



Yellowhead Region Minor Hockey – Annual Meeting

Minutes – Wednesday, April 18, 2012

The Annual Meeting of the Yellowhead Minor Hockey Association was held on Wednesday April 18, 2012 in the Hamiota Sports Complex with the following members present:

Executive:

Bruce Coulter	Director
Dan Johnson	Vice-Director and Male Hockey Rep
Cal Harrison	Vice-Director and Female Hockey Rep
Dean Lindenbach	North area representative and Birtle Minor Hockey- President
Garth Mitchell	West area representative and Elkhorn/McAuley Minor Hockey
Craig Cameron	East area representative
Grant Butler	Referee Co-ordinator
Gord Paddock	Yellowhead Coach Coordinator & Tri-Town Minor Hockey
Shirley Wowryk	Secretary-Treasurer

Others:

Ray Brethour	Hockey MB, Chair, Senior
Duane Kent	Hamiota Minor Hockey, President
Melinda Haney	St. Lazare Minor Hockey
Zeta Mowbray	St. Lazare Minor Hockey
Dale Murray	Shoal Lake Minor Hockey
Kevin Bachewich	Erickson/Onanole Minor Hockey – President
Les Pedersen	
Jeff Maddess	Shoal Lake Minor Sports, President
Barry Good	Minnedosa Minor Hockey - President
Derek Shamray	Tri-Town Minor Hockey
Trevor Veitch	Tri-Town Minor Hockey- President
Kent Wareham	Tri-Town Minor Hockey –Vice President
Martin Woodley	Strathclair Minor Hockey
Steve Desjardins	Birtle Minor Hockey - President
Mark Wotton	Foxwarren Minor Hockey
Stu Scantlebury	Foxwarren Minor Hockey - President
Derek Tibbatts	Foxwarren Minor Hockey
Dennis Kyle	Elkhorn/McAuley Minor Hockey - President
Dave Barnesky	Rosburn Minor Hockey – President
Mitchell Mann	Neepawa Minor Hockey – President
Jim Krzyzaniak	Neepawa Minor Hockey – Ice Scheduler
Craig Geekie	Strathclair Minor Hockey - President

Absent:

Butch Kotesky	South area representative
Wayway Minor Hockey and Rapid City Minor Hockey reps sent their regrets – No Fines levied	

Director Bruce Coulter called the meeting to order at 7:31 P.M.
All present were asked to introduce themselves.

The Secretary-Treasurer read the minutes of the December 15, 2011 Semi-Annual Meeting.

MOTION: Shirley Wowryk – Craig Geekie

“That Minutes of December 15, 2011 meeting be adopted as circulated, read and amended.” CARRIED

Director Bruce Coulter gave the **Director's Report:**

- Once again it was a very busy year for the registration committee and I would like to thank the 4 area reps, Dan and Cal for all of their hard work. I would also like to thank Shirley for all of her hard work throughout the year and to recognize the efforts of both Grant Butler and Gord Paddock.
- Thanks to associations for hosting provincials. From all account things went very well.
- Congratulations to teams from our region that medaled at provincials:

GOLD MEDAL WINNERS:

Atom D Male – Foxwarren
Bantam A Female – Hamiota
Bantam AAA Female – Yellowhead Regional Team

SILVER MEDAL WINNERS:

Atom D Male – Tritown
Atom AA Male – Shoal Lake
Pee Wee D Male – Shoal Lake
Bantam B Male - Neepawa
Midget A Female – Hamiota

BRONZE MEDAL WINNERS:

Atom B Female – Birtle
Pee Wee C Female – Neepawa
Pee Wee A Female – Birtle
Pee Wee C Male – Elkhorn
Pee Wee D Male – Hamiota
Bantam B Female – Neepawa

- Once again suspensions were low in the region – a positive. The one area that seems to be a little troublesome is the midget. Most of my suspension issues are in the midget level.
- Thanks to all of the individuals who were involved with the development programs. We had 2 development squads (Major Pee Wee's), 1 Director's Cup team and the region sent a number of individuals to the U16 Male POE and the U18 Female POE in Winnipeg.
- AAA (Midget) Chiefs and the Female AAA (Midget) Chiefs had successful seasons. Both teams were relatively young and the future is looking promising for both groups. The Region was also part of the Hockey Manitoba Pilot Project that saw the Region have a single carded AAA Bantam program for the male and a double carded AAA Female Bantam program. In terms of player development I think both programs met their goals in giving the players the opportunity to develop by practicing and playing at a higher level. The region would like to thank all those who gave of themselves to make these programs successful.

