



**Temiskaming Shores Minor Hockey Association
Minutes**

APPROVED

Sept. 22/09@ 1900 hours
New Liskeard Old Council Chambers

Attendance: Ron Desjardins Allan Legros Steve Polyblank
Trevor Desrosiers Ruth Shepherdson Cory Siermachesky
Sue Shepherdson Wendy Dupuis Esther Miller
Sylvie Bailey Kevin Murphy Paul Gosselin
Richard MacDonald Dan Patterson

Regrets: JP Pascoli

Late: Steve Polyblank

1a. Call to Order-by Ruth Shepherdson.

A. Steve Sears-request to address the Executive-Did not attend the meeting.

B. Michael Finney- Indicated that the Scotiabank is the official bank of the NHL-Michael indicated that Haileybury has been selected to have the Stanley Cup brought to their town. Michael recommended that the executive members visit Scotiahockey.com. Michael indicated that Scotiabank wants Minor Hockey to participate fully in this event. He indicated that a big media release is scheduled for Oct. 1/09. The Stanley Cup is scheduled to be at the Scotiabank in Haileybury on Dec. 12/09 from 10 am to 2 pm. Two teams will be chosen to be Honour Guards for the RCMP who will walk the cup into the Scotiabank. A discussion with the town of Haileybury has occurred to allow for closure of the main street in the hopes to have a big road hockey game to show how Northern Ontario is involved with hockey. The Scotiabank wants to have as many kids as possible involved with this event and requested the support of TSMHA.

1. Motion by Richard MacDonald and seconded by Cory Siermachesky to adopt the agenda.

CARRIED

2. Motion by Wendy Dupuis and seconded by Al Legros to adopt the minutes from Sept. 8/09

CARRIED

3. Business arising from the minutes

8. NOHA-Richard MacDonald requested that the affiliation choice be re-visited as information provided by the NOHA was misunderstood. It was indicated that the need to declare our affiliation choice was to be done prior to Oct.15/09.

Motion by Richard MacDonald and seconded by Cory Siermachesky that the TSMHA Executive re-adopt the 19 at large affiliation policy as we have done in the past. It was noted during the meeting that teams can keep adding affiliation players until Jan.18/09.

4. Correspondence-

A. Foto Shop-A discussion was held regarding tenders for team pictures during the year.

Motion by Wendy Dupuis and seconded by Kevin Murphy that Joanne's Photography take action shots at tournaments and that the Foto Shop do team pictures for the 2009/2010 season.

B. Sear's Letter-Withdrawn by Dr. Sears-indicated that the issues were resolved.

C. Motion by Paul seconded by Esther that we move in camera.

Motion by Paul to remove from in camera.

D. Dan, Richard, Ron and Al will meet with Sue to finalize regular season ice times.

5. Media- as circulated-see attached report

6. Registration-as presented -367 kids have registered with TSMHA. Possible ice time was discussed. There is 4 hrs of ice time available in Haileybury at 7am.

7. Web Site- as circulated-see attached report. –Richard MacDonald had a chance to check if the NOHA has put the TSMHA website link on their Website. Our website is linked to the NOHA website-try www.noha.on.ca and follow the links, scroll down to our association and it will bring you to us.

8. NOHA- Affiliation Choice

A. To be re-visited: Re-adopting the 19 at large affiliation policy.

9. Skate Up Policy-Paul Gosselin re-presented the skate up policy with suggestions and recommendations made by the executive members. The policy draft will be sent to the executive via e-mail with the changes and further comments and recommendations will be accepted at which time the policy draft will be revisited at next meeting to be discussed and possibly voted on.

10. New Business

A. Questions from circulated reports

B. House league-not much to report other than house league begins this weekend and Al and Ron will be busy getting started.

