

**Temiskaming Shores Minor Hockey Association
Minutes**

August 9 2011 @ 1900 hours
New Liskeard Old Council Chambers

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

Regrets:

Late: Trevor Desrosiers

1. Call to order by Allan Legros at 7:01pm
2. **Motion by Chris Lemire and seconded by Don Lajoie to adopt the agenda with addition to New Business 8.4 Invoice for Goalie Equipment, 8.5 Dates for training with Rick Barron and 8.6 Fundraiser with the Montreal Canadians. CARRIED**
3. **Motion by Terry Pedersen and seconded by Marc Robillard to adopt the minutes from July 19/2011 CARRIED**
4. **Treasurer's/Administrator's report**

Registration

Our first 3 registrations are complete. We have registered a total of 208 players.

A promotional video "Take the Challenge" encouraging hockey players to get involved in officiating the game of hockey is available and will be displayed at the next registration to possibly attract new officials to the game, which would be beneficial for TSMHA.

Nevada Fundraising

Fred and Nat Rivet met with Laura-Lee MacLeod. She indicated that TSMHA had an outstanding report that had yet to be completed and filled with the city. Fred and Nat Rivet have collected the funds from Mike's One Stop and are waiting on bank statements to complete the report.

Fred and Nat will also be filling a new application, so that TSMHA does not lose their spot in the Nevada rotation.

Financials and Accounting

The spread sheet for the general account, licensed fundraising, and Nevada accounts have been made. Fred and Nat Rivet are entering information on the spread sheet as transactions are occurring to ensure accurate tracking of balances.

A huge thank you goes out to Heather Brazeau for helping with this task.

The transfer for the Midget B Account is in the works. We have located the signing authorities and will get things switched to the TSMHA general account once signing authorities have been changed.

Volunteer Refunds (2010-2011 season)

As per our last executive meeting, it was decided that all remaining volunteer cheques from the 2010-2011 season will be deposited on September 1, 2011.

Volunteer sign-up sheet

The forms are now made and will be going on the website shortly. People are required to sign up and work their hours to void their volunteer deposit. If TSMHA does not have enough volunteers signed up, Fred and Nat Rivet will e-mail the managers from the teams hosting the tournaments, and have them ask their parents to fill the remaining blocks. This is a pilot project and it will be revised at the end of the season. All members are encouraged to provide feedback to the Executive Members.

All members have until December 31, 2011 to register for their volunteer hours. Those who have not registered by this date, their volunteer cheques will be deposited.

The number of hours required are: 1 child – 4 hours of volunteer time

2 children – 6 hours of volunteer time

3 children – 8 hours of volunteer time

Motion by Mike Kidd and seconded by Chris Lemire that the volunteer hours for all members be filled as follows: 1child=4 hours, 2 children=6hours and 3 children=8hours. CARRIED

Insurance

Cory Siermachesky had a chance to inquire about the non-monetary claims insurance policy and indicated that 143 other association do purchase this type of insurance and have used it. Cory also indicated that the TSMHA have been purchasing this type of insurance for several years. All

members of the Executive felt that TSMHA should continue to purchase this type of insurance at this time.

OWHA Registration

Glen Corneil has sent Fred and Nat Rivet an e-mail detailing the procedure for registering players into the OWHA system. Fred and Nat Rivet still need to meet with Cory Siermachesky to finalize the number of house and travel girl's teams and send in the registration. Fred and Nat are in contact with the registrar of the OWHA to get the proper passwords set up. Registration deadline for provincial bonds is August 31st, 2011.

HC Registry - Webinar Training

Shelly Dedo and Allan Legros have received training regarding the HC registration. Fred and Nat Rivet will receive training sometime in August through the NOHA.

Accounts Receivables from 2010-2011

Nat and Fred Rivet have contacted the majority of the people that are on the list. The collections are moving along, with some that have come and paid and others that will be at registration to clear their accounts.

For those that have outstanding balances, the players will not be allowed to register until all outstanding monies owed have been paid in full. We are willing to work with these individuals to come to a resolution i.e. (payment plans, post-dated cheques etc.)

