

**Temiskaming Shores Minor Hockey Association
Minutes**

September 27 2011@ 1900 hours
Don Shepherdson's Memorial Arena

Attendance: Allan Legros	Fred Rivet	Christian Lemire
Shelly Dedo	Terry Pedersen	Hugo Rivet
Don Lajoie	Mike Kidd	Trevor Desrosiers
Sylvie Bailey	Dyna McDonald	Cory Siermachesky
Richard Beauchamp	Marc Robillard	

Regrets: Natalie Rivet

Late:

1. Call to order by Allan Legros at 7:07 pm
2. **Motion by Mike Kidd and seconded by Terry Pedersen to adopt the agenda with addition to new business 8.12 Jim Rowe CARRIED**
3. **Motion by Dyna MacDonald and seconded by Terry Pedersen to adopt the minutes from Sept. 13/2011 CARRIED**
4. **Treasurer's/Administrator's report
Registration**

TSMHA has now completed 5 registrations plus numerous late registrations. We have 415 registered players. There were 4 de-registrations. We have some post-dated cheques regarding registrations to accommodate families that needed to defer their payments over time. Late registration fees now apply. We are still getting inquiries as to how people can register. TSMHA encourages families to register on time, so the planning can be smoother such as the purchase of necessary jerseys, sponsors, HCR, size of teams, ice allocation and to ensure players are not disappointed. Fred indicated that the scheduling meeting is on Oct. 4/2011 and teams can no longer be added after this meeting.

Registration Numbers broken down by Team and Category

Total Registered Players: 415 players

Boys Travel Teams

Novice A – Grant Fuels Coach: Trevor Desrosiers (13 Players)

Novice C – Grant Propane Coach: Dwayne Charland (11 Players)

Atom A – Wilson Chevrolet Buick GMC Coach: Don Lajoie (14 Players)

Atom C – Active 1 Source for Sports Coach: David-Sean Rowell (15 Players)

Peewee A – Pedersen Construction Coach: Simon Chartrand (16 Players)

Peewee C – Rotary Coach: Chris Lemire (15 Players)

Bantam A – Ebert Welding Coach: Rick Barron (14 Players)

Bantam C – Miller Paving Northern Coach: Steve Sears (16 Players)

Girls Travel Teams

Peewee B – Temiskaming Vet Services Coach: Corey Siermachesky (13 Players)

Bantam B – Mike's One Stop Coach: Jeff St-Cyr (13 Players)

Tykes

63 players

Boys House League

28 Players remaining – 2 teams

Novice House – Leisure Inn (White) Coach: Chris Hill

Novice House - Scotia Bank – Haileybury (Black) Coach: Willie Olsen

24 Players remaining – 2 teams

Atom House – Tench Insurance (Yellow) Coach: Stephane Devost

Atom House – Mik Mak (White) Coach: Marc Colvin

38 players remaining – 3 teams

Peewee House – Scotiabank – Haileybury (Black) Coach: Sylvain Levesque

Peewee House - Scotiabank – Temagami (Yellow) Coach: Jim Rowe

Peewee House - Scotiabank – New Liskeard (White) Coach: Denis St-George

33 players remaining – 2 teams

Bantam House – Miron Topsoil (Black) Coach: Joe Gilbert

Bantam House – Club Richelieu (Yellow) Coach: Douglas Manners

33 players remaining – 2 teams

Midget House - Lacroix Excavating (Black) Coach: John MacDonald

Midget House – Rooster’s Bar and Grill (White) Coach: Dave Dewar

Girls House League

Novice House Girls – Findlay’s Drug Store Coach: Joel Sharp (16 players)

Atom House Girls – Scotiabank - New Liskeard (White) Coach: Marc Lalonde (14 players)

Peewee House Girls- Canadian Tire (Black) Coach: Overton Robinson (16 Players)

Bantam House Girls- Grant Home Hardware (White) Coach: Lance Males and Mike Reynolds (10 players)

Note: There are peewee girls going to bantam girls to even the numbers and 1 goalie.

Sponsors

We currently have enough sponsors based on the number of teams as of September 27th, 2011.

Financials and Accounting

The transfer for the Midget B Account has been completed and the account was closed. Funds were transferred to the General Account.

Accounts Receivables from 2010-2011

We have contacted all individuals listed on the A/R from last season. Most accounts have been collected from the 2010-2011 season.