C. Abuse & Harassment-Nothing to report

D. NDHL Scheduling meeting is on Sept. 20/09 in North Bay.

11. Unfinished Business

- A. Meals for Under 17 Challenge-** Esther consulted with a Registered Dietician. Esther also consulted with the Public Health Inspector who suggested that high risks foods be prepared in a Health Inspected Kitchen and by trained food handlers. Request for quotes have gone out regarding the cooking of high risk foods. Esther needs feedback on the menu. Ruth had concerned with the need to notify the caterer as soon as possible as the event is scheduled for Dec/09 during busy catering times. No plastics are to be used. Glass plates, glasses and cutlery to be used only.
- B. Goalie Clinic-** Steve would be willing to meet with coaches and discuss what is advantageous for their goalies. No dates have been set up or provided to Steve. Other options will be investigated. Kevin will check with Rick Barron if he is willing to provide a higher level coaches clinic.
- C. Tournaments-web site-**will be posted on the web site.
- D. Audit-no reply-**Ruth will follow up
- E. Banners-**
- F. Seventh Skater-**Sylvie Bailey spoke with Claude, who indicated that the Seventh Skater was discussed at the Cubs Executive meeting. He indicated that the Cubs executive did not feel that the children were in danger but he indicated that he would be calling the NOHA to ensure that the children are covered should something happen. He also indicated that 2 options were discussed. One was that the child could warm up with the Cubs and once the players start to shoot the pucks around that the child stands on the side out of the way. Two-That 2 children are responsible to skate around the ice twice with Cub flags than stand with the flags during the National Anthem, than once it is over the 2 children skate off the ice. Claude also talked about the child's name being announced on the radio the Wednesday prior to the game. Claude will let Sylvie Bailey know when a decision has been made.
- G. Dr. Logan addition for First Aid Kits-**Esther will follow-up with Dr. Logan regarding inserts for concussions for First Aid Kits and whether or not he would like to talk to the TSMHA Executive.
- H. Mrs. Ouellette** has requested a release for her 2 boys to tryout with the C travel team in Englehart. The request has been granted.

- 12. Girl's-as circulation-**See attached report- The girls teams are 1 novice house team (14 players), 2 Atom (one house (10 players 1 goalie) and one travel (10 players 1 goalie), 1 PeeWee house (14 players 1 goalie), 1 Bantam House (11 players 1 goalie), 1 Midget house (need to get further girls registered currently 7 players and 1 goalie)
-A discussion was held regarding coaches on the girls and house league team. The coaches selecting committee will be interviewing all coaches for girls and house league teams to determine who will be the coaches.

- 13 Tournament report-**See attached report-as circulated.

14 NEOHA Report: Summary of NEOHA Executive meeting held in Timmins, Saturday September 12th, 2009

- 1.) Appointment of Steve Vachon as Secretary for the NEOHA. Mr. Vachon is also on the Board of Directors for Timmins Minor Hockey.
- 2.) Stephan Madore Treasurer: invoices to various minor hockey associations will be sent out after September 19th.

Cost breakdowns per team as follows:

Grand Finale cost:	\$500.00
League administrator cost	\$100.00
League expense cost	\$ 25.00

Total \$625.00 * league expense costs include hall rentals, conference calls, ink jet cartridges etc.

- 3.) Flooding of ice to occur only after each game. A five minute break is allowed between the second and third period. Time keeper to post on clock immediately after the end of the second period. Grande Finale will have a flood between second and third period for Atoms, Peewees and Bantams
- 4.) Website for NEOHA is www.neo-hockey.com A new sponsor is needed to cover approximate \$200.00 annual cost. A number of potential candidates are available and will be contacted.
- 5.) Three penalty and game ejection motion rejected. Three stick infractions and ejection as per NOHA rules applies.
- 6.) Due to lack of teams, there will be no midget division

Summary of coaches meeting held in Timmins September 19th, 2009

No coaches from Temiskaming Shores were in attendance. NEOHA rep from Temiskaming Shores acted on their behalf.

- 1) Coaches and / or representatives received coaches packages for respective teams. Coaches to fill out availability forms and send to administrator by September 19th to facilitate scheduling.
- 2) A total of 37 teams committed to play in NEOHA for 2009-10 season.
- 3) Each division opted for unbalanced schedule with each team playing each other at least once. Ice availability and travel will be considered in drawing up the schedule.
- 4) Mercy rule still in effect. Greater than 7 goal lead anytime in the third period - straight time.
- 5) Concern over ice conditions at Bantam level after 2nd period voiced. Executive will review this concern at next executive meeting.

6) League play begins after Thanksgiving weekend. Executive to accept schedule by October 1st and schedules will be given to coaches by October 3rd. (put at the end of the meeting)

7) Paul Gosselin expressed his concern on approved motion for O/T during NOHA sanction TSMHA tournaments. Tournament rules and regulations had already been submitted and approved by NOHA. Paul expressed concern on the newly approved format regarding costs to TSMHA as well as the time factor involved. Paul objected to the approved motion.

