

Winkler Minor Hockey Association AGM Meeting Minutes  
April 16, 2012  
Winkler Arena

1. Call to order at 7:00
2. Adoption of agenda. Motion to accept agenda – Cindy Fehr  
Seconded – Eva Hildebrandt - Carried
3. Appointment of Scrutineers – Jake Peters & Mark Sawatzky
4. Review Minutes from last AGM- no business arising from minutes.
5. Presidents Report – Chris presented. Questions, comments. None
6. Registrars Report – Lisa presented. Questions, comments. None
7. Treasurers Report – Chad presented. Questions, comments. None
8. Fundraising Report – Gerald presented. Questions, comments. None
9. Booth Liaison's Report – Lori presented. Questions, comments. None
10. Coaches Report – James presented.
  - Jake Peters asked what we have available to develop our coaches. Discussion.
  - Mark Sawatzky expressed concern with the Bantam coach not having enough help for practices and games. Expressed he felt the exec would handle the concern, wondered if we were aware of the issue.
  - Jeremy Matuszewski asked if we evaluate the coaches at year end. Asked if we thought the kids had developed this year. Could we look at some sort of evaluation for next season possibly mid season and at end so we could mentor the coaches that are struggling and fix any issues that teams may have. Possibly meet with the parents of each team mid season to see what their views are on how things are going. Discussion
  - Jeremy Matuszewski asked about forcing teams to double up ice times. Mentioned that it doesn't have to be same age groups sharing ice times, it could be Bantam one half and Peewee the other half.
  - Jody Penner suggested the coaches committee have a sub committee to help do research and help to mentor coaches. Get more people involved.
  - Jeremy Matuszewski mentioned that the liaisons were not seen enough, they could come to more practices etc to be available to speak to about concerns. Mentioned that maybe there could be one exec member designated to each team instead of per age group.
11. Referee's report – Chris presented. Questions, comments. None
12. Ice Schedulers report – Chris presented.
  - Elma Nuefeld asked if there was any way we could get more ice. Discussion
  - Merlin Hepner mentioned that if there was a timeslot booked for Minor Hockey but it wasn't being used, the rink staff would not let it go to a minor hockey team wanting to pay for extra ice. Asked that we look into a way to make this work, better communication between ice scheduler and arena staff.
13. Equipment report – Ben presented. Questions, comments. None

14. Tournament Report – Mark presented.

- Jake Peters asked why the tournaments had trouble getting teams to come and what we could do to help make our tournaments “the” tournaments to be at. Discussion

15. Other business

- Elma Nuefeld asked if we could move the tryouts up. Chris replied that we are moving them up one week for the coming season. Arrangements already made.

- Mandy Friesen asked that we could let new parents know about extra costs for the year as they are registering so they know what is expected before registration is done. Lori stated that we need to have children from all incomes able to play and we should help these families with kid sport applications. Jeremy suggested spreading the new kids out more in the ages that don't get tiered. Rob stated that if their registration gets covered then they would have money to put to tournaments and away game expenses.

- Kelly Ens asked if the coaches could evaluate their team for the next seasons coaches because not everyone plays to their potential during tryouts or some play really well during tryouts but not during the season when they are in a game setting. Jeremy stated it is difficult as everyone evaluates with different methods. Rob said it has been tried in the past and generally we don't receive a lot of them back.

- Carrie Klassen mentioned that it was great to have the Flyers help the teams out on the ice and Thanked the coordinator for making this available.

- Jeremy asked how we as an exec feel about the season, if we are happy with the results. Chris mentioned that we received 3 banners this year and had multiple teams go quite far in the playoffs. The exec was happy with the season. Discussion.

- Jake Peters asked if we could do something to increase booth sales because the sales were down from last year. Lisa mentioned that it was also due to not having any big events this year like we have had in the previous years. Lori mentioned that Morden has more food items on the menu but is making less money, introducing more food items not necessarily the answer.

- Kurt Ginter asked if there was any criteria set in place for coaches. Could it have a mix of major and minor parents coaching as opposed to only the one age group.

- Randy Klassen asked whether we would have 2 goalie clinics next year or just the one. James replied we are not sure if the second one will happen because the feed back and attendance on the later one were not good.

- Anna Matuszewski asked if we could run a second hitting clinic mid season as a refresher for the kids. Exec will look into this.

## 15. Elections

Chris explained that there are 7 terms available. Chris had a list of people willing to let their name stand for elections and they are : Chad Harder, Linc Bergman, Lori Penner, Mark Doell, Cindy Fehr, Bob Peters and Jody Penner. Nominations were opened to the floor.

Jeremy Matuszewski was nominated and willing to let his name stand.

Merlin Hepner motioned nominations cease, Cindy Fehr seconded. Carried.

- Chris announced new exec members. Chad Harder, Linc Bergman, Lori Penner, Mark Doell, Cindy Fehr, Bob Peters and Jody Penner
- During the counting of the ballots, a parent from the floor picked the winner of the TV. Congratulations to Anna Matuszewski on winning the TV donated by Klassens Furniture.
- Ed Penner motioned to have the ballots destroyed.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00