**Powassan Minor Hockey Association**

**Minutes**

April 23, 2017

Present: Cally Essery, Shawn Essery, Derek Rueck, Heather Rueck, Della Oshell, Annette Szczygiel, Nathan Stewart, Amanda Stewart

Regrets: Teryn Booth, Brian Boeckner

**Meeting called to order at 6:34**

1. Standing Items:

* Additions to Agenda.

Photos, Releases, Combining with East Nip, Camp for Refs in Sudbury, 50/50 jersey, Fish Fry

Review/Approval of previous meeting minutes (March 22, 2017)

Approve minutes - Della, seconded by Heather

* Financial Update (Heather)

$25627 is account balance - money still owing from Bantam C, Atom Rep, NDHL

* Correspondence

-WF Trappers and North Bay Trappers in talks of merging associations - have invited other associations who would like to join them.

-News release from Hockey Canada - new policy mandates initiation age receives appropriate training (half ice surface etc. )

-Referees association - emailed saying we could choose not to use them but they assigned 392 games for Powassan (not including tournaments), Shawn is questioning this?? Seems high? May have included every game Powassan played (even if not home), if we could find a volunteer who would be willing to assign referees then we could forgo that fee, Cally to call ref scheduler to discuss

2. Business Arising: (deferred from last meeting and/or follow up needed)

* Ice cost/plan for 2017/2018 rep and house (Derek)

-Coaches decision pretty much unanimous that they want to schedule own ice and not share. Teams will all get the same number of hours (28) and beyond that, it is paid for by the team. Coaches can add this into their financial plan at beginning of the year so parents know up front.

* Do we have PMHA representation for the AGM in May?

May 6th - Cally told them 5 would attend - Cally and Derek are attending.

* Registration price for 2017/2018 - what are the new fees?

New ice fee $110ish. Possibility of decreasing parent fee by $25 but increasing registration fee by $25. Therefore registration fee would stay status quo. Tyke fee dropping to $250 (no parent fee)

**\*All in favour - passed**

* Pick dates for hockey carnival/registration

-To be determined next meeting

3. New Business:

* Vote for by-law additions (Cally)

**-Coaching Selection Criteria: Reference checks be completed for all coaches (previous team parents and/or associations, )**

**-Adding AP procedure: AP procedure flow of communication**

**1. Speak with coach for permission,**

**2. Consult parents and complete necessary forms,**

**- Fundraising Policy: All fundraising must be approved by PMHA executive prior to fundraising**

**- Closing Registration Date Dec.1st of each year, at the discretion of PMHA executive**

\*\* All in favour - passed

* review of NOHA constitution changes

-Executive nominations and schedule of events received by Cally: A few changes including entering a 2nd team into NOHA is permitted if approved by NOHA

-WF asking that because they have AAA, they want the option to not have a AA team (right now they have to have the level below)

-Initiation teams have at least **one qualified coach per 8 players** - everyone else on ice needs Respect in Sport and CRC

-Sudbury MH - each player registering with NOHA have option of wearing mouth guards, not mandatory

-NOHA executive - House League TOC 13 min periods for all divisions

* coaches meeting feedback

-went well, did not get much feedback, positive feedback, try having a couple more throughout year to discuss concerns etc., possibly 2 mandatory out of 4, discussed mentoring program,

* money for more jerseys?

-Almost $5000 to be deposited and there is $3416 already

-not sure about teams for next year so going to wait to order until Fall

* Fish Fry June 19th

-Shawn, Cally, Derek, Heather, Nathan, Amanda

AA Releases: Not sure about Peewee Rep or Bantam Rep in PMHA, regardless, they don't play in our loop so we would have to release if asked.

Combining with East Nipissing: Shawn ran 3 skates and 5 East Nips came out. Significant interest in Powassan, Shawn feels we will have numbers for House and Rep, Meeting tomorrow to figure out numbers at all levels, Bantam = no goalie, Peewee = looking good - 18 skaters and 4 goalies, depends on AAA and Almaguin kids,

Photos: Shanna Wray $425 a team but $325 for whole association, no per player package, she gives CD to manager of team who lends to parents to print off what they want, worried about parents not wanting pics or to pay, most not in favour, will look into other options, \* Going to put out to coaches and managers at meeting to decide if they want to schedule own or have PMHA schedule

Camp for Refs in Sudbury: couple kids invited to NOHA development camp - camp costs cover next years ref fees, cost is $372 including HST, . Decision was to make them pay $100 and PMHA would pay the rest. This will save us costs and give us some stronger local refs.

4. Next Meeting? AGM Thursday May 12, 2017

5. Meeting Adjourned: 8:30pm