



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

### EXECUTIVE MEETING

Date: Sunday February 23rd, 2025 @6:00pm

Location: Sports Hall of Fame

#### **Attendance**

**Present:** Chantal Girard, Jess Primok, Troy Lefebvre, Steve Doucette, Danielle Gladu, Sara Gaudette, Jenn Gaudette, Cyn Noel Lafond, Pierre Lafond, Mel Ayotte, Gwyn, Kip (on call)

**Regrets:** Chantal Lepage

**Call to Order:** Meeting called to order at 6:06 PM.

#### **Approval of Agenda**

Motion to approve: Steve Doucette

Seconded by: Jess Primok

Carried.

#### **Approval of Last Meeting Minutes**

Motion to approve: Danielle Gladu

Seconded by: Mel Ayotte

Carried.

#### **President's Report**

- Discussion on board meeting schedule: Meetings will alternate between Mondays and Sundays. Invitations will be sent to members accordingly.
- **Playoff Updates:** NDHL playoffs are underway. U9 schedule being finalized. We are hosting U11 HL this upcoming weekend and U13A at the end of March.
- **U9 format:** potential format for next season includes splitting the ice into two games per rink.

- **NOHA Updates:** All rep team spots filled for current teams/associations. Current teams: U11, U13, U15, U18 rep. Potential U9 Tier 1 team. No U16A this year or next.
- **Suspensions:** Concern over increasing suspensions. Convenors to remind coaches to finish the season on a positive note.
- **Tournament Success:** U13 HL team won and advanced to SuperSunday.
- **Upcoming Playoff Events:**
  - U11 West: Next weekend.
  - U13A: End of March. Volunteers needed.
- **New Motion proposed for NDHL meeting:** Proposal to eliminate individual player point standings on NDHL website and Gamesheet. Troy will be bringing this forward at the meeting tomorrow.

### Treasurer's Report

- **Account Balance:** \$143,585.61
- Please note this includes funds from recent tournament profits.

### Correspondence

- No new correspondence.

### Committee & Convenor Updates

#### Finance Committee:

- Accountant to provide guidance on incorporation, costs, and necessary financial procedures.
- Exploring accounting software options.
- Mel and Troy to meet with accountants within two weeks.
- HST exemption due to members being under 14 years old.

#### Disciplinary Committee:

- No new updates.

#### Property & Equipment Committee:

- Convenors to collect jerseys from teams/managers.
- Pucks and other equipment to be gathered as well.

#### Publicity, Fundraising & Sponsorship Committee:

- **Girls Night 2025:** Scheduled for March 3rd, 2025 (6-8 PM).
  - Extra insurance secured.
  - Hosted with WNCHC.
  - Activities: Drum Fit, Zumba, smoothie station, mindfulness station.

- Some board members purchasing pink toques for the event, and will be required to pay.

#### **Timekeeping & Officiating Committee:**

- Summer training for new timekeepers under consideration.
- Potential training during 3-on-3, 4-on-4, or tryouts.
- Timekeeper lists to be categorized (House League & Rep).

#### **Release Committee:**

- No new updates.

#### **Tournament Committee:**

- **Expenses:** \$30,324
- **Revenue:** \$55,140
- **Profit:** \$24,815
- Awaiting additional hotel sponsorship funds from Sportsheadz.
- EMT sent \$200 refunds to teams that volunteered.

#### **Policy Committee:**

- Proposal for a full board meeting to review policies before the AGM, after rep playoffs.

#### **Coach & Player Selection Committee:**

- **Spring Tryouts:** Discussion ongoing about scheduling and logistics with municipality.
- Special meeting with the town on Monday to finalize details.
- Considering using Verner rink for tryouts.
- 3-on-3 or 4-on-4 programs may be implemented.
- August user group meeting to include discussion on spring tryouts, which took place last August but still having difficulties.

#### **Convenor Committee:**

- **Head Convenors:** Jenn Gaudette & Troy Lefebvre
  - **U7:** Successful jamboree event.
  - **U9:** Playoff schedule pending.
  - **U11:** No updates, except for a distributed letter.
  - **U13:** No updates.
  - **U15:** No major updates, one retracted complaint.
  - **U18:** Rescheduled game. Addressing KL Minor Hockey concerns.
  - **Rep Hockey:** Increased suspensions noted.
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## Items for Discussion

- **NOHA Suspensions:** Concerns regarding tracking and enforcement. Some suspended players are participating in games. Will escalate the issue.
- **LNHL Players:** Best wishes extended to all LNHL participants.
- **Coach & Staff Recognition:** Gift cards for Tim Hortons to be given to coaches, managers, and trainers.
- **August Ice Time:** Consider perhaps offering 3-on-3 or additional ice time as pathways no longer need to take place, with Spring Tryouts.
- **Committee Member Conduct:** Expectations reinforced for appropriate behavior during tournaments and out-of-town events.
- **Executive Change:** Troy Lefebvre announced he will not be returning next season after completing his term.

## Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8PM

## Next Meeting:

Date & time to be determined and sent via invitation.