

TSMHA Minutes July 31, 2017 @ 6:30 p.m - Kreigers Auto

Attendance: James T. Paterson, Billie Richer, Natalie Popkie, Mike Larocque, Dave Medland, Tim Sloggett, Melissa Major, Mike Stinkowji, Pierre Rivard, Derek Shillinglaw.

Regrets: Lisa Taylor, Richard McDonald, Simon Rivard

By Phone: Nancy Pressault.

1. Call to order by James at 6:31pm.
 2. Adoption of the agenda for May 29, 2017 by Mike Larocque and seconded by Pierre Rivard as revised.
 3. Acceptance of the Minutes of June 19, by Tim Sloggett and seconded by Billie Richer, with revision of spelling of GEOFF WALKER in report, and of attendance of TIM SLOGGETT (present) at that meeting.
 4. Treasurer's/Administrators report – Lisa has reconciled accounts up to end of June. “In good shape”. ; Letter of Credit has been fulfilled – Car Draw tickets are printed now. Sponsorship is looking very good for upcoming year thus far. Trevor registered 3rd PW House lg team. Auto renew of GIC will be set – costs 4600 to complete, BNS providing a \$300 donation to help off-set costs. Rate factor is 2% of total in costs. Registration: On-pace for over 400 registrants again this year. Transgender Training courses must be completed. Takes roughly 1.5hrs to complete both in total.
 5. Correspondence/Phone Calls – CHASE Paymentech conversation with James regarding reduction of costs associated with use of Credit Card / Debt machine. Hockey Canada Skills Camp is STILL interested in providing a skills camp on Sunday, September 17th, 2017. TSMHA has blocked-off the ice-time for that date. Further information to follow. PHOTOGRAPHIX protocol for picture-day to change, facilitate easier transitions and attendance for the scheduled photo shoots.
 6. Business arising from previous minutes:
 - Season assignments updates - Mike Larocque addressed the changes.
 - Policies to be updated: Affiliation policy has been discussed in length about different concerns, different ages, and different levels. Mike reworded the policy and brought in for approval: House league can only use affiliate players when game-day roster numbers are less than 10 skaters. Prior to each game, house teams must obtain permission from the Board of Exec. Noted that OWHA doesn't adhere to same affiliation limits as NOHA/OHF.
- MOTION - Moved by Mike Stinkowji, seconded by Mike Larocque:**
TO ACCEPT THE AFFILIATION POLICY AS-REVISED TO INCLUDE HOUSE LEAGUE PROTOCOL CHANGES. RESULT: **carried**.
- Hockey Canada registration policy – no changes required at TSMHA level.
 - New Jerseys – Derek received correspondence regarding new jerseys. General sentiment is to plan ahead for this purchase by replacing from largest sized first, working way down through the divisions accordingly. Derek obtaining quote for our information and planning purposes, stating we're not in position to purchase at the moment.
 - Modified Fun Day – Richard added this to the agenda, will wait until he is present to discuss, likely at next meeting.
 - Online Registration – discussion pushed for foreseeable future. Can be removed from future agendas.
 - Tyke Fun Day – waiting until NOHA notifies of ice allocations, jerseys to be order within the next 2wks for this event

- Novice House League and NDHL - Richard added this to the agenda, will wait until he is present to discuss, likely at next meeting.

- Tournaments – fees, medal quotes, prize ideas, fundraising/team expectations:

Decision made to purchase water bottles from Active 1 Source for Sports

MOTION: Moved by Derek Shillinglaw, seconded by Nat Popkie: to accept water bottles quote from Active 1 Source for Sports as prizes for TSMHA at \$1.50 per unit, as presented by Billie Richer. Additional discussion – Tim Sloggett’s stick wax was VERY well received last year and would be welcomed this year as prizes, too. FUNDRAISING – 50/50 was uniformly accepted as a solid, reliable fundraiser from game to game, tournament to tournament. Tournament convenor should help keep that initiative going in-tournament. Trevor also brought up viability of LOONIE TABLE. 1 team or person needs to administer that table from start to finish however. Billie also suggested a raffle draw prize of significance be donated by the host team and raffled. Worked well, but was only completed a few times over past seasons. Multiple teams involved in our tournaments need to be better organized and scheduled throughout the weekend to maximize effectiveness.

Reports of Committees – none

New Business

8.1 – NEW JERSEYS – discussed earlier. FIRST AID SUPPLIES – Derek given approval to refill the First Aid containers as-needed for the upcoming season. PINNIES – Mike Stinkowji received prices for team-sets of pinnies. Roughly \$250 per set. \$265 tax incl Deemed necessary for tryouts, etc.

