

ELK VALLEY MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION
REGULAR MEETING
Elkford Community Centre
December 4, 2013 AT 6:30 PM

Attendance

Lori Bouvier	Jason Dobson	Gerry Sliworksy	Jera Kipnik
Lisa Grabas	Shawn Bilodeau	Neil Smithies	Keith Streeter
Kevin Atherton	Lori Riddell	Dwight Kerkhoven	Joe Smuin
Shawna Klein	Lori Abrossimoff		

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm
Previous minutes accepted by Lori, 2nd by Neil

Presidents Report

- Player movement requests – policy considers skill level and player numbers. Neil has drafted a set of guidelines for the Association. Guidelines will be distributed to the Executive for review.
- Propose a strict policy on how house teams are divided, and that we have a more even distribution of team management, the teams can play against each other in league play, and there is a greater level of satisfaction among the players and parents. The last point supports the objective in our constitution to *develop an effective hockey program which maximizes the number of players participating*.
- Exhibition game against Cranbrook – a Cranbrook coach overstepped his boundary with the official. Keith Streeter, Referee Coordinator has indicated that we will not invite the team for more exhibition games. Kevin will write a letter to the Cranbrook Association, recognizing that they get to choose their coaches and that we get to choose whom we invite to play in exhibition games and tournaments.

Treasurer's report

- Balance in Gaming Account is \$
- General Account is \$
- Treasurer Reports accepted by Jason, 2nd by Shawna carried

East Kootenay

- Travel Requests – need to be submitted 7 days prior to travel. June has been getting swamped with requests so ensure she is given as much notice as possible. If she has an issue with the Travel Request, she will get in touch with you right away, otherwise go on the 'no news is good news' policy that we have followed in the past.
- Referee courses are complete and there won't be any make-up courses for the remainder of the season
- Wallace attended a Governance meeting in Vancouver;
 - Respect in Sport will have an expiry date
 - Coaching Certification will also have an expiry date based on the period a coach does not coach, i.e. if a coach doesn't coach for 2 years then he/she would have to take a refresher course.
- Atoms B still looking for an association with ice time to host playoffs as Windermere backed out
- Flathead hockey has joined the female league
- As of this week, fines will be handed out to teams who do not submit their home game scores to Wallace within 48 hours. The reports **must** be submitted by every Wednesday following a game. This is over and above the league game reports and the Penalty Reports. Just an email to Wallace will do. Fines will be \$20 per team per game not reported. Teams will be responsible to pay the fine(s), not EVMHA.
- Reminder that Coaches kicked off the bench in games are subject to an additional game suspension as per the EK rule. They may also be subject to further discipline from EVMHA as well.

- Coin toss to determine who will be the home team in the PeeWee A division; this will take place beginning of January.

High County

- Not in attendance
- Bank account has been transferred from RBC to EKCCU

Referee Coordinator/Referee-in-Chief

- 12 participants attended the Timekeeping Clinic
- Will send some officials to a jamboree in Cranbrook in January
- May have to cancel some games on busy weekends due to lack of officials

Coach Coordinator

- The Ghostriders have not responded to helping out with goalie camps, etc.
- Will try to organize a goalie camp

Equipment Manager

- Jerseys ordered, best case scenario two more weeks
- Pylons are not being put back in the Coaches' lockers in Sparwood and Elkford
- Lockers need to be locked up so pucks, etc. don't go missing.

Registrar

- Not in attendance

Public Relations

- Photo night went well. One family did not receive their photos.

Ice

- PeeWee Rep only has two teams for their tournament.
- Have enough officials for both the Sparwood and Elkford arenas for a PeeWee House tournament

Risk Manager

- Not in attendance
- Updated rink inspections and submitted them

Special Events

- Hugh Twa Day was very successful and plans are already underway for next year.
- Connie Twa would like to donate the proceeds back to Hugh Twa day.

Fundraising

- Not in attendance
- Cookied dough will arrive December 13th. Emails have been sent to the Managers with details.
- Still waiting for confirmation on whether every player in the Association has paid their fundraising fee.
- Bantam, Midget and Female fundraising will be a raffle in the New Year. The prizes will be:
 - o \$500 gift card for FasGas
 - o \$300 gift card for Canadian Tire
 - o \$200 gift card for SportChek

Female Coordinator

- The team has played their 1st league game.
- The Female team has been attending jamborees
- There are five teams in the league
- Instead of having a home tournament, the Female team would like to have a jamboree. A motion was put forward requesting EVMHA to sponsor the ice and officials for the jamboree because our team has not had to pay to attend any of the jamborees - 1st by Shaun, 2nd by Shawna - passed.

Webmaster

- Not in attendance

Wild Wear Representative

- Wild Wear has been received and is being distributed tonight

Directors' reports accepted and moved by Jason - 2nd by Lori R. – Carried

Old business

- Nothing

New business

- Bantam team only has 10 skaters. PeeWee Rep and PeeWee House B are willing to AP players as long as there isn't a conflict of games. Two Midget players have AP'd to the Bantams. Looking for suggestions to help out the team because if they have a couple of injuries the team could possibly fold.
- Jersey purchase – some players have requested to buy jerseys and have their own number put on. If a jersey is purchased with a number it can't be used as a game jersey. A policy will be drafted up.
- Need STOP signs for PeeWee jerseys. New jerseys will have the STOP signs on them.
- Female team has obtained jerseys.
- Next season is the East Kootenay rotation to host Tier 4 Provincials
- AP players – missing their practices to attend the other team practices, missing their games to attend the other team games. Would like a policy drafted to prohibit this.
- Would EVMHA like to run the Elkford arena concession? After discussion the consensus was not in favor.

Next meeting is Tuesday, January 7th, 2014 in Elkford at 6:30pm.