

Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Association Meeting Minutes October 7, 2016 6:30 p.m. Mezz. @ ES Arena

In Attendance:

Joey Albelleira, Mike Humphrey, Lorri Arnold, Lynn Humphreys, Mike Gallagher, Jason St. Hilaire, Janie Conrod, Doug Gallant, Calvin O'Driscoll, Chelsea Burgess, Gina Dunn, Ken Drapeau, Danny Faulkner, Andrew Lowery, Lori Bartkiw, Melissa Arnold

Regrets:

Anne Bennett

Business:

- 1) Meeting began with a review of the code of conduct for members of the executive. It was reiterated that members must conduct themselves in a professional manner at all times as we are representing the association in public. Joey A. read excerpts from the ESMHA policy manual regarding professionalism and code of conduct. He also recommended additional changes be made at a later time. All members agreed that the code of conduct must be followed and to consider changes/additions at a later time.
- 2) A concern was raised regarding the fact that female players do not have their own change room at the ES Arena. The room that was once allocated for females has become the referees' room. Hockey Canada stated that the refs must have a change room with access to a shower. It was decided that for now, females will get the current refs room back for their use. The refs will use the big change room except when it conflicts with the Junior C team using that room. When the conflict occurs, the refs will use the small change room. Joey A. will discuss the situation with Robert Knox as well.
- 3) Several issues with the room used to store jerseys were brought forward. It was discussed how many of the new jerseys developed mold over the summer as well as the fact the room is not big enough to store everything. Joey A. mentioned that he had been talking to Lee Theriault of Honeycomb Storage in Chezzetcook regarding the possibility of ESMHA renting a unit for jersey and equipment storage. Doing so would eliminate having jerseys stored in various places as well as help prolong the life of the jerseys.

Joey A. asked permission to proceed with further talks with Lee T regarding pricing, size, etc. All members agreed. Mike G. suggested placing a dehumidifier in the current room as an alternate solution.

- 4) Janie C. discussed issues she was having with finalizing the Atom "A" roster. She had resubmitted the information and Joey A. will follow up with it.
- 5) A grocery store had requested a letter from the Bantam "B" team stating that ESMHA carry \$5 million liability for fundraising events before it would allow the team to fundraise on its premises. Unfortunately, ESMHA does not carry that much insurance so is unable to provide the letter. Joey A. will talk to other associations to see what they are doing in this particular situation.
- 6) Tim Flemming resigned as budget co-ordinator. Joey A. will fill in until a replacement can be found.
- 7) Information for coordinators to pass along to the managers in their divisions:
 - Joey A. will provide the letters to open up bank accounts after approving submitted team budgets.
 - Deadlines for team rosters are approaching for all levels so team lists must be handed it to Janie C. as soon as possible. She will also get permits for the teams until a manager is in place.
 - Lynn H. mentioned that she will be away from October 18 24, 2016 so will be unable to provide advances to teams looking to book tournaments. Coordinators are to relay the information to the managers.
 - Coordinators are to also ask teams to inform Ken D. if they want to be a part of the extra ice rotation as Ken D. needs to get it going as soon as possible.
 - A step by step guide is being drawn up for managers to follow. Mike G. suggested that items should be taken directly from the policy manual.
 - A date for the coaches/managers meeting will be finalized as soon as possible.
 - Coaches and managers will need to have a Criminal Records Checks completed.
 - Development weekend will be the first weekend in November. Marie Bowness and Jaro Sevick have been booked for this weekend.
- 8) Discussion was held regarding the six extra hours of ice the association purchased this year. Concerns were voiced about being unable to sell it. It was agreed that teams in ESMHA would get the first chance to buy the slots and if need be, then they could be sold to other associations and organizations.

- It was agreed to sell Gaetz Brook Junior High ice during the week of October 17 as they need to complete their hockey tryouts.
- 9) Janie C. confirmed that there are 333 players registered with ESMHA for the 2016-2017 hockey season.
- 10) Cleves is fully stocked with apparel for ESMHA's teams.
 - They have 150 pairs of socks in stock.
 - They have guaranteed a good turnaround time for name bars and jerseys.
 - Each team is receiving a complimentary puck bag.
 - Cleves is now allowing a 10% off any hockey item (sale or regular price) to members of the association with a 3% rebate to ESMHA.
 - It was confirmed that the ship logo would be used on some items and "Mariners Hockey" would be used on other items as the goal is to standardize items.
- 11) Andrew L. reviewed and explained the evaluation process used during tryouts so all members would understand how it was done and can pass along the information to others when questioned on it.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:04 p.m.