Information Board

The information board has been completed at the New Liskeard Arena. Fred and Nat Rivet invite people to bring forward any information they would like posted.

Weekly practice schedule and ice allocations.

Nat and Fred Rivet have made a tentative schedule for the month of September. Fred Rivet and Allan Legros will be meeting with Tammy Caldwell to discuss TSMHA ice allocations for the season and other concerns.

The Haileybury arena will be up and running by Sept. 12/2011.

NOHA Summit

Administrator's Report NOHA SUMMIT Aug. 5 to 7, 2011

*Friday Aug. 5, 2011
Session #1 – Associations Futures*

Philip McKee – OHF

Talked about the structure of Hockey Canada and how the province of Ontario is unique within that structure with all the different branches and the province of Ontario (HDCO).

Categories of volunteers

Super Volunteer

No choice volunteer

Weekend Warrior volunteer

I am here but only have one hour

Gave some suggestions on how to attract and keep volunteers. The same key words came up. We must approach and ask people to get involved.

Sandra Harpe and Matt Cavaliere – Sault Major

Touched on some of the different strategies that Sault Major uses. One thing is to cooperate between associations instead of competing. If they have something that works they share with others and also people volunteer from other associations, when it comes to big events.

Successes:

Able to work with other associations

Bring back past members

Students and past players

Parents, families and friends,

Have the right people in the proper roles

Job descriptions

Adrien Vanhemmen and Bob Crystal – Oshawa Minor Hockey

Probably the most interesting talk of the evening. They have a few different ideas. They seem to be the “role model” association of the OHF. At registration they have code of conduct letters for parents, players and volunteers to sign. They implemented a bunch of different manuals and rules and regulations. All their info is available on their website at: www.oshawahockey.com

They use surveys, hockey is a business and find out what your customer wants.

They broke down the roles of all people within the organization, from parents, players, managers, executives, referees, volunteers, and mentors.

Kathryn Marynuk – Ten Rainbows Children's Foundation

Nothing to report, not pertinent to hockey.

To summarize, probably the most important thing that come out of that session is that we need to ask these volunteers to get involved. Recruitment and once we have those volunteers, retention.

Saturday, August 6th, 2011
Session #2 – Officials

Glen Campbell – NOHA

What has the NOHA done to improve?

Supervision, videos, referee school, NOHA program of Excellence for officials (Under 17)

The video “Take the Challenge”

I have a copy of the video and will present at registration nights.

Ken Miller – OHL Referee in Chief

Challenges of an Official in Northern Ontario?

Challenges:

Small towns

Young officials attend same schools as players

Senior officials work within the community

Geography weather and traveling

What can we do as an Association to improve officiating?

Have a liaison between officials and the association.

Mentor officials

Provide on-ice training

Equal opportunities for games

Educate our coaches, parents and fans on the need for officials

Implement a “Big Brother (Big Sister)” program

Paul Carson – Why officials leave the game?

He had a number of stats which was long at times. The most interesting info out of this is that the number one reason people leave the game of officiating is not because of abuse, but rather because of family and other commitments. (IE: kids start to play hockey)

Abuse is still very much a factor and should not be overlooked, but not the main reason why officials are leaving the game.

David-Sean Rowell will communicate with Cory Siermachesky on the mentoring program.

Stephen Walkom – NHL Official (He officiated Game 7 of the Stanley Cup Final)

Referees come to the rink to serve the game. This is their role. When they are out they are part of a team.

He is a “believer” in the 2 referee system. He even talked about a 2 referee and 1

linesman system. The referees call the penalties and the linesman drops the puck in all 4 corners.

When using a 2 man system, and have both officials where the arm bands it is tougher for coaches to influence both officials. Any official can call a penalty anywhere on the ice. This was the most interesting speaker of the day. He related to a lot of personal experiences that he has lived through.