Things to Look at

1. Greater use of Webpage to communicate.
2. Doing online registration for regional programs.
3. Doing online surveys for various initiatives and programs run by the region.

(Female Rep) Cal Harrison reported on:

AA Female Bantam.

Finances - Treasurer Shirley Wowryk presented the Interim Financial Statements

Sept 1, 2011 to April 18, 2012). Current estimated Revenues \$21, 548.06, Expenses to date - \$11,828.93. Net Income over Expenses - \$9,719.13. Secretary-Treasurer noted that '11-'12 Regional Fees are billed but some may still require adjustments, due to some players being rostered to more than one team.

Closing balances at April 18, 2012

Cash on Hand	\$ 3,230.00	
Chequing	\$19,970.72	
Savings	\$12,456.25	
Credit Union Shares	\$ 7.06	\$35,664.03
Accts. Receivable:		
'11-'12 Region Fees	\$ 6,762.00	
Central Plains Female POE	\$ 540.00	\$ 7,302.00
TOTAL		\$42,966.03

MOTION: Shirley Wowryk – Garth Mitchell

“That the Interim Financial Report dated April 18, 2012 be approved as presented.”

CARRIED

Coach Coordinator Gord Paddock reported that coach clinics to be held in the fall have to be scheduled in the spring. He wants to try to get “Coach, Initiation, and Safety”.

Clinic requests have come in from Minnedosa, Birtle (Initiation) and Neepawa (Safety). Let him know what you want for clinics.

Referee Coordinator Grant Butler reported:**1. Ref Clinics for the 2012 – 2012 season***Changes to the Ref Clinics –*

1. *Must have a min. of 15 people to host a clinic.*
2. *Level One is a full day (8 hours)*
3. *Level Two is a full Day (8 hours)*
4. *Two instructors per clinic*
5. *Senior Level 3 will be 4 hours*
6. *Level 3 must be a separate clinic and is a full day (8 hours)*
7. *No combining of Level 1, 2 and 3 any longer.*

2. Ref Clinic dates

- a. *Sept 29 – Neepawa - Level 1 and 2*
- b. *Oct 14 - Hamiota - Level 1 and 2*
- c. *Nov 03 - Rivers - Level 1 and 2*
- d. *Nov 04 - Minnedosa - Level Senior 3*

These dates can be changed but, I would have to let Hockey Manitoba know soon.

3. Issues this year,

- a. *More complaints than the last year,*
 - i. *Complaints about – referees not making the big calls (head contact, hit from behind)*
 - ii. *Complaints from refs about player suspensions not the same in each region*
 - iii. *Complaints from parents about lack of calls in some areas (Atom age)*

4. For next year

- a. *Would like to know the names of all the people in the region who are responsible for assigning refs and for doing evaluation of ref in the local rinks.*
- b. *Evaluations/coaching of New Refs.*

5. Comments – Questions?

AAA Midget Male report:

- A younger team – very competitive.
- Playoffs could have lasted longer.
- Team had no Trainer.

AAA Bantam Female report:

- Laura Tully and Mike Workman were coaches
- Are trying to have a regular practice night – very difficult when players are double carded.

AAA Midget Female report:

- ~~Derek Shamray~~ **Myles Cathcart** – coach.
- 62 games, 65 good practices

AAA Bantam Male report:

- Coached by Bruce Coulter, Craig Geekie and Stu Scantlebury.
- No official league (made a schedule).
- 43 games
- Bruce and Craig were very pleased with team's progress.
- Stu said that players had to make decisions about their hockey career.

