



WEST NIPISSING MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION  
210 Clark St. Unit A- Sturgeon Falls- ON- P2B 3M8

### EXECUTIVE MEETING

Date: Monday, March 31st 2025 @6:30pm

Location: Sports Hall of Fame

### AGENDA

**Attendance:** Troy Lefebvre, Steve Doucette, Sara Gaudette, Chantal Lepage, Chantal Girard, Melanie Ayotte, Jess Primok, Danielle Gladu, Kip Mckenzie, Gwyn Paynter.

**Regrets:** Pierre Lafond, Jenn Gaudette

1. **Call to Order:** 640PM
2. **Approval of Agenda** Approved by: Chantal and seconded by: Melanie
3. **Approval of last meeting minutes** Approved by: Chantal and seconded by: Chantal
4. **President's Report:**

Things are winding down, as the season ends.

NOHA are hosting a meeting to address issues and changes with the U9 age group. They will discuss and sort out the next steps to take. U9 convenor will attend the meeting April 22nd, 2025, 7PM. We are also in the process of registering our rep teams and paying fees by early September. House league teams will be in the fall.

NDHL : all playoffs mostly completed (almost) now. They are trying to implement a system with players and coaches who are repeat offenders that there be a threshold to have a meeting for people in violation, and perhaps game suspensions added. There is a committee formed to tackle these issues, these meetings and suspensions will be documented and put back in the system to track from season to season. This will be up and running for next year hopefully. We hosted U13A this weekend it was great, great job of scheduling. U11 HL was done a few weekends ago, and also went well.

Upcoming spring tryouts. It will be different this year. Troy will help out with the process.

TOCS for U11 went well in Cochrane, and U15 as well.

## 5. Treasurer's Report

Mel sent overview from June to end of March via email and added to the drive.

131 997.13\$ balance.

Revenue for 4on4 received in March also.

Cost for U11 HL and U13A playoffs, ice, officials, timekeepers medals to submit to NDHL for payment.

## 6. Correspondence

Nothing.

## 7. Committee/Convenor Updates

### Finance committee:

Jenn and Mel met with the accountant; it went well. We need to figure out end of year. Mel suggests the **fiscal year end May 31<sup>st</sup> of every year. All in favor.**

We need to create a CRA account: Pierre is working on this.

Ask the lawyer, once a year when directors are changed, we go into the portal and update the directors.

If CRA ask, we need to have a budget, intentions for the year to show how and where we will be spending our money, if we have money saved ex: for new jerseys etc. There is no magic number for a saving account amount, but if we have too much money CRA may start asking questions. Gwyn suggests 3-6 months of expenses saved up. Gwyn is wondering if they recommend a software system. Mel does the financial binder and give it to the accountant, who then puts it in a software program.

Accountant fee: 2500\$ yearly, the less work she has to do the less it will cost us. Tax return included, and HST so we can have a rebate.

On our receipts we need to indicate nonprofit.

Time keeping is not on payroll.

She is willing to come meet with board members or invite to attend when the new board is formed.

Add monthly meeting minutes to the financial binder.

Disciplinary committee: a few issues and complaints at U11A.

Property and equipment committee: collecting jerseys, pucks and boards. Will get them all professionally cleaned, name bars removed once we received them. Price out bumpers for U7s, but we need to confirm with Tim. Chantal G will send Tim an email to sort out the shared bumpers. Bee suit arrived.

Publicity/fundraising and sponsorship committee: we are reviewing our policies, to improve and change it before the AGM. Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday via online.

Time keeping officiating committee: 4on4 schedule needs to be redone, and uploaded in the app will extend to May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Pre skates need to be completed by April 18<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>.

We also need to send rules to parents, advise schedule change, and U7 parents put bumpers. Parent volunteers required on the bench.

Release committee: N/A

Tournament committee: The main negative feedback for our Stinger Cup was the dressing room fiasco not enough dressing rooms for U9s. We are suggesting that next year U7 and U9 jamboree in December and rotate a rep team to add to the Jan tournaments.

**Dec U7 and U9 jamboree:** with a skate with Santa. Dec 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>. Cost would be around 800\$.

**Jan U11, U13, U15, U18:** with 1 rep age group.

Early bird tournament for rep teams. Might be an idea. Early October.

Policy committee: everyone updating their policies for reviewal. Meeting May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025, to go over them all together for an entire day.

Coach/player selection committee: Pierre is getting things in order, coaches all selected. U15A applicants have arrived and interview soon.

Convenor committee:

Head convenor: Jenn & Troy

U7 – Chantal meeting went well with parents they requested a change of ice time, perhaps a floater practice time. Chantal suggests for U7 (3,4,5,6 years old): to separate U5s and U7s. Tim Horton jerseys for the kids, that will be there game day jerseys, and we will pay to have them crested. Everyone agrees that perhaps our U7 model needs improvement.

U9 – Jess collecting jerseys.

U11 – Danielle collecting jerseys.

U13 – Sara collecting jerseys.

U15 – Kip collecting jerseys.

U18 – Cynthia final games tomorrow at 630 in Warren, both teams playing for bronze.

REP – Jenn complaints and stuff happening at rep level. Unequal ice time, bullying happening in the team.

## **8.Items for Discussion**

Chantal L: will open registration for prep and tryouts, seeing as there is a tight time frame around the prep sessions. 60\$ for prep and 60\$ for tryouts, in HCR. She will try and do 2 packages, 1 tryout only and then other includes prep and tryouts. We won't allow only registrants for prep only.

May 3<sup>rd</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> U11 and U13

May 5<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> U15 and U18

Sara mentioned utilizing morning ice times, as ice availability seems to be problematic at times. Some teams have 2 prime time ice slots, when other teams are forced to practice 8am 2x a week. It was suggested the Rep team's 2<sup>nd</sup> practice be a morning one. Most seemed to agree with this idea. To be revisited when the ice booking practices happen for next year.

**Adjournment:** 8h25PM