Volunteer Cheques 2010-2011

The volunteer cheques were deposited on Sep 1, 2011. Some members have come forward and expressed their dissatisfaction regarding the deposit of cheques. They have indicated that there hours were completed. We are doing our best to try and get as much information before we refund them. Executive members are working on stall dated cheques.

OWHA Registration

Peewee B and Bantam B teams have been registered. Fred indicated that the Atom B girls' team has moved to the Atom house division and therefore the required sponsorship of \$1000 is now \$500. The other 500\$ has been used to sponsor another team. Fred indicated that if another team is added a new sponsor will be needed.

HC Registry (NOHA) – ITsportsnet (OWHA)

Natalie Rivet has completed entering the info on the registrants that we have for the NOHA. She is working on getting the required documents that are missing for some of our members.

Referee Ice time

The 1 hour of ice time that was allocated to new and junior officials has proved to be very beneficial. Our new officials will be hitting the ice with a lot better sense of what is expected of them. Thank you to Paul Allair and other senior officials who donated their time and expertise to start our new officials off on the right foot. Some concerns were identified with the minimal training of new officials. Marc Robillard recommended that the NOHA provide more training for new officials and will add this recommendation on his Summit report.

Fred indicated that the Jersey's have been distributed and some teams will end up having the same coloured jersey's during a game and therefore pinnies will need to be used.

Allan Legros requested that Fred provide the TSMHA with the amount that will be reimbursed from the NOHA due to extra charges during registration.

Fred received 3 fundraising request. One from the Pedersen Peewee for a bottle drive for the first week of January. The second was from the Wilson Atoms/ Grant Fuels Novice teams for a raffle tickets between Oct. 15 and Feb. 17/2012 and the third request came via e-mail from the Novice C team for a raffle ticket with no specific date identified.

Motion by Dyna MacDonald and seconded by Shelley Dedo that TSMHA approves the Pedersen Peewee's bottle drive the first week of Jan 2012 to raise funds for extra ice-time.

CARRIED The request for the raffle ticket approval was postponed until next meeting as the dates for the duration of the sale of these tickets must be modified.

3 Girls will now be playing on the Midget house league boys division as there is no Midget girls' team.

5. **Correspondence/Phone calls-** Fred received correspondence from North Bay regarding participation in tournaments.

-Fred received information for funding for goalie equipment but indicated that this did not apply to TSMHA.

-Shelly Dedo inquired about the funds raised from the Looney table and Fred indicated that the funds raised are deposited in the TSMHA general account.

6. **Business arising from the previous minutes:**

6.1 Cobalt arena-outcome of meeting with Cobalt Town Council-Allan Legros, Cory Siermachesky, Vic Legault and Garry Bigallow did an inspection of the arena. It was in the opinion of Allan and Cory that the arena boards were safe as long as adjustments were made to some of the doors. Fred Burrows is scheduled to also conduct an inspection and provide his professional opinion. TSMHA will continue to hold games and practises at the Cobalt Arena. Fred Burrow's has recommended that any NOHA's not be held in the Cobalt Arena as they are not part of TSMHA.

6.2 Police checks-Allan Legros indicated that he continues to encourage all volunteers to provide the TSMHA with their police check. TSMHA will continue to monitor that all volunteers that are required to have the police check are obtained.

6.3 Coach Mentor-John Zubyck-dates for training-Cory Siermachesky indicated that John Zubyck has a system manual that he would like to present and implement with the coaches of TSMHA. John would like to present these systems to the A and C coaches of TSMHA so players can be introduced at an early age to these systems and promoting continued learning throughout their hockey experience with TSMHA. John plans to have a question and answer session for the coaches at end of October or beginning of November regarding these systems. Mike Kidd requested that the information learned by the A and C coaches be provided to all coaches.

6.4 Photographer/Team pictures-quotes and past work-Hugo reviewed the 2 quotes provided by the Fotoshop and Kpimaging. Photographics declined to provide a quote.

Motion by Mike Kidd and seconded by Terry Pedersen that TSMHA approve the Fotoshop to take the individual and team pictures for the 2011/2012 season. CARRIED

Shelly Dedo will follow up with Keith Peckover regarding action shots during tournaments.

6.5 Educating the public about the officiating program-Currently Marc Robillard, David-Sean Rowell, Don Lajoie and Trevor Desrosiers are completing the report and will be sending it to the NOHA before the deadline date of Sept. 30/2011.

