

TSMHA Minutes
February 24 2014@ 1830 hours
New Liskeard Old Council Chambers

Attendance: Marc Robillard Julie Chartrand Trevor Desrosiers
 Hugo Rivet Mairead O`Shea Kelly O`Reilly
 Sylvie Bailey Lisa Taylor Richard MacDonald
 Nancy Presseault Allan Legros

Regrets: Don Lajoie, Dyna MacDonald, Johnny Daviau

Late:

1. Call to order by Hugo Rivet at 6:35pm
2. **Motion by Marc Robillard and seconded by Lisa Taylor to adopt the agenda with an addition to New Business 8.8 City donation-CARRIED**
3. **Motion by Marc Robillard and seconded by Lisa Taylor to accept the Minutes from January 20 2014-CARRIED.**
4. *Treasurer's/Administrator's report:*

OWHA

Policies still need to be worked on.

TOURNAMENT REVENUES/EXPENSES

A discussion was held regarding the decrease in the number of teams participating in our local tournaments. Hugo Rivet indicated that there has been a decrease across the North. He indicated that North Bay and Sudbury are going to Southern tournaments and Southern teams do not wish to come to the North. Allan Legros suggested that the Association focus on attempting to attract girl's teams or house league tournament in order keep our tournaments profitable.

NOHA

TSMHA is hosting the Novice A, Novice C and Peewee C NOHA's as well as the Bantam A NOHA's the following weekend.

TYKE DAY

The Tyke fun day has been scheduled for March 8/2014. TSMHA will be using the donation from Scotia bank as well as other sponsors to assist with the cost of this day. The Tyke fun day will be a 3 on 3 format with 12 teams participating.

Annual Meeting

The TSMHA annual meeting has been scheduled for May 21/2014 upstairs in the Haileybury arena.

Registration Dates

To be discussed at the next meeting.

Bring a Friend to Hockey

Bring a Friend to hockey day will be offered to the Novice and Atom players as well as the Pee wee girl's teams in an attempt to promote/introduce new players to that game of hockey. Saturday, March 29/2014 has been scheduled for this event.

Mairead O'Shea indicated that she has applied for the Super Sport gift certificates from Source for Sports.

Mairead O'Shea indicated that Mike Larocque has requested that a coach's clinic be offered in April/2014. Mairead indicated that she would speak with Fred Burrows to request such a clinic from the NOHA in the Temiskaming Shores area.

Mairead O'Shea indicated that currently our area does not have a council director and she asked if the Board members had any nominations. Richard MacDonald indicated that he sent a list.

Mairead O'Shea also indicated that she would nominate Fred Burrows on behalf of the Association for a volunteer award.

A discussion was held regarding extra ice bookings for practises for a team that will be going to a tournament. Teams need to utilise the money in their account for extra ice bookings-TSMHA does not pay for any extra practises.

5. Correspondence/Phone calls-

An email was received from a South Porcupine parent concerning an issue after a game with our Bantam C team. Hugo Rivet to follow-up.

NOHA - Mairead O'Shea indicated that a vacancy for Third Vice at the NOHA is open and she would like to nominate Fred Burrows-All were in agreement.

Tench Insurance-A renewal of \$2000.00 for insurance for the content of our TSMHA office in the New Liskeard Arena has been sent. There was possibility that Insurance through the Town would cover the contents of our office. Mairead O'Shea will follow-up with Tench Insurance.

6. Business arising from the previous minutes:

6.1 Follow-up with Temiskaming Printing re: Mairead O'Shea to continue to follow-up with Al Roy.

6.2 C Coaches selections process format- Kelly O'Reilly indicated that it's not just the C coaching selection that needs to be discussed but the coaching selection as a whole. Kelly would like to use the evaluation more seriously to select our coaches. Kelly would also like to see a list of names and that all the applicants have an interview-a face to face with the Executive. Hugo Rivet indicated that all have to realize that the process may take a little longer. Hugo indicated that he would like to see a policy regarding the coaching selection and he and Kelly will develop a policy and present it at our next meeting.

6.2 Sponsorship acknowledgement-Hugo Rivet indicated that the acknowledgement presents will soon be available to give to our Sponsors who donated for the purchase of our new jerseys.

6.3 Mid-season and end of year evaluations-Hugo Rivet indicated that evaluations have been sent out for the end of the year and many are coming back with feedback. Kelly O'Reilly indicated that she would like to look at mid-season evaluations to be able to provide feedback to coaches in an attempt to help coaches work on things they may need to improve. Some members felt that 2 evaluations may be too much and

possibly deter coaches to volunteer. However others thought this may be beneficial in improving the season. Kelly O'Reilly indicated that she would call other associations to see how they proceed with evaluations for suggestions on how to help improve their coaches.

