

Nepean Girls Hockey Association

2018-2019 Board Meeting Minutes

Date: September 27, 2018

Time: 7:35 pm

Place: Minto Rec Center: Echo Room

Present: Les Banks, Karla Clarke, Marty White, Michelle McDonell, Stephen Bent, Gerard Gagnon, Wendy Baldin, Keith McKewen, Jarrett Thompson.

Regrets: Tony Matson, Tracey Gillies,

June and August Minutes - approved – Karla/Wendy

1.0 Call to Order

2.0 Meeting called to order at 7:30 p.m. – Chaired by Les

3.0 Reports

Finance – Tony Matson

Absent - No report

Karla:

- Questions around Goalie Development – Amped will have listings of coaches /goalies. When our goalies sign up for sessions, they will cross reference to the teams.
- Clothing – competitive teams are almost done.
- PW Jerseys – Black and Red are completely done. Once invoice is settled, the jerseys will be provided.
- House League – Investigating having an on-line system set up, allowing each player to purchase their own items.
- Next year Midget and PW – would like to have team budget and requirements on line prior to try outs so players / families understand the full commitment required.
- We need to revisit socks for next year with the Chicago Blackhawks stripes.

Marty

- Ice Schedule – lots of questions regarding the quantity of shared ice practices. Ron Graham will be hosting a coaches meeting on October 3rd will explain the rationale.
- Novice and Atom will get more shared ice throughout the season. Next year we will build this into the coaching philosophy so coaches have an understanding of what to expect for each level. The intent is for coaches to work together versus each team having a half ice practice. This is to help the coaches teach skills, small area movements, also issue with ice availability.
- Photo's – everything needs to be paid in advance, or cash. Some teams have been moved around to accommodate the various halls. Picture date is September 29th/30th.

- Our social media is doing an amazing job pushing out information. Increasing our digital presence.
- Sponsorship form is on the website for any teams looking for sponsorship requests.
- Thanksgiving Weekend –Saturday is blacked out after 2pm, Sunday is blacked out and Monday night is blacked out.
- Atom and Novice, Convener has stepped down.

Vice President (Operation) – Les Banks

- Getting the rinks back on line as of Monday – and will start to work on a longer term schedule.
- Ice was released today until October 5th.
- Currently on the 26th Amendment of the ice contracts.
- Parents should be contacting the Association and not the City or OD for ice scheduling questions.

Competitive Director – Keith

- Scheduled meetings September 11/12th – No major concerns.
- Atom A/AA and Peewee A/AA are a combined weighted division.
- Teams must have a roster approved before commencing any games. OW is tracking teams that do not adhere to this rule. Memo to coaches next year - don't play unless you have a signed roster.
- MCC was incorrectly accused of playing a game without an approved roster. Another association entered the wrong team number in IVR.
- OW - Online handbook isn't up to date.
- Manager / Coaches need a checklist – waiver form, IVRnet access, IMS details, etc. Gerard will write a check list.
- Manager meeting will be scheduled.
- Very good feedback at the Peewee House level at sort outs.
- Ron Graham to host meeting on October 3rd at Manordale Community Center for coaches.
 - Agenda Items:
 - season planning
 - practice planning
 - shared ice practices
 - Mandatory for coaches. Invite on ice staff too.
- Dave Hunter and Keith and found an email storage solution. This will be implemented in the next month.
- Novice Convener has stepped down. The Association is now looking for a volunteer.
- Need a committee for Novice half ice program details.
- Competitive Novice Program for 2019-2020 Proposal:
 - 16 players and 2 goalies per team
 - Visiting teams switch ends at half
 - Need other associations to agree to a team.
 - Jarrett to ask other association if they are on board.
 - Jarrett to confirm with OWHA if they approve.

Registration – Gerard

- Lots of question about duplication of staff for insurance purposes. The process is only one team pays or the cost is split, etc.
- Conveners will review house league bench staff.
- 942 registered players (30 more than last year).
- Senior A Team is registered – 2860 Team number (12-14 players). This senior team is meant for players who are past the age limit of Midget and enables them to continue to play and represent the Wildcats.
- 51 Fundamental players currently registered – this system will re-open to allow for additional registrations.
- ~5% growth this year in our membership.
- Gerard will create a list of top 5 Best Practice Tactics for 2019/2020 Season.

Director Policy, Risk & Safety– Stephen Bent:

- Senior A Team – this will require the review of the Formation of Competitive Team policy as we progress with the Senior A team – this would reference age, tryouts, etc.
- Certifications – September 15th – 9 parental helpers have been D-listed from the teams for not having met the certification requirements. timelines. This has mainly Den Mom's.
- Power Up – need a spot on the system for Declaration/Attestation Forms.
- Revised Dressing Room Policy – Approved - Les & Gerard.
- Safety – Work on the Website for player safety aspect.

Director of House League – Tracey – No Update

Wendy

- Tournament is up and running - waiting for ice allocation.
- Registration is open – 7 outside Midget teams have already registered
- This year the house league and competitive divisions are on separate weekends. This assists with the securing referees and ice.

Miscellaneous:

- Les will talk to the City about getting a mailbox at Minto

Committee's:

4.0 Adjournment 10:00pm

5.0 Next Meeting

- October 17, 2018