

**Yellowhead Region Minor Hockey – Annual FALL Meeting**  
**Minutes – Tuesday, September 18, 2007**

The Annual FALL Meeting of the Yellowhead Minor Hockey Association was held on Tuesday September 18, 2007 in the Hamiota Sports complex with the following members present:

**Executive:**

Bruce Coulter	Director
Keith Orr	Vice-Director
Shirley Wowryk	Secretary-Treasurer
Butch Kotesky	South area representative and Hamiota Minor Hockey
Charles Bertram	North area representative and Birtle Minor Hockey
Craig Cameron	East area representative & Minnedosa Minor Hockey.

**Others:**

Ray Brethour	Chair Senior Hockey, Hockey Manitoba
Stan Harvey	Chair West Zone, Hockey Manitoba
Cheryl Ernest	Registrar, Hockey Manitoba
Myles Cathcart	Neepawa Minor Hockey-President
Cory Dowd	Referee Co-ordinator & Neepawa Minor Hockey
Gordon Paddock	Coach Co-ordinator and Tri-Town Minor Hockey
Vaughn Lamb	Tri-Town Minor Hockey
Derek Shamray	Tri-Town Minor Hockey
Kevin Bartram	Shoal Lake Minor Sports-President
Cyril Patterson	Shoal Lake Minor Sports-Past President
Craig Fedorowich	Hamiota Minor Hockey-President
Cal Harrison	Hamiota Minor Hockey
Dale Murray	Hamiota Minor Hockey
Lance Routledge	Hamiota Minor Hockey
Dennis Kyle	Elkhorn/McAuley Minor Hockey-President
Alvin Rutchka	Birtle Minor Hockey-Past President
Deena Amy	Birtle Minor Hockey-Secretary-Treasurer
Blair Fordyce	Kenton Minor Hockey-President
Craig Geekie	Strathclair Minor Hockey
Liz Cloud	Waywayseecappo Minor Hockey
Tim Cloud	Waywayseecappo Minor Hockey
Pat Falloon	Foxwarren Minor Hockey
Stu Scantlebury	Foxwarren Minor Hockey

**Executive Absent:**

Garth Mitchell	West area representative and Elkhorn/McAuley Minor Hockey
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Director Bruce Coulter called the meeting to order at 7:35 P.M.

All present were asked to introduce themselves.

**MOTION:** Craig Fedorowich – Alvin Rutchka

"That Minutes of April 11, 2007 meeting be adopted as circulated, read and amended."

CARRIED

Director Bruce Coulter gave the Director's Report:

- Our Region has a new **Referee Co-ordinator – Cory Dowd** from Neepawa.
- Coach Mentorship – September 30<sup>th</sup> in Elkhorn (more info on web-site).
- Development weekend is scheduled for February 1-3, 2008
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Year Bantams – 1994
  - Director's Cup - 1993
  - Female Bantam Challenge – 1993 + 1994.
  - Female P.O. E. – 1991 + 1992.
  - Male P.O.E. – 1992.
- A group of volunteers including some from Winnipeg worked a Bingo last Friday.
- Yellowhead Region has been assigned Female Atom B and Male Atom D "Provincials".
- Continue to hear of more organizations joining together to form teams (due to declining numbers).
- Web-Page is [www.yellowheadhockey.ca](http://www.yellowheadhockey.ca) - Looking for local input, events, for the site.

Keith Orr gave the Vice-Director report:

- Yellowhead Region will have a Female AA Midget team.
- All females wanting to play will have opportunity.
- Skate this Saturday in Shoal Lake.
- Murray Skayman will coach, Rob Ewbank will assist.
- Female AA Midget Provincials will be third weekend in March '08.

Stan Harvey (Chair West Zone, Hockey Manitoba) doesn't know how it will work out – may create logistical problems due to too many teams.

**Finances - Treasurer Shirley Wowryk** presented the Final Year End Financial Statements (Sept 1, 2006 to August 31, 2007) showing excess revenue over expenses. Revenues - \$20,464.81, Expenses - \$15,648.30. Net Income over Expenses - \$4,816.51. Not all Regional Fees are actually collected, but are shown as receivables.

