if coaches could be trained to provide guidance to children with their skating abilities. Mike indicated that at a recent fund day it was noted that children from Iroquois Falls had well developed skating abilities. The coaches from Iroquois Falls indicated that the children do not have access to pucks or hockey sticks for the first 2 months of the

tyke program. It was suggested that one year of can skate be mandatory for children entering the tyke program.

Ruth indicated that young referee's are lacking in the area. Ruth suggested that 4-5 underage referees be sent to camp and hooked up with older referees for continued training until they are of age to referee.

10. Next Meeting Date-Apr. 12 2011

11. Adjournment Motion by Steve Polyblank and seconded by Wendy Dupuis to adjourn the meeting-Adjournment 2210.