

**Temiskaming Shores Minor Hockey Association
Minutes**

**January 17@ 1900 hours
New Liskeard Old Council Chambers**

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

Regrets: Hugo Rivet, Natalie Rivet

Late: Don Lajoie, Trevor Desrosiers

1. *Call to order by Allan Legros at 7:06 pm*
2. ***Motion by Cory Siermachesky and seconded by Terry Pedersen to adopt the agenda with changes to the date in #3 from Nov. 22/2011 to Dec. 13/2011 and addition to New Business 8.4 NDHL update. CARRIED***
3. ***Motion by Richard Beauchamp and seconded by Marc Robillard to adopt the minutes from December 13 2011. CARRIED***
4. ***Treasurer's/Administrator's report: Administrators/ Treasurer Report for January 17 2012.***

Meeting with Tammy Caldwell – City of Temiskaming Shores (Jan 16th, 2012)

Allan Legros and Fred Rivet met with Tammy Caldwell to discuss different topics:

- Rate increase for arena users. An increase of \$2.00 per hour is proposed for next year, with an increase of 2% per year for the following 2 years. This will be brought to council at a further date.

- *Arena Concessions. A discussion took place regarding the possibility of TSMHA leasing the concessions and vending equipment from the city. TSMHA is currently exploring the possibility. A discussion was held with the Executive members; Fred Rivet recommended that a committee be formed to review the pros and cons of TSMHA leasing the concessions at the arenas. Fred suggested that questions such as HST, liability insurance, WSIB be explored. Iroquois Falls Minor Hockey does run the concessions and get the profits from their canteen. Further inquiries with this association may be explored. Allan indicated that the City of Temiskaming Shore is looking at budget cuts and are questioning the benefits of having the canteens open. A presentation from Bob (who use to manage the concessions) will be organized for the Executive members.*
- *July ice will likely not be put in for the month of July as the City of Temiskaming Shores saves approx. \$8000. It does not affect TSMHA but does certainly affect members. Fred presented a proposed schedule for Try outs and shinny hockey in August and the beginning of Sept/2012. It sounds like the City of Temiskaming Shores will be able to accommodate this schedule. Fred indicated that 94 teams will be coming to the Temiskaming Shores area during our tournaments. Allan Legros and Fred Rivet will be attending a Recreation committee meeting in Mid-February to make the City aware of the revenue TSMHA brings back to the City of Temiskaming Shores. Allan Legros and Fred Rivet to attend users meeting on Feb. 12/2012 to discuss concerns with increase to ice fees, closure of the New Liskeard arena for July and August and Arena concession hours.*
- *Frog's Breath Application. TSMHA needs a sponsor for the Frog's Breath application and have asked the City of Temiskaming Shores to be the sponsor. The reason for the sponsor is that we do not have a charitable organization number. A letter was sent to the mayor and council asking for their support. The City of Temiskaming Shores approved our request to accept donations on our behalf.*

Volunteers

109 volunteers have not yet signed up for their volunteer hours. Emails will be sent out to the members to inquire if they would like to volunteer before their volunteer cheque is cashed at the end of the month. TSMHA is encouraging all members to sign up and work for the association. We need volunteers to work our tournaments and NOHA Tournament of Champions

Car draw tickets need to be returned by January 31/2012

Tournaments

There are still some open spots for executive members to sign up for tournaments. Executive members are to look at their schedule and commit to a weekend.

(As of January 15th, 2012)

Novice HL (8 teams), Atom HL (9 teams)–Schedule has been sent and approved. A Chariots of Fire competition has been organized to promote our tournaments and make them more appealing.

The Peewee A/AA has been cancelled. Peewee B/C (6 teams) Peewee HL (7 teams) -Schedule is ready to be sent, trying to find 1 more house league team.

Midget Rep (9 teams) Midget HL (12 teams)-Currently working on schedule

In the Midget Rep division, we had a team from Nickel City Major Midget AA that had signed up. We had to refuse their entry into the tournament, as Dyna McDonald and Fred Rivet felt that they would be too strong for the caliber of teams that had registered.

Fall Try Outs

Please see proposed schedule. We are currently working with Tammy Caldwell regarding ice availability for August.

NOHA Tournament of Champions

The committee and chairpersons are hard at work making sure that these events are very well organized. They are currently working on budgets and will present these to us at our next meeting scheduled for February 7th at 6:00pm. They are sure to represent our association very well.

NOHA and OWHA Team Recategorization

We have had teams recategorized for the OWHA:

Peewee B to Peewee A

Atom HL to Atom B

Our Bantam B girls have applied to move up to the BB division. They have been approved to go to the Bantam BB division.

Puckhounds Pucks

The pucks have been ordered and will be received soon.

