



## **Yellowhead Region Minor Hockey – Fall Meeting Minutes – Wednesday, September 5, 2012**

The Fall Meeting of the Yellowhead Minor Hockey Association was held on Wednesday September 5, 2012 in the Hamiota Sports Complex with the following members present:

### **Executive:**

Bruce Coulter	Director
Shirley Wowryk	Secretary-Treasurer
Cal Harrison	Vice Director (Female Hockey)
Dean Lindenbach	North area representative
Craig Cameron	East area representative

### **Others:**

Ray Brethour	Chair-Senior, Hockey Manitoba
Craig Geekie	Strathclair Minor Hockey - President
Steve Desjardins	Birtle Minor Hockey – President
Dennis Kyle	Elkhorn Minor Hockey – President
Mike Kyle	Elkhorn Minor Hockey
Kent Wareham	Tri-Town Minor Hockey, Vice-President
Trevor Veitch	Tri-Town Minor Hockey - President
Adrian Belinski	Rosburn Minor Hockey – Treasurer
Audra Nychuk	Rosburn Minor Hockey - Secretary
David Barteaux	Foxwarren Minor Hockey
Damon Mowbray	St. Lazare Minor Hockey
Jeff Maddess	Shoal Lake Minor Sports - President
Kevin Bachewich	Erickson/Onanole Minor Hockey - President
Mike Collyer	Erickson/Onanole Minor Hockey
Duane Ken	Hamiota Minor Hockey – President
Barry Good	Minnedosa Minor Hockey – President
Kelly Krzyzaniak	Neepawa Minor Hockey
Glenn Dyck	Rapid City Minor Hockey – Bench Personnel (arrived late)

### **Executive Absent:**

Dan Johnson	Vice-Director (Male Hockey)
Gord Paddock	Yellowhead Coach Coordinator
Butch Kotesky	South area representative
Garth Mitchell	West area representative
Grant Butler	Yellowhead Referee Co-ordinator

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Director Bruce Coulter called the meeting to order at 7:36 P.M.  
All present were asked to introduce themselves.

Director Coulter reported that Executive members Dan Johnson, Garth Mitchell, Grant Butler, Gordon Paddock, Butch Kotesky and Zone Registrar Cheryl Ernest sent their regrets. It was noted that the Rapid City representative was not in attendance. (Secretary's note -the Rapid City rep arrived late).

The Minutes of the April 18, 2012 Annual General Meeting were read by the Secretary.

**MOTION:** Shirley Wowryk – Craig Geekie

“That Minutes of the April 18, 2012 meeting be adopted as circulated, read and amended.”

CARRIED

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

1. **Hockey Canada Registry (HCR) Database** – Associations will now have access to online tutorials to assist them in the training process. All associations that have not completed the necessary forms to begin using the HCR database should go to the Hockey Manitoba website, click on the 'HCR Access for Minor Associations' button and follow the instructions. Contact Cheryl Ernest for more information (prior to contacting Esther Thiessen at Hockey Manitoba)..
2. **Membership & Insurance Fee Changes** – Each Association is invoiced based on the previous year's registration numbers. Each association has a copy of this invoice in their registration package. 50% of fees are due on Oct 15<sup>th</sup> of the current season and the balance due Nov 15<sup>th</sup>. Once a reconciliation of registration numbers is completed by Hockey Manitoba on March 15<sup>th</sup>, each association will be invoiced or credited accordingly. Hockey Manitoba Zone Registrars will be advised of any associations that have not submitted their fees by the deadline and will not approve team rosters until fees are paid. Hockey registration insurance fees have increased by \$0.75 per member in order to comply with the introduction of the Provincial Legislation whereby certain insurance contracts and corresponding premiums are now subject to a 7% Retail Sales Tax. Also, it is critical that associations submit their updated contact list to Hockey Manitoba.
3. **Coaching Certification** – Coaching clinics are listed on the Hockey Manitoba website and individuals can register at any time. Courses are available throughout the branch with the required deadline of December 1<sup>st</sup> for all levels of coaching including New coaches.
4. **Mandatory Helmets – Minor Hockey Coaches** – all minor hockey coaches are required to wear a SCA approved helmet during on ice training and practices. Helmets will not be required while coaching during games.
5. **Minor Hockey Affiliation Regulations** – Affiliate players must play a minimum of 50% of the rostered team's league games (excluding exceptions such as long term injury) to be eligible for regional playoffs and provincials with their rostered team or any team in which they are eligible to affiliate.
6. **Provincial Championships** – Rural Minor Male teams will enter the category of play as determined by determined by Regulation D.57 in the Hockey Manitoba handbook. Teams are not permitted to move to a lower category but may request a move to a higher category at the Semi-Annual Meeting. Applications to host provincials must be submitted to Hockey Manitoba by October 1<sup>st</sup>.
7. **Overage Players** – players who have received Overage approval from Hockey Manitoba are eligible for all hockey activities except regional play-offs and provincial tournaments.
8. **Extended Season** – Extended season is March 1<sup>st</sup> to April 30<sup>th</sup>.
9. **Development Weekend – Feb 1-3, 2013**
  - Pee Wee Development Squads
  - Minor Bantam Director's Cup
  - U16 POE – Male (no camp)
  - U17 POE – Male (no camp)



- U18 POE – Female (no camp)

10. **Other -**

- Dodge Caravan Kids Program – Program is available to novice teams within 100 km of a MB Dodge Dealership and can be awards \$500 to each team that display the Dodge Caravan Kids decal on the back of their jerseys.
- Scholarships – Graduating high school registered members who are planning on attending a post-secondary institution are eligible to apply. Deadline date is apply is March 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Volunteer Awards- there are monthly and annual awards to eligible individuals – application forms are in the Hockey Manitoba 'Forms' section of the website.
- Chevrolet Hockey Helmet Program – Each eligible child (born in 2007) is entitled to receive (1) one helmet.

