

**ELK VALLEY MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION
REGULAR MEETING
Elkford Community Centre
January 7, 2014 at 6:30 PM**

Attendance

Lori Bouvier	Gerry Sliworsky	Jera Kipnik	Blaine Beranek
Ulrike Sliworsky	Bonnie Willett	Neil Smithies	Keith Streeter
Kevin Atherton	Dwight Kerkhoven		

Meeting called to order at 6:39pm

Previous minutes accepted by Blaine, 2nd by Gerry

Presidents Report

- Nothing new to report.

Treasurer's report

- Outstanding ice bill for \$7,141.53. Have not been receiving invoice but will pay this week.
- Balance in Gaming Account is \$ 22,607.75
- General Account is \$33,615.64
- Treasurer Reports accepted by Jera, 2nd by Blaine carried

East Kootenay

- Flat Head Minor Hockey for the Female Division will officially be in the league as soon as the memorandum is signed by BC Minor Hockey.
- Elk Valley will host the Atoms B Banner play offs in Elkford on the March 1-2nd weekend
- Wallace Ross performed a Coin toss to determine who the home team would be for the Pee Wee (A) division team Banner Play Offs. Elk Valley Peewee Black was the winner of the coin toss and will have home ice advantage during the playoffs.
- Wallace is investigating a coach from WV in regards to poor conduct during a game. Investigation on going and more details to come
- Windermere Valley Midget team is having difficulties with injuries and player numbers which is affecting their ability to safely and realistically play games. They have outstanding league games in both Cranbrook and Elk Valley. It was decided that we should not assess the maximum fine to this team for not attending league games due to the unfortunate circumstances they are in. WV will be charged only for the cost of the ice times for games missed and they will not have to make up these games if it does not work out due to the timing of the season and the timing of their goaltenders recovery. Their only goaltender is out for 3-4 weeks with a concussion plus 2 other skaters are being assessed for concussions leaving them with 7 skaters. It was also mentioned by Murray Craven that this situation should be mapped out and recorded in the EK constitution or

guidelines as this could easily happen in the future to any of our teams in the EK League as numbers are dropping and fining teams under these circumstances is not fair or justifiable

- Windermere tried out a 2 Ref 1 Linesman system at the Bantam Level and reports back on this were positive. Wallace may be recommending this for Bantams and higher as it seemed to keep the games under tighter control.
- Wallace has stated that he is very happy with all the scores being emailed after the games, game reports, penalty reports, game sheets etc. that have been diligently coming into him. He expressed his appreciation to all those who are making this happen.

High Country

- Nothing new to report

Referee Coordinator/Referee-in-Chief

- Official of the Month for December is Dylan Steen
- Will decide which officials will represent us in the jamboree in Cranbrook in January
- Have not had to say no to a game yet. We are progressing our officials as much as possible.
- Will talk to Cranbrook to see if we can get officiating assistance from their association if required as some of our officials are reffing so many games.

Coach Coordinator

- Reminders were sent out to all coaches that have taken the Hybrid or Dev 1 courses to get them completed as soon as possible.
- Requested the coaches not to give their verification letters to anyone else to hand in, but to do it themselves. We have many coaches that have taken the courses in the past and asked someone else to hand in their completed work and it was never received by BC Hockey. Now they are struggling to get recertified without taking the course again.
- When a coach becomes certified they should receive notification, preferably a certificate
- Would like to put forward a motion that all player movement requests must be submitted in the first two weeks after the season has started. We received three requests this year and one was requested on November 26th, and after many failed attempts to have the player evaluated, he was finally evaluated on Monday, December 16th.

Equipment Manager

- Jerseys have arrived and overall they look good, i.e. the crest, color, etc.
- The new garment bags don't fold which make them a bit difficult to carry.
- Will order a set of jerseys for the Midgets and Female.

Registrar

- Nothing new to report.

Public Relations

- Not in attendance

Ice

- Not in attendance

Risk Manager

- Nothing new to report

Special Events

- Not in attendance.

Fundraising

- Not in attendance
- Cookied dough is done.
- 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

- Not in attendance.

Webmaster

- Not in attendance
- Please submit suggestions for improvements to the website

Wild Wear Representative

- Not in attendance

Directors' reports accepted and moved by Blaine - 2nd by Jera – Carried

Old business

- Decision has not been made regarding paying for unused ice.

New business

- If we would like to hose PeeWee Provincials we need to do a lot of pre-planning.
- Suggest to the other associations to flood between each period instead of only half way through.
- The Atoms would like to donate a jersey to a player on their team that was only here on a temporary basis and is returning to Chile. Will give the player a Wild Wear item, the team account will pay for it.

Next meeting is Wednesday, February 5th, 2014 in Sparwood at 6:30pm.