**Powassan Minor Hockey Association**

**Minutes**

February 7, 2016

Present: Shawn Essery, Nathan Stewart, Tammy Young, Amanda Stewart, Cally Essery, Risto Maki, Dave St. Onge, Teryn Booth, Jason Marchand, Heather Rueck, Derek Rueck, Trista Nodwell, Brian Boeckner

Regrets/Absent: Stephanie Young

1. Standing Items:

* Additions to Agenda. - no
* Review/Approval of previous meeting minutes (January 11, 2016) - approved.

Action Items from last meeting:

* Coaches Locker Decision - cost approval - $1755 - friends and family rate $644. Approved (Brian/Tammy - all in favor)
* Financial Update (Heather) - current balance = $52,612.61 - includes family hockey tournament profit $18,000 however this will change, some receipts missing (incl. alcohol). Heather shared a comparison from last and this year. This years profits were comparable to last year (noted: made more on door, less on bar, less on kitchen, ice time and ref more, paid security, dj cheaper, questioned Della doing the mix next year with groceries or buying per day, questioned door on Sunday)
* Correspondence - none

2. Business Arising:

* Tournament Updates: NOHA TOC plans progressing well.
* Nomination Committee: No responses from email sent to team Managers.
* PMHA day at the Battalion: March 3rd. Kids can wear jerseys at the game. Tykes will be participating in the mini-game.

3. New Business:

* NOHA Jason Marchand (ED for NOHA)
  + - Parent Respect in Sport: Jason did a presentation on the new initiative and it will be mandatory beginning 2016/2017. Training planned for registrar's - 1 hour online. Cost $12/family. Certificate good for all sports requiring it. Oversight integrated with HCR and must be completed before approved roster.
    - Age category change: there is no update
    - Open borders: motion and options to be released soon. This means that players can play anywhere within NOHA district without release year to year.
    - OMHA - NOHA player movement agreement: Discussed 5/6 players who have played in Powassan for 3 years. Jason to meet with ED this coming week to discuss options (ie: blanket release and/or grandfather kids who have been her for consecutive years). Expressed concern that the loss of the Almaguin kids could impact up to a total of 1- 2 teams.
    - Player safety concerns: Concerns expressed re: officials making (or not making) calls that affect the safety of the players (current = bantam rep (contact)). Recommended education re: safe vs. unsafe hits. NOHA needs to address with ref. in chief. Requested support for increased protection for players.
    - Recent PMHA suspensions: NOHA decision stands re: recent suspensions.
* Meeting with District 5 Associations: Feb.10/16 6:30pm. Nathan and Brian are going.
* Booster Club/Food Bank Alumni game: charity game, alumni vs. coaches, March 20th 3-5pm, Todd White donating dinner, 50/50 proceeds to go to food bank, sell tickets to dinner and game?, Bar open? tin for the bin (food bank)
* Unused ice time: Approximately 10 hours - teams should be billed for cancelled ice.
* Tournament Breakdowns - profits, lessons learned, plan for next season: (deferred)
* AGM date: NOHA AGM May 8th. PMHA AGM May 15th. Location TBD. Advertise: put up posters, social media sites, websites
* NDHL playoffs: Working on schedule, check website regularly. Derek to send email to managers/coaches
* Volunteer Dinner/appreciation: (deferred).
* Voodoo: 50/50 tables? Reminder re: kids can't touch $ and/or tickets.
* Jerseys
* Procedure for exchanging old jerseys for new jersey's - jerseys need to go through equipment managers to get catalogued and exchange for old jerseys.
* Keep some sets of old jerseys for tryout jerseys/ practice jerseys.
* Hopefully will have rep jerseys purchased this year and house next year.

4. Meeting Adjourned: 7:55pm March 21st, next meeting