6.6 NOHA-Elite Hockey Review- Currently Marc Robillard, David-Sean Rowell, Don Lajoie and Trevor Desrosiers are completing the report and will be sending it to the NOHA before the deadline date of Sept. 30/2011.

6.7 Registration process for next year-on line registration, spring try outs and registration-Significant issues have been identified with the late player registration and the ability for the administrators to input all the information in time to provide the team rosters before hockey

season starts. Strategies to minimize the workload needed in the fall were discussed. **Motion by Shelley Dedo and seconded by Dyna MacDonald that a late registration fee of \$100.00 will be implemented on all registrations after August 1st, 2012 with the exception of the initiation program.** CARRIED

6.8 Dressing room policy-girls changing with boys-Don Lajoie discussed the girls changing with the boys with the parents of the team and no concerns were raised. Coaches will need to continue discussing this issue with the parents of the team and determine appropriate guidelines with the parents yearly.

6.9 Outdated volunteer cheques-Members who did not volunteer last year have been good to provide TSMHA with new cheques. The Executive members continue to follow up with members.

6.10 Outstanding policies to review-

6.10.1 Team picture policy-Reviewed no changes/.

6.10.2 Arena policy-Allan presented the Parent Arena Policy. **Motion by Sylvie Bailey and seconded by Mike Kidd that the arena policy be accepted with item #2 removed and that Atom be changed to Peewee in item #9.** CARRIED

6.10.3 Ice allocation policy-Deferred

6.10.4 On ice policy-Deferred

6.10.5 Equipment policy-Richard Beauchamp recommended changes to the equipment policy. He recommended that item #1 and #2 be removed, that item # 3 be changed to "Each team will be provided with sweaters, first aid kit, hockey pucks, sweater bag, bottle tray and manager's binder. All coaches/managers must return all sweaters, first aid kit, hockey pucks, sweater bag, bottle tray and managers binder at the end of the season." And that "in the NL equipment room" be replaced by "at the TSMHA office at the Don Shepherdson Memorial Arena" in item #6. **Motion by Dyna MacDonald and seconded by Chris Lemire that TSMHA accept the changes made to the Equipment policy.** CARRIED

6.10.6 Team funding policy-Deferred

6.10.7 Finance policy-Allan Legros presented the finance policy and recommended that item #4 is changed to "The fiscal year will run from May 1 until April 30." And that in item #5 treasurer be replaced by administrator. **Motion by Dyna MacDonald and seconded by Sylvie Bailey that TSMHA accept the changes made to the Finance Policy.** CARRIED

6.10.8 Team refund policy-Deferred

6.10.9 Certification policy-Trevor presented the certification policy and no changes were made.

6.10.10 Dressing room policy-Dyna will continue to work on the dressing room policy and present it at the next meeting.

6.10.11NOHA card policy-Deferred

6.10.12 Tyke fun day policy-Mike reviewed the tyke fun day policy and no changes were made.

6.10.13 Volunteer policy-Deferred

7. Reports of Committees:

7.1 **Initiation report:** The tykes have started their season with nearly all registered players attending this past Saturday morning. Several Jr tyke coaches were not in attendance. Having all registered players email addresses has made contacting everyone much more convenient as contacting 64 players by telephone would be very difficult. Parents have also been able to email myself with questions and I have been able to answer those questions without having to play phone-tag. Several parents have requested that their child start the season directly in Sr tykes before the player has been evaluated. Some have asked for this

because they believe their child is good enough, some because the practice times are more convenient for them, some because their child's friends will be in senior tykes. The TSMHA is committed in evaluating all players and making sure the players are in the appropriate division that best suits their skill level.

The TSMHA plans on carding 24 Sr tyke players as this is what has been done in most years in the past. I have already selected 20 of those players based on last year's abilities. This leaves about 15 kids that are being evaluated for the remaining 4 spots. If, as an executive, we decide to move up the 5-6 Sr tyke girls to form a second novice girls team it would open up 5 more spots in Senior tykes.

Mike Kidd will have all tyke players placed in their appropriate division within the next 2 wks.

8. New Business

8.1 Sponsor-Grant Propane replacing REMAX-Grant propane will be sponsoring the Atom C team.

8.2 Skill session on Sunday evenings-Deferred

8.3 Request for fundraising-all requests to go through Fred and Nat-The TSMHA Executive is reminding everyone to direct all fundraising requests to Nat and Fred Rivet.