Session #3 – Athlete Pathways

Paul Carson – Hockey Canada

LTPD (Lon Term Player Development)

Shortcomings of our youth system:

- Over competing and under training
- Adult programs imposed on children
- Preparation geared to short term outcomes
- Competition interferes with athlete development
- Program integration and alignment
- Early specialization is demanded

Importance of the LTPD model:

- Ensures physical literacy
- Integrates sports at all levels
- Optimize competition structure
- Optimizes training, competition and recovery
- Promotes lifelong physical activity

Donald McKee – OHF

Coach Certification and Coach Mentor ship

Not a lot of notes on his presentation. He mostly talked about the coaching program and the importance of every association to have a coach mentor to help other coaches within the association.

Bob Stevenson – OMHA

Continuing education for coaches

He talked about a refresher program that the OMHA has started within their branch. There coaches now get their coaches cards and never have to go back and upgrade. The OMHA has started a refresher program. (I have a copy of the OMHA refresher program). Every 3 years coaches have to go for a 4 hour refresher. If they do not go, they also have the option of attending different functions (specialty clinics, coaching summit, Roger Nielsen coach's day, etc...) and they will earn credits. They must earn x numbers of credits within the 3 years to be able to renew their coaches card. If coaches do not upgrade, then they will lose they right to be able to coach in the OMHA. This promotes upgrading for all coaches in the OMHA.

Session #4 – Keynote Speakers and Open Panel/Hot Stove Session.

Scott Smith, Chief Operating Officer – Hockey Canada

Excellent speaker, the hot topic was hockey without borders. This seems to be a very

controversial topic. He has opinions on the matter and people in the room also had theirs.

Mike Foligno, Assistant Coach – Anaheim Ducks

Excellent speaker-the 2 gentleman above where definitely the highlights of the summit.

Session #5 – Summit De-Briefing

All information that was presented throughout the weekend will be available on the NOHA website including videos. The Summit was truly a very worthwhile experience.

Recommendations for our association:

- 1. Hold specialty clinics for our coaches, let's help educate and train our coaches to become better coaches.**
- 2. Recruiting of officials by going to our Bantam and Midget teams. Showing these teams the "Take the Challenge" video and encouraging our youth to get involved in officiating.**
- 3. Recruiting of officials at our local colleges. Posters and billboards encouraging people to get involved.**
- 4. "Ask" people to come and get involved in our local minor hockey association. There are a number of past players/volunteers that have the expertise and time to help to insure the success of our association.**
- 5. Share and communicate with other associations our successes and short comings. We all have lots to learn from the hockey people around us.**

Manager's Packages

Manager's binders are being made at this time and will be ready for the 2011-2012 hockey season. If there is any information that the executive members would like to see added to the manager's packages, please forward to puckhounds@tsmha.ca

- 5. Correspondence/Phone calls-**Fred indicated that Cobalt is willing to put the ice on Sept 1/2011 if TSMHA is willing to commit. TSMHA will not be able to commit until Sept. 26/2011. Recommendations to update and make repairs to the cobalt arena have been made verbally. Fred and Nat Rivet will talk to Fred Burrows to provide recommendations to the Cobalt arena in writing as it has been recommended by the NOHA that tournaments not be held in this arena.

Al Roy has contacted Fred and Nat Rivet to recommend a markup on the clothing line. **Motion by Marc Robillard and seconded by Richard Beauchamp that TSMHA will collect a profit of 20% on all Puckhounds' merchandise sold by Temiskaming Printing. CARRIED**

No correspondence has been received.

Fred and Nat Rivet left the meeting.