Closing balances at August 31/07:

Cash on Hand	\$	0.00
Chequing	\$	4,801.12
Savings	\$	12,198.19
Shares	\$	8.00
Accts. Receivable:		
Directors Cup Rev-late cks	\$	975.00
Foxwarren Minor Hockey	\$	390.00
Hamiota High School	\$	125.00
Neepawa Minor Hockey	\$	880.00
Strathclair Minor Hockey	\$	215.00
Wayway Minor Hockey	\$	180.00
		<u>\$ 3,030.00</u>
TOTAL		\$20,037.31

**MOTION:** Shirley Wowryk – Charles Bertram

"That the Financial Report dated August 31, 2007 be approved as presented."

CARRIED



The **Yellowhead Chiefs AAA Midgets Hockey Team** report submitted by **Jim Fortune**, Manager:

The Yellowhead Chiefs coaching staff of Garth Mitchell, head coach, with Marc Berry as assistant coach are returning for their second year. Braden Lonsberry has moved away and is no longer with the team. Jim Fortune will once again be Manager.

This year the fall tryout camp ran from September 7-9. There were 42 players trying out for main camp and 49 players attending the prospects camp. The team will carry 26 players to the Souris Tournament this weekend with final cuts being made on Sunday.

The Chief would like to thank the region for purchasing our new "White" game jerseys. These jerseys will be worn for the first time at our home opener on October 20<sup>th</sup>.

There will be 14 home games played at Shoal Lake and 1 each at Hamiota, Birtle, Minnedosa, Neepawa, Rivers and Elkhorn.

**Referee Co-ordinator** report:

- Refer to the Hockey MB website for all dates of clinics.
- Level 1 & 2 clinic in Neepawa – October 13<sup>th</sup>
- Level 2 & 2 clinic in Hamiota – October 21<sup>st</sup>
- Other clinics scheduled for Shoal Lake, Elkhorn and Rivers – check Hockey MB to confirm dates.

**Coach Coordinator** report by Gord Paddock:

- 3 Clinics.
- Level 1 (Coach Level) – Minnedosa on October 27<sup>th</sup>
- Safety Clinic in Shoal Lake on October 28<sup>th</sup>
- Initiation & "Speak Out" in Birtle on November 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- Coach Awareness (for New coaches) must be done by December 16<sup>th</sup>/07 (3 hr on-line course) but is not mandatory this year if coach as "Speak Out".

**Unfinished and New Business:**

Development Squad Tournament:

- Hosting one Tournament this year – min. 6 teams – max. 10 teams.
- April 18, 19, 20/08.
- Would be good to have all ice rentals in one rink to justify a rink staying open later in season.

Overages/Transfers:

- MUST provide documentation.
- Don't undermine local teams by transferring for no real good reason.

**Yellowhead Region Constitution:**

**MOTION:** Craig Fedorowich – Cal Harrison

"Be It Resolved that the **Constitution** presented and posted on the Yellowhead web-site be approved in principal, to be ratified at the December 2007 regional meeting."

CARRIED

**'07 – '08 Operating Budget:**

Secretary-Treasurer Wowryk presented a proposed Operating Budget showing total revenue of \$25,575.00 and \$25,575.00. The proposed budget is based on a fee increase of \$2.50 (to \$7.50) per player/coach. Discussion followed where it was suggested that a more modest increase be implemented in order use up a part of the existing surplus.

**MOTION:** Charles Bertram – Dennis Kyle

“Be It Resolved that the **Regional Fees for 2007-2008 be increased by \$1.00** to \$6.00 per player and coach”. CARRIED

**MOTION:** Cal Harrison – Gord Paddock

“Be It Resolved that the **'07-'08 operating budget presented and amended to show a \$1,875.00 deficit, be approved.**” CARRIED

**Other:**

Alvin Rutchka asked if AA Rural Bantam Tournament is open to any community to host even if they don't have a host team.

Cheryl Ernest, Regional Registrar:

- Will distribute registration packages after the meeting.
- December 15<sup>th</sup> is the Playoff Application deadline.

**Next meeting (Semi-Annual):**

Scheduled for **Wednesday, December 19, 2007 7:30 P.M. in Hamiota.**

Adjourned by Blair Fordyce at 9:14 P.M.

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Shirley Wowryk, Secretary-Treasurer.