MOTION: Put forth by Mike Stinkowji, seconded by Derek Shillinglaw:

TSMHA AGREES TO PURCHASE 1 SET (18) OF 1-COLOURED TRYOUT PINNIES AT TOTAL EXPENSE OF \$265. RESULT: **CARRIED**.

8.2 – TSMHA Tryout policy. Requested by Nancy to be included in this conversation – at this point, board meeting contacted Nancy Pressault by phone. Nancy referred back to her message as-sent via email earlier in the week. Policy change objection is about equal opportunity for all TSMHA players to tryout for all available TSMHA teams. In past, policy was not followed – tryout schedules had been posted against our tryout policy. Mike L stated girls rep tryout should be after the A-team, and before the C-team. More time for Boys C team coach selections and subsequent tryout preparation; more time for girls’ teams to be roster approved by OWHA and sanctions approved for Boys’ loop play (previous years have seen girls teams playing unsanctioned games, potentially causing issues); cited fact that other girls’ teams throughout province are selected in Spring, thus we are behind them in-comparison; only 2 age-groups are affected in Girls hockey – Atom and Pee Wee (body contact in Bantam and Midget seem to deter female involvement – that calibre of female player in past has gone to other associations to play higher level girls hockey instead). Nancy cited that every other member of the association has the opportunity to try out for the team they choose, but that this schedule doesn’t permit girls the same opportunity. That most boys’ teams do not want 1 player on 2 teams – that they want dedication to their team. That ultimately the decision where to play should be on her and her ability and her family, not having it made on their behalf by the association. Issue of gender equality in the association brought up by Melissa Major. Item of viability of spring tryouts being conducted brought up by James Paterson. Admin Trevor Desrosiers stated he’d brought up

Spring Tryouts 2x in past years, both being “shot down” at those points. Trevor also cited length of time to register OWHA team (3wk+) vs NOHA teams. Also stated ice-time availability dictates TSMHA schedule availability. That this process province-wide is constructed for those Assoc’s who hold spring tryouts. Mike Larocque withdrew the policy reconsideration at this point, to be discussed later.

TIM SLOGGETT MOTIONED, SECONDED BY MIKE LAROCQUE:

TO PROCEED WITH THE AS-POSTED TRYOUT SCHEDULE ON A ONE-YEAR BASIS, AND TO BE RE-EXAMINED IN THE FUTURE, AT THE CONCLUSION OF THIS TRYOUT SCHEDULE, PRIOR TO THE NEXT SEASON’S TRYOUT SCHEDULE.

MOTION: CARRIED.

8.3 Tournament Policy – revision of as-posted changes to rates for TSMHA-hosted entry fees. Mike L to amend policy to coincide with that which is posted on the website; will present at next meeting.

8.4 – Initiation Subsidy – Mike S referenced the NOHA IP subsidy. Has inquired about getting as much credit / subsidy as possible for our association. Is communicating with Jason Marchand et al @ NOHA. Question of what to purchase with the residual subsidy. Application for 2 min-nets and “ring-ettes” to be completed by Mike Stinkowji

8.5 – Novice Girls Coach – Craig Brown application accepted. Motion by Mike Larocque, seconded by James Paterson – “to select Craig Brown as Novice Girls coach for the upcoming season.” CARRIED.

8.6 – Goalie Refund - was to be clarified by Trevor Desrosiers. Will be discussed at future meeting due to departure of Trevor Desrosiers at 8:19pm.

8.7 – Novice A and Bantam A requests. Trevor submitted requesting additional out-of-town tournament attendance approval. Pierre inquiring with Quebec League re: classification / possibility of TSMHA hosted tournament for their league.

“Motion to allow Novice A team to apply and play in 1 additional out-of-town tournament”
Motioned by Mike Stinkowji and Seconded by Mike Larocque. CARRIED.

“Motion to allow Bantam A team to apply and play in 1 additional out-of-town tournament”
Motioned by Mike Stinkowji, seconded by Pierre Rivard. CARRIED.

**Between 8.4 and 8.5: Tim Sloggett brought up need for additional team sponsorships required. Photographix willing to sponsor a house league / lower sponsorship cost team. Wabi will not be sponsoring team this year. Lacroix Excavating is up in air due to change in ownership.

Next meeting: Sept 5, 6:30 pm at ESCSM, New Liskeard. Motion by Billie Richer, and seconded by Nat Popkie to adjourn the meeting at 8:44 p.m. Written by: James T. Paterson, TSMHA President.