8.4 Tyke goalie equipment donation from Tim Horton (4 sets)-\$1700 was donated by Tim Horton's and 4 sets of goalie equipment was purchased for the Initiation program. Brent Gabbani indicated that Tim Horton's has a wish list and application forms can be filled out yearly for equipment need. TSMHA sends their sincere thanks to Brent Gabbani and Tim Horton's for their generous contribution again this season.

8.5 One page add in speaker for sponsors-Allan Legros requested that TSMHA recognize our sponsors and educates the public on who they are. Allan suggested that a one page add with our sponsors be purchased for the speaker. Cory suggested that pictures of all the teams with their sponsor be developed and added as an insert in the speaker. Richard Beauchamp will talk to Allan Roy regarding producing this insert.

8.6 Division Convenors-A discussion was held encouraging Executive members to become more involved. The Executive members identified below will be responsible for the identified portfolios. Please direct any questions to members accordingly.

- Tykes convenor-Mike Kidd
- Girls convenor-Cory Siermachesky
- Rep A convenor-NEOHA Rep-Trevor Desrosiers
- Rep C convenor-NDHL Rep-Chris Lemire
- House league Novice, Atom, Peewee convenor- Allan Legros & Sylvie Bailey
- House league Bantam and Midget Convenor-Marc Robillard
- Fundraising person-Shelly Dedo

8.7 When do we cut off registration-max number of players/team, need to be added to team composition policy-Allan Legros indicated that TSMHA continues to have players registering in the different divisions. Having players registering late in the year makes it difficult to determine how many teams are needed and potentially affects the number of players on a team. TSMHA would like to avoid having too many players on a team. However once the schedule is finalized teams cannot be added. The TSMHA has decided that a cap on the amount of players allowed on a team will be imposed and added to the team composition policy. **Motion by Mike Kidd and seconded by Richard Beauchamp that TSMHA will impose a cap of 14 skaters on Novice and**

Atom House League Teams and 15 skaters on Peewee and Bantam House League teams.

CARRIED

8.8 Novice house team? Need for second Novice team-sponsor, moving tyke players-Allan Legros indicated that there will be 40 kids in Junior tykes. Mike Kidd is suggesting that 5 Senior Tykes girls be moved to a second Novice girls' team as currently TSMHA has a Novice girls' team of 16 girls. Mike would like to make 2 novice girls team to help move boys from the Junior Tyke program to the Senior Tyke program. **Motion by Mike Kidd and seconded by Richard**

Beauchamp that TSMHA approve a second novice girls team for the 2011/12 season. CARRIED

Allan Legros will be responsible to find a new sponsor for this team.

8.9 Accessibility to players bench (Arena policy will be re-enforced)-Allan informed the Executive that the area behind that players bench will be sectioned off.

8.10 Jersey's-Richard Beauchamp suggested that for future jersey purchases, redesigning our logo would be wise as the jerseys currently are not allowing enough room for sponsor bars and the stop sign is too low and should be raised. Putting the "Temiskaming Shores" above Puckhounds instead of the back of the jersey will allow for bigger sponsor bars. Allan indicated that jerseys will need to be purchased yearly to ensure replenishing of jerseys on a regular basis.

8.11 Free passes for Cubs games for players attending the tournament-assign Executive member-There has been a suggestion to give free passes to players registered in our local tournaments; passes will require that the player is accompanied by an adult paid admission to the Cubs game. The Cubs Executive has approved this request. Dyna indicated that the tickets are currently being printed.

8.12 Jim Rowe-Jim Rowe was present at the beginning of our meeting to request that ice time be reconsidered for the Peewee boys House teams. Jim indicated that 28 players would be on the ice at the same time and Jim requested that TSMHA reconsider the Peewee boys House League teams to be allocated their own ice time for practises. Jim indicated that likely parents will be expecting their own ice time as Peewee teams were allocated their own ice time in the past. Jim indicated that the draft went well over the weekend. A discussion was held with the Executive Members after Jim Rowe's departure regarding ice availability and allocation of ice time. Allan indicated that he spoke with Sylvain Levesque and Denis St-George regarding sharing practise time and that this was not a concern of theirs. **Motion by Hugo Rivet and seconded Marc Robillard that TSMHA provide the 3 Peewee house league teams with their own practise hour per week throughout the year.** DENIED

9. Next meeting Oct. 18/2011

Motion by Hugo Rivet and seconded by Don Lajoie to adjourn the meeting 2210.

Written by
Sylvie Bailey
Secretary