7. Reports of Committees:

Kelly O'Reilly is taking a lead role with Mairead O'Shea for the NOHA's for the Novice A, Novice C and Peewee C teams. Kelly indicated that there are 4 Novice A teams, 6 Novice C teams and 7 Peewee teams. Kelly is requesting assistance from the Executive to assist with this tournament. She also would like to thank the City of Temiskaming Shores for donating the use of the upstairs of the Haileybury arena for the weekend.

Equipment Report: Richard MacDonald finally received the jerseys that have been missing. He also would like to remind the members that the Association will be starting to look at getting our jerseys back as the end of the season is fast approaching.

Richard also indicated that the Novice and Bantam championship went very well. He would like to thank Sylvie Leduc and Greg Kennedy for their support during the NDHL play downs.

8. New Business

8.1 Affiliation form-Marc Robillard suggested that the TSMHA have an affiliation form for parents to sign as there was an incident where a player was affiliated to two teams and the parent was not aware. It is very important for managers to ensure that a player is affiliated with only one team. Marc Robillard indicated that a signature from the parent would ensure that the parent is aware and that the player not be affiliated for 2 teams.

8.2 Atom C girls in Huntsville-Marc Robillard indicated that there was an incident with the Atom C girls where a schedule had been posted on line and 10 parents and 13 to 14 players went to Huntsville to find their section of the tournament had been cancelled. Mairead O'Shea and Trina Breault have sent a letter to the OWHA with expenses incurred by the parents and currently they are waiting for a response from the OWHA.

8.3 Novice ``travel``-Hugo Rivet indicated that Brian Johnston provided him with an e-mail regarding suggestions for next year regarding the development of Novice players. Hugo indicated that Brian suggested that instead of having a Travel A and C level to have 2 teams of equal caliber that would practice together. Hugo Rivet also indicated that he brought John Zubyck to the meeting to provide some insight regarding the development of Novice players. Allan Legros wondered if the Novice format should be changed at a regular board meeting or at the AGM. John Zubyck provided some information on the changes to the Tyke program this year. He indicated that the program is geared to skill development for all players. John indicated that Hockey Canada has researched and provided some suggestion on how to best develop the Novice program. John indicated that Hockey Canada suggests that Novice level players play 3 on 3 until December. John indicated that he would like to create a better program to develop more kids. John suggests 6 stations geared to developing specific skills, separating players in groups with similar abilities. He feels this would help retain players in older age groups as they would develop similar to their peers and feel less inferior. John feels changes are needed so that the Association can develop as many players as possible. Allan Legros suggested that a program be developed for implementation. John felt that the Hockey Canada program was ideal for development. Richard MacDonald indicated that the Tyke program has started to use this sort of program and has been successful. Kelly O'Reilly indicated that education for parents will be necessary to pursue this concept. Allan Legros reminded the group to consider the need to continue to develop elite players. Marc Robillard inquired if the NDHL was on board with including our travel teams. Trevor Desrosiers indicated that in Quebec the players do not play any tournaments until Atom age group. Richard MacDonald indicated that Quebec minor hockey follows the Hockey Canada program specifically in the Novice age group. Marc Robillard inquired if other communities are agreeable to follow this program and if a schedule could be integrated with outside

communities. Richard MacDonald indicated that Englehart and Iroquois falls may be declaring house league status and therefore may be willing to follow such a program. Allan Legros indicated that our Novice A in Temiskaming Shores have always been strong. Trevor Desrosiers suggested that we keep a Novice A program and implement the hockey Canada program with house league and C team players. Mairead O`Shea indicated that the Tyke program initiated this program and the kids have developed very well this year.

- 8.4 Registration dates and fees-Mairead O`Shea indicated that dates and fees need to be discussed for registration. It was decided that this would be discussed further at our next meeting.
- 8.5 Annual meeting date-Mairead O`Shea indicated that a date was needed for our AGM meeting. It was decided that the meeting date would be May 21/2014.
- 8.6 Bring a friend to hockey-Mairead O`Shea indicated that bring a friend to hockey day will be March 29/2014.
- 8.7 Atom/Peewee girls bring a friend to practice-see 8.6
- 8.8 City donation-Kelly O`Reilly indicated that the City of Temiskaming Shores has donated the use of the upstairs of the Haileybury Arena for the NOHA`s hosted by TSMHA.
9. Next meeting March 24/2014 at 6:30pm at the New Liskeard Old Council Chambers.

Motion by Richard MacDonald and seconded by Julie Chartrand to adjourn the meeting 8:54pm.

Written by
Sylvie Bailey
Secretary