6. Business arising from the previous minutes:

- 6.1 Goalie Clinic results-Richard Beauchamp indicated that Daniel Coutu is moving his goalie camp to New Liskeard. The goalie clinic was a great success. Allan Legros indicated that he will liaise with the City of Temiskaming shores to look at decreasing ice time cost for the clinic to minimize cost.
- 6.2 TSMHA office, computer, mail boxes and drop off box-All-Richard Beauchamp indicated that the door has been painted and Allan Legros indicated that Monique will try to have the logo painted by the end of next week. Cory Siermachesky and Richard Beauchamp plan to clean out the TSMHA office on Friday August 12/2011 at 6:30pm and invite the executive members to attend. A discussion was held regarding banners and what banners should be kept and destroyed.
- 6.3 "Shinny Hockey" update-Cory Siermachesky indicated that everything is in place for the "shinny hockey" on Sept. 3, 4, 6, 7 and 8 2011.
- 6.4 Rooster's Midget Team payment update-Cory Siermachesky continues to collect from parents who have not paid.
- 6.5 NDHL update-Richard Beauchamp and Chris Lemire will provide an update after their next meeting in August/2011
- 6.6 NEOHA AGM in Timmins-Trevor Desrosiers and Don Lajoie indicated that there was minimal information to report except that Scott Baron is now the NEOHA administrator.
- 6.7 Sponsors-All-All plaques and sponsorship letters have been delivered. Allan Legros revised that list of sponsors and most sponsors were on board for the 2011-12 hockey season.
- 6.8 Coaching Summit report-See above report
- 6.9 Police checks-Dyna McDonald indicated that she spoke with the NOHA, who indicated that the police checks are supposed to be good for 4 years. The NOHA is sending packages regarding information on police checks. Allan Legros will request formal documentation from the NOHA with police check expectations for Minor Hockey Associations.
- 6.10 Medals and Awards-list of ideas and price lists-Dyna McDonald provided a package with information on medals and prizes. **Motion by Hugo Rivet and seconded by Cory Siermachesky that TSMHA order medals for winners and second place winners and that dog tags be ordered for player of the game. TSMHA will order a 2 year supply for both medals and dog tags. CARRIED**
- 6.11 Executive volunteers for tournaments-to be discussed after NEOHA schedule
- 6.12 Hockey stick fundraiser-Chris-deferred

7. Reports of Committees: None

8. New Business

- 8.1 Administrator cell phone-Allan-A discussion was held regarding the need to provide the administrators with a Blackberry. **Motion by Dyna McDonald and seconded by Chris Lemire that TSMHA will supply the administrator with a cell phone for work related purposes. This will cost TSMHA approximately 60\$/month. CARRIED** Hugo Rivet will look after purchasing the phone.
- 8.2 Tournaments dates and team involvement-Allan and Dyna-Dyna indicated that she would be present at all tournaments except for the last tournament. At least one Executive Member will be present at all TSMHA tournaments.

- 8.3 Review Policies-The skate up policy was reviewed with all Executive members present during the meeting. Changes were made to #1 "the highest" was added after play on and "offered by TSMHA" was added after representative team. In #2 coach mentor was replaced by "Executive Committee". In #3 top 3 (three) forwards was replaced by" top 6 (six)" forwards and top 2 (two) defensemen was replaced by "top 3 (three)" and a starting goalie was removed. In #4 coaching mentor was replaced by "Executive Committee". Item #6 was completely removed and in #11 2010-11 was replaced by "2011-12" season. **Motion by Trevor Desrosiers and seconded by Terry Pedersen that TSMHA accept the changes made to the skate up policy.** CARRIED. The team composition policy was deferred to be reviewed at the next meeting.
- 8.4 Invoice for Goalie Equipment: Richard Beauchamp indicated that the goalie equipment that was purchased a few weeks ago did not include a body armor. Richard requested that the TSMHA purchase a body armor to complete the set already purchased. **Motion by Don Lajoie and seconded by Mike Kidd that TSMHA purchase a goalie body armor at a price of \$122.76.** CARRIED
- 8.5 Dates for Training with Rick Barron: A discussion was held regarding the possibility of having an on ice coaching clinic with Rick Barron. Further discussion to occur regarding cost, time, involvement etc.
- 8.6 Fundraiser with the Montreal Canadiens-Allan received an e-mail regarding the Montreal Canadiens Alumnus tour 2012/New Liskeard-Haileybury. Allan indicated that he would provide the rest of the executive with the information. Allan reviewed the e-mail. A discussion was held and further discussion will occur at the next meeting.

9. Next meeting August 23/2011 at 7pm

**Motion by Trevor Desrosiers and seconded by Dyna McDonald to adjourn the meeting
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Written by
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Secretary