Development Programs –

- 2 Development Squads
- 2 Directors Cup teams
- No 'Female Bantam Challenge'
- POE program.

Director Bruce Coulter reports that at the **2012 Hockey Manitoba** Annual General Meeting – many motions are being presented at the AGM that he wants to bring to the attention of the membership.

Notices of Motion discussed:

- #5 Hockey Wpg wants to see a change in voting structure. Ray Brethour indicated that Hockey MB is planning a review of structure. YELLOWHEAD OPPOSED.
- #7 Norman Region – regarding Minor 'Affiliation' – they are requesting AP'ing only 1 aged level up. YELLOWHEAD FOR
- #8+9 Eastman Minor – determination of closest centre and arena. YELLOWHEAD FOR
- #10+11 Governance Committee – South West and Brandon Regions have put in motions regarding boundaries – but have been denied in the past. Ray Brethour provided more info on the issues pertaining to these Notices of Motion. YELLOWHEAD OPPOSED.
- #12 Ken Gladden, Chair West Zone – re Pilot Project Bantam Female. – he wants all but Winnipeg to be able to double roster AAA. YELLOWHEAD wants Pilot Project to continue, or amend it to single carded males and double carded females OR leave it up to regions which are affected.
- #15 Mike Cole, Norman Vice-Director – re Female Midget – wants roster to max 3 Bantam age players to supplement teams short on Midget aged players.
- #13+14+15+16 (Secretary unable to determine details). YELLOWHEAD OPPOSED
- #17 Re – unlimited AP'ing of Bantam to Midget to Jan 10 & then only 5 games after YELLOWHEAD FOR
- #18 Proposed by Hockey MB (secretary unable to determine details) YELLOWHEAD OPPOSED
- #19 Proposed by Ken Gladden – Need more info
- #20 Mike Cole, Norman Vice-Director - registration – Age limits – only advance one age level.
- #21 Re – AAA Midget National Eligibility YELLOWHEAD OPPOSED

- #22 Eastman Region – re Bantam Male AA
#23 Re – Register teams earlier
#25 Re – Adjustment to Minor Prov. Draws
#26 Admin & Finance Committee – re Coach Certification procedures
#27 Scott Wotton, Pres-Foxwarren – re suggest double roster PeeWee AA AS A Yellowhead Pilot Project
#28. Re – Bantam Male – Extend AAA Bantam Pilot Project (tied with #12)
#29 Re – Underage Player Transfer fees.

YELLOWHEAD OK
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YELLOWHEAD OPPOSED

YELLOWHEAD SUPPORTS CONCEPT

ELECTIONS: Positions due this year – Director, Secretary-Treasurer, North and South Area reps, and Referee Coordinator. Ray Brethour assumed the Chair to conduct Elections.

Director:

Dan Johnson nominated Bruce Coulter. There were no further nominations.

Bruce Coulter elected Director by acclamation.

Secretary-Treasurer:

Garth Mitchell nominated Shirley Wowryk. There were no further nominations.

Shirley Wowryk elected Secretary-Treasurer by acclamation.

Region Reps:

NORTH Rep:

Dan Johnson nominated Dean Lindenbach. There were no further nominations.

Dean Lindenbach elected North Rep by acclamation.

SOUTH Rep:

Dennis Kyle nominated Irwin (Butch) Kostaskey. There were no further nominations.

Butch Kostaskey elected as South Rep by acclamation

Referee Coordinator:

Garth Mitchell nominated Grant Butler. There were no further nominations.

Grant Butler elected Referee Coordinator by acclamation

OTHER BUSINESS:

Hockey Manitoba has some Executive Elections as Brian Franklin is stepping down.

MOTION: Craig Cameron - Garth Mitchell

“Be it Resolved that a **donation of \$75.00 be made to the Hamiota Sports Complex**, for use of the facility for our '11-'12 Region meetings.”

CARRIED

Next meeting (Fall):

Scheduled for **Wednesday, September 5, 2012 7:30 P.M. in Hamiota.**

Adjourned by Cal Harrison at 9:50 PM.

Shirley Wowryk, Secretary-Treasurer.