CORRESPONDANCE / MEMBERSHIP CONCERNS

Email from Sylvain Levesque regarding Peewee HL having to pay for their own practice ice. The item is on the agenda for this meeting and will be discussed by executive.

5. Correspondence/phone calls-See administrator report

6. Business arising from the previous minutes:

6.1 Outstanding policies to be reviewed

6.1.1 Ice allocation policy-Deferred-Cory indicated that the draft that was sent out is getting close to being finalized. Financial consideration continues to be revised and possible increases in fees for registration will need to be considered to cover ice time. Fred presented the amount of hours that are spent outside of Temiskaming Shores and what is allocated. TSMHA is hoping to have more allocated ice time hours next season.

TSMHA continues to want to manage all ice allocations to ensure that all ice time is distributed fairly amongst the teams.

6.1.2 Team refund policy-Shelly Dedo-deferred

6.4 Jersey's/letter requesting donations/addresses-Allan Legros informed the group that he has started a list of businesses with addresses. He indicated that the letters requesting donations will start to be distributed accordingly. He indicated that an e-mail will be sent out to the Executive Members to add to the list of businesses that may contribute to the jersey fund. Mike Kidd indicated that the NOHA currently has a promotion with Atomic regarding jerseys. Mike will follow up and find out more information. Allan Legros indicated that he is hoping to have 2 sets of Jerseys for all the TSMHA teams. Allan is also encouraging individual members to contribute to the jersey fund. He hopes to have a paper thermometer available at the arenas updating the amount donated. TSMHA would like to acknowledge all members that contribute to the jersey fund and Chris Lemire suggested that plaques (Gold, Silver, Bronze) could be hung at the New Liskeard and Haileybury arena.

The reebok socks were discussed and some members felt that the socks were no more durable than the wool socks. Further discussion regarding benefit and cost will need to occur.

6.3 Frog's Breath application-Allan Legros indicated that he will be applying for the maximum donation available from Frog's Breath.

6.4 August try outs-Allan indicated that we are planning on having tryouts on August 27/2012 through to the week after the long weekend of Sept/2012. Everyone was good with suggested dates.

*6.5 Coaches' selection for 2012-13 season-All-Mike suggested that all coaches' applications be in by Friday May 18/2011 so that the Next Executive Board Members after the AGM have all the information available to make the selection. **Motion by Marc Robillard and seconded by Don Lajoie that TSMHA set a date of May 18/2012 for the deadline for coaching applications for the 2012-2013 season. CARRIED***

6.6 Executive members to complete sign-up sheet for remainder of tournaments.

6.7 NOHA tournament of Champions update (meeting Jan. 10/2012)-See administrator's report.

7 Reports of Committees: Trevor Desrosiers indicated that he had a conference call with the NEOHA. He indicated that an issue was brought up by South Porcupine as the Bantam boys did not show up at a regular team game without notice and therefore South Porcupine still needed to pay for the cost of those games. South Porcupine would like to be compensated for the money or at least try to reschedule the games. Trevor will direct South Porcupine to communicate with the manager of the Bantam boys' team to reschedule.

8 New Business

8.1 Shiny hockey-Allan Legros indicated that Shiny hockey will again be organized for the 2012/2013 season. Shiny hockey will be scheduled on August 25 & 26/2012.

8.2 Peewee funded practices/Scotiabank-Allan Legros indicated that Scotiabank has donated an extra 500\$. A discussion was held regarding how the money should be distributed. Allan Legros indicated that 5 teams are sponsored by Scotiabank. It was suggested that the 500\$ be separated among the 5 teams. **Motion by Trevor Desrosiers and seconded by Chris Lemire that TSMHA divide the Scotiabank donation amongst the 5 Scotiabank teams. CARRIED**

8.3 Peewee house conflict- Allan Legros indicated that there was a conflict between 2 parents and 2 players. Allan indicated that there was a meeting on Jan. 16/2012 with the parents and the coaches. Allan Legros and Cory Siermachesky will attend any games these players and parents are taking part of and if any further conflicts are noted the parents will be removed from the arena and the players will be removed from the ice should the intent to injure be noted on the ice.

8.4 Update from NDHL meeting-Chris indicated that the NDHL and the City of North Bay are seriously looking at vandalism and behavior in the arena. Chris indicated an incident occurred with a player who was ejected from the game and was being harassed by the parents he threw his helmet and almost hit a staff member. Staff member reported it. City of North Bay threw the child out of all facilities in North Bay. The city is hoping that Minor hockey will support the "no tolerance" for those behaviors.

Next meeting February 21 2012

***Motion by Terry Pedersen and seconded by Shelly Dedo to adjourn the meeting
8:58pm.***

*Written by
Sylvie Bailey
Secretary*