



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

EXECUTIVE MEETING

Date: Wednesday September 25th 2024

Location: Sports Hall of Fame

Agenda

Attendance: Chantal Girard, Jess Primok, Steve Doucette, Danielle Gladu, Jenn Gaudette, Sara Gaudette, Mel Ayotte, Troy Lefebvre, Chantal Lepage, Gwyn Paynter, Pierre Lafond, Aurel Racine (for the first part), Marc Ayotte (for the first part),

Regrets: Cynthia (scheduling meeting)

1. Call to Order: 631PM

2. Approval of Agenda: Addition to the agenda was made presentation from Aurel and Marc, municipality. Approved by: Steve Doucette and seconded by: Chantal Lepage

3. Approval of last meeting minutes: Approved by: Steve Doucette and seconded by: Chantal Girard

4. President's Report:

NOHA: representatives from every team were required to attend a meeting to get season information. The seasons is started and, they are busy. They send bulletins out, for members to read to obtain pertinent information. HCR, registering teams is the priority currently. We had 1 player up request, up to U9 documentation has been sent in, awaiting approval.

NDHL: representatives every from team were required to attend a meeting to get season information. Cynthia attended the last meeting. They want to start a discipline committee, but they haven't met yet. NDHL is now incorporated, Troy has sent in all his information. Jim Mcaplin passed away, 40+ years of volunteering, big loss.

Our U13A will play vs U13A& U12A, in Sudbury, Copper Cliff , North Bay, East Nip x2 and Sturgeon will be 1 loop. Scheduling meetings are happening this week.

It's been a really hectic here this past 3 weeks, pathways, selections etc. tryouts. We can certainly improve in some areas. Communication is key, and teamwork also. For us to be successful we must work together. Tryouts, pathways and selection are completed, teams are formed. It was suggested to use an Excel document and laptop vs paper copies for next year, smoother. It was also suggested to start a mass email group with the entire board, to come up with a 'dummy start up list' for future members etc.

5. Treasurer's Report

End of August 157 112\$ balance

Mel sends back EMT if not enough details for EMT received.

Everything is going well.

For the managers meeting, Mel has a sheet to pass along for this meeting, to ensure that everyone is on the same page.

6. Correspondence

Nothing.

7. Committee/Convenor Updates

Finance committee: nothing

Policy committee: nothing

Disciplinary committee: nothing

Property and equipment committee:

-Jersey and sock distribution

Everything was ordered, a few large goalies so had to order new jerseys. Rep Jerseys dropped off for name bars, suppose to be ready for this weekend. Gwynn will go to skaters to pick up tomorrow, 40 xsmall socks for our U7s. Saturday HL jersey handing out to most teams. There's a list in the drive for each team to track jersey handing out. House league will come this weekend to get sized. Coaches will get their stuff at the manager meetings on Sunday. Cones aren't good quality; we may need to order different ones. We will also be ordering additional nets.

Publicity/fundraising and sponsorship committee: Halloween Dance, October 25th STJO school. Meeting for that shortly. Chantal will send out email.

Time keeping officiating committee: Cyn is away. Time keeping clinic is free. Schedule is made U13s practices are both on the same day, so sharing ice would be problematic also it was stated last season that U13 do lots of skating utilize the full ice, half ice would permit them to skate as much.

Release committee: N/A

Tournament committee: meeting tomorrow

Coach/player selection committee:

-Termination of HL pathways for next season: Reaching out to Tim Lowe district rep to do spring tryouts. No 4on4, spring tryouts. 4 prep and 3 tryouts.

-Tender out for Rep pre skates for spring tryout: Request for proposal to hire someone to run the prep skates. Look for people that are willing to do it, this will be a paid position.

-House league evaluations and evaluators: a few complaints from parents. We had new evaluators, and they did their best. We have past and current coaches, players, jr, schoolteachers, OHL, NHL, every player received an evaluation if they attended selection. Lack of volunteers was certainly a contributing factor to the additional stress and pressure on the board.

Training/Skills committee: nothing. Goalie training is filling up, registrations open waiting on practice schedule coming up. Every other Sunday in Verner.
Troy has offered his time to run skills for players, once in and a while as needed.

Convenor committee:

Head convenor: nothing

U7 – Chantal wants to bring the bumpers to Sturgeon Falls from Verner. Verner wish to keep half for their U7s. There are grants for bumpers, approx. cost of 2400\$ for a set of bumpers. Pathways this weekend for U7.

Ice: Cynthia cant do the Friday for U7 as the 3rd U9 team has practice. So perhaps Saturday and Sunday morning ice time for practice.

U9 – 3 teams being made for this division.

U11 – Complaints about large teams.

U13 – nothing.

U15 – nothing.

U18 – nothing.

REP – nothing. U9 Tier 1 folded, and we now have U18A team.

8. Items for Discussion

8.1 Refunds for registration: Players that left the association get their refunds via EMT. Let Mel know who and how much. Change the constitution to reflect no refunds if they leave.

8.2 Folded A team tryout: fees. U9s and U16s teams folded: for U9 yes and not U16, as all U16s were offered a spot on the team. It will be done via cash for parents to come and pick up their refunds to simply for Mel.

Motion proposed to Refund for all U9 players: All in favor

8.3 Registration closed – closed down.

8.4 Shared ice for other teams (ex: U13+): might not be possible due to being on the same day.

8.5 Aurel and Marc from arena: They will attend our monthly meetings to develop a solid partnership. To ensure things are the arena run smoothly for all. They have had 2 health and safety concerns with the Zamboni doors. They will be adding a gate/chain or barrier to eliminate traffic around the Zamboni doors, for their safety and the safety of the people at the arena. A reminder to coaches or on ice people, to close all doors tightly after their ice time to help the Zamboni pass smoother. Also noted to get off by the 50-minute mark, to ensure enough time for floods between rentals. Suggested that the U7 players use both doors to exit to save on time. They will make WNMHA bookings clearer to ensure enough dressing rooms etc. ex: U7s need 2 + 1 girls to accommodate 40 kids. Reminder to coaches and bench staff about dressing room cleanliness. They don't have time to sweep the rooms as they are peeling tape off the floors, hooks and from the toilet.

9. Adjournment 9h20PM