15. Next Meeting Date- Oct. 6/09 7pm Council Chambers

16. Moved by Steve Polyblank to adjourn the meeting-Adjournment 2100.

Media Report – Sept. 22/09

1. Jack Morin, CJTT, and Steve Laroque, Temiskaming Speaker, received the information for the NOHA Clinics and Referee's Course.
2. There are no open dates on Jack Morin's 7:30 radio show until Oct. 15th.
3. Puckhound Bytes for this week consists of reminders for the up coming clinics.

T.S.M.H.A. Tournament Report – September 21, 2009

- All tournaments are sanctioned and posted on the NOHA website. Our TSMHA Website has the details for the October Novice, Atom tournament. JP has the application forms online.
There are 3 Novice and 4 Atom applications
- Novice and Atom house league inquiries are slow but teams are still being made.
- Bantam has 2 teams processing application.
- Pee Wee has no inquiries.
- Midget has 2 travel and 4 house league inquiries.
- As well Cory will be adding a girls group to our Novice/Atom House League and the Bantam Travel/House League tournaments.

Respectfully

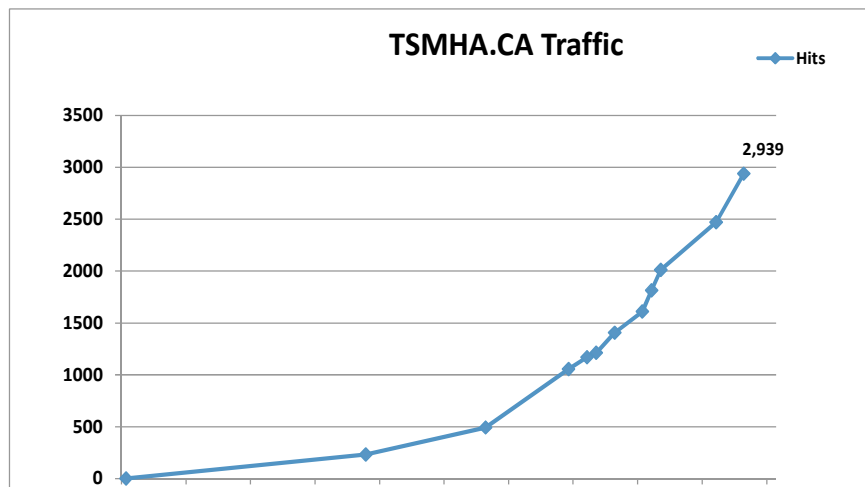
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Website Administrator's Report for September 22nd 2009 Meeting

1. Update

- Additions:
 - August 25th 2009 minutes
 - Application forms and letters for tournaments
 - NOHA clinic dates & other information
 - Constitution section and actual constitution
- Statistics
 - Site visitors to date: 2,939 (as of Sep. 19th)



- Executive members registered to date: **14** (of 15).
- Public members registered to date: **1**
- Top 5 most popular pages/links: (as of Sep. 19th)
 - Division & Team Information
 - Tournaments
 - Meeting Minutes
 - Executive
 - Coach's Corner
- NDHL site remains to be updated. 2nd request made.
- Handled approximately 12 emails to site
- Developed Media and Information Consent Form for all guardians of players to sign.

2. Next Steps

- Letter to team managers about available functionality for teams.
- Additions
 - Setup rep teams and coaches on site.
 - Policies – need files.

End of report.

Girls report for September 22, 2009

1. Tournament dates for the girl's division have been set. We are waiting for the tournament permit from the OWHA.

Novice and atom house-Nov 27-29

Atom C, Bantam house, peewee house Jan 29-31

2. Have made a decision for our Atom girls. The girls have been split into two equal teams and they will be plying locally in the atom boys house league. For girl's tournaments, there will be a "C" team and a house team. This team has to be finalized by October 1st. We have sat with the parents and have come up with a solution that makes most people the happiest. The Atom girls would like to practice together weekly as many new girls have joined hockey to play with their friends.

Practice's for the "C" team. Can we get the "C" team ice by themselves once every 3 or 4 weeks? All "A" and "C" teams have their own ice time. We understand by the two atom teams practicing together it helps build girls hockey. But we would like to have the "C" team have their own ice time the odd time as to get ready for tournaments and provincial play downs.

3. Coaches for the teams.

4. Practice ice times for the year. People are requesting the times as the girls have other activities planned.

5. Will be corresponding with Richard MacDonald on where the peewee, bantam and midget teams will be playing their league games this year.

Cory