**Vice Director (Female Hockey) report by Cal Harrison –**

Midget & Bantam Female AAA Program – Sent out 108 letters in total for Midget and Bantam program. Parkland and Brandon did not have enough players for the Midget Program.

Midget camp was run on Aug 25 and 26<sup>th</sup> and team selections were made. As of today they have 1 extra player left in camp.

18 players – 2 goalies, 6 defense, 10 forwards (3 Parkland, 4 Brandon, 11 Yellowhead).

Bantam camp will be on 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> in Shoal Lake. As of today, 1 goalie and 13 skaters. Deadline is Sept 10<sup>th</sup>.

**Vice-Director (Male Hockey) Dan Johnson - no report (absent).**

Director Coulter reported on Male AAA Programs -  
Male Midget and Bantam tryout camps this weekend, starting tomorrow night.

**Coach Coordinator Gord Paddock** not in attendance.

Director Coulter reported –

- October 6 – Coach clinic – Minnedosa
- October 27 – Initiation clinic – Birtle
- November 24 – Safety clinic – Neepawa.

**Referee Coordinator report sent by Grant Butler –**

*Upcoming Clinics in the region.*

- Everyone has to register online at Hockey Manitoba.*
- Any clinic with less than 15 people may be cancelled.*
- Check the contacts on the website to make sure they are correct – Contact Grant if they need to be changed. 204-868-5286, [gbutler@rrsd.mb.ca](mailto:gbutler@rrsd.mb.ca) All clinics start at 8:30 with registration, instruction will start at 9 am and end around 3 to 3:30 pm.*
- Neepawa – Neepawa Collegiate – Sept 29 – Level 1 and 2 – Full day.*
- Hamiota – Hamiota Arena – Oct 14 – Level 1 and 2 – Full day.*
- Rivers – Rivers Collegiate – Nov 03, Level 1 and 2 – Full day.*
- Minnedosa – Minnedosa Collegiate – Sr level 3 – ½ day*
- Unfortunate – there will not be a clinic in Elkhorn this year.*

Hockey Manitoba wants to reduce the number of clinics in the Province in order to reduce costs. I will be review the numbers of people registered on the Wednesday before the clinic. Please make sure people are signing up ahead of time. There will be a \$25.00 charge to people who are late registering for the clinics.

I would like to get every region to send me the ref fees you are paying. I get a number of calls every year as to what refs should be paid. I will compile this info and send to the regions.

Whistles will be purchased for new Level one refs again this year.

No major rule changes this year, a continued focus on head contact.

If you have any refs (ages 16 and up) that you feel should be reconsidered by Hockey Manitoba please contact Grant. Hockey Manitoba is looking for young refs that show potential to move onto the MJ and higher.

Any questions please call Grant Butler – 204-868-5286 [gbutler@rrsd.mb.ca](mailto:gbutler@rrsd.mb.ca)

**Finances - Treasurer Shirley Wowryk** presented the Financial Statements - Sept 1, 2011 to Aug 31, 2012 Revenues \$26,902.81, Expenses to date - \$23,586.84. Net Income over Expenses - \$3,315.97.

Closing balances at August 31, 2012

Chequing	\$24,219.56
Savings	\$12,456.25
Shares	\$ 7.06
TOTAL	\$36,682.87
Accts Rec.(overpaid)	( 120.00)
Total	\$36,562.87

**MOTION:** Shirley Wowryk - Cal Harrison

“That the Financial Statement dated August 31, 2012 be approved as presented.”

CARRIED

### **Other Business:**

Director Coulter expressed concern about the low numbers of players in Yellowhead region.

Mark Wotton put in a Motion to Hockey MB Annual General Meeting requesting the concept of a regional Pee Wee Team (was not supported by Hockey MB) Contents of Proposal is as follows:

*“AA” PeeWee Development Program – 2012 – 2013 Season*

*Our region will be having a peewee development program this year during the regular season. It will only available for skaters born in 2000 and 2001. This program will consist of practices held on Mondays in Foxwarren from 7 - 8:30 PM. Tryouts may be necessary as there are not an unlimited number of spots. Although the schedule is not completely ironed out, practices will begin in November and occur every 2 weeks until January. After January, they may become weekly, and continue up until POE begins depending on number of players and interest. With this schedule, the minimum number of sessions for the program will be ten. Fees will be based on number of players and cost of ice only. They will not exceed \$100, but may be less depending on number of registered skaters, as the cost will be evenly split between skaters.*

*Mark Wotton will be organizing the practices and additional practice coaches depending on group sizes. With our region being so large, and ice availability in each town, we understand this program may not work for everyone.*

*Application deadline is October 10, 2012. Any interested parties should contact: Mark or Melanie Wotton  
- 204-847-2216 - wotton5@yahoo.com*

MOTION: Kelly Krzyzaniak – Craig Geekie

“That the Pee Wee Development Pilot Project program proposed by Mark Wotton for the Yellowhead Region be approved, provided that the Region Reps be involved in the final roster selection. CARRIED

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

Scheduled for **Wednesday, December 12, 2012 7:30 P.M. in Hamiota.**

Adjourned by Dennis Kyle at 9:11 PM.

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Shirley Wowryk, Secretary-Treasurer.