



Wasaga Beach Minor Hockey Association
Box 351, Wasaga Beach, ON L9Z 1A4

MINUTES OF THE APRIL 9TH, 2018 REGULAR MEETING

The Regular Meeting of the Wasaga Beach Minor Hockey Association Executive Committee was held Monday April 9th, 2018 in the Oakview Room of the Wasaga Beach RecPlex.

ATTENDANCE

Gabriel Doré	President
Michael Mussche	Coach Liaison
Bonnie Hamilton	Registrar
Janet Farr	Treasurer
Jamie Barnett	Silver Stick Director
Sarah Collins	Local League Rep
Kathy Walden	Vice-President
Steve Everton	Referee in Chief
Tanya Willems Graver	Parent Rep – Scheduling
Glenda Frazer	Fundraising Chairperson

ABSENT

Danica Perkins	Secretary
Dave Farr	Risk Management Officer
Rick Collins	Equipment Manager
Rob Creary	Parent Rep - Purchasing

CALL TO ORDER

Res. #18-04-01

Discussion. Nil.

Moved By:	Tanya Willems Graver
Seconded By:	Sarah Collins

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the regular meeting for April 9th, 2018 of the Executive Committee of the Wasaga Beach Minor Hockey Association is in session at 6:35pm.

Carried

AGENDA

Res. #18-04-02

Discussion. An agenda had been circulated by the secretary prior to the meeting. A discussion of a proposal by the Referee-in-Chief was added to the New Business section of the agenda. The amended agenda will be posted on the website following the meeting.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the proposed agenda is approved as amended.

Moved By: Sarah Collins
Seconded By: Tanya Willems Graver

Carried

MINUTES OF THE MARCH 5th, 2018 REGULAR MEETING

Res. #18-04-03

Discussion. Nil.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes from the regular meeting minutes of March 5th, 2018 are approved as presented.

Moved By: Bonnie Hamilton
Seconded By: Janet Farr

Carried

TREASURER REPORT

Discussion. The Treasurer had not prepared a disbursement report prior to the meeting. She stated that she would have the association's financial statements ready prior to the AGM and would distribute them electronically to all Executive members a few days prior to the AGM to ensure that all members would be familiar with their content and be ready to answer any questions from the membership. Some members of the Executive discussed the possibility of adding an e-Transfer capability to allow the association to accept electronic payments for registration fees. It is believed that the association's banking arrangements do not allow for the acceptance of electronic transfers and that a personal bank account would have to be used for this purpose. Consequently, the proposal was abandoned for the time being.

GBTLL REPORT

Discussion. The Local League Representative presented the highlights of the last meeting of the season and the league's AGM. Minutes of this meeting/AGM will be distributed under separate cover to all Executive members.

INITIATION PROGRAM REGISTRATION**Res. #2018-04-04**

Discussion. As a result of the Local League Representative's report, the Executive discussed the impact of accepting pre-school aged (i.e. 3 and 4 years old) players in the Initiation Program (i.e. CHIP). These players require more supervision on the ice and are not allowed to participate in activities that require travel permits (e.g. games against other centers). As seen in the 2017-2018 season, there is a huge demand from this age group due to the low registration fees that the WBMHA charges. Even with the fee increase passed at the last meeting, the WBMHA will remain the cheaper option for these players who often use the CHIP program as a means to learn how to skate. There are other options in the local area for these players to learn how to skate, which wouldn't put as much pressure on the WBMHA.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT CHIP registration for 2018-2019 will be limited to players born in 2012 and 2013 as well as those players born in 2014 who were registered and rostered in WBMHA in 2017-2018.

Moved By: Jamie Barnett
Seconded By: Michael Mussche

Carried**OMHA REP REPORT**

Discussion. The last meeting of the season is scheduled for April 18th and the minutes from that meeting will be distributed to the Executive committee members under separate cover when they are available.

FUNDRAISING REPORT

Discussion. The Fundraising and Sponsorship Chairperson thanked everyone for their participation in the fundraising activities organized this season.

COMMUNITY HUB STEERING COMMITTEE

Discussion. The President stated that he had been approved by the Town of Wasaga Beach to be a standing member of the Community Hub Steering Committee that will advise Council on the requirements, design, implementation, and programming for the new Community Hub projects. The first meeting of this committee is not expected until sometime in May. The President stated that the new Executive will have to decide on who participates in the activities of this committee but that the President would attend the first few meetings in order to gauge the time commitment necessary and the level of involvement that the committee will have with the WBMHA. The President will report back at every Executive meeting on the activities of the Community Hub Steering Committee.

RESIGNATION OF ROB CREARY

Res. #18-04-05

Discussion. The President read a short email in-camera from Rob Creary to the Executive members.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Executive accepts the resignation of Rob Creary as Parent Rep – Purchasing.

Moved By: Jamie Barnett
Seconded By: Tanya Willems Graver

Carried

RULES OF OPERATION

Res. #18-04-06

Discussion. The President had circulated a marked-up version of the Rules of Operation to the Executive members ahead of the meeting and went over the proposed changes, most of which being editorial in nature. Some areas will require further amendment, but the Executive decided to approve the propose as-is first and then make subsequent amendments through separate resolutions.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Rules of Operation for the 2017-2018 season are approved as proposed.

Moved By: Janet Farr
Seconded By: Sarah Collins

Carried

UNDERAGE PLAYERS MOVEMENT

Res.# 18-04-07

Discussion. A requirement of the implementation of the new Hockey Canada, Ontario Hockey Federation, and Ontario Minor Hockey Association rules surrounding programming for 5 to 8

year old players is that each association must develop their own set of criteria/guidelines in support of underage players moving up to other divisions. Several options were considered by the Executive, and ultimately the proposed wording from the Treasurer will be used.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Section 5.1 of the Rules of Operation is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

5.2 Underage Players

5.2.9 The Executive, at its discretion, and always taking player safety into consideration, may choose to allow underage players in a higher division in order to better balance player numbers between divisions. However, notwithstanding the preceding:

- a. The WBMHA does not actively support or promote the fast tracking of players upwards between age divisions;*
- b. The Executive will only consider fast tracking under exceptional circumstances, not on a routine basis;*
- c. Size alone is not determinate if a player has the capabilities to succeed in a higher division;*
- d. The player must clearly exhibit maturity beyond that of his peers;*
- e. The player's skill level must be a stage where he/she exceeds the minimum requirements for the next age division;*
- f. It is expected that upon evaluation in his/her own division, the player should easily be a top-echelon player, if not placed directly on the top;*
- g. The decision of the Executive is final and not subject to appeal.*

5.2.10 Applications must be received a minimum of 14 days prior to the tryouts (for Rep) or Player Selection (for Local League) and must include the following supporting documents:

- a. Player Resume that includes:*
 - i) List of teams and category*
 - ii) List of additional programs or clinics attended.*
- b. Previous coach's endorsement detailing:*

- i) *Skills assessment (both acquired and lacking)*
- ii) *Summary of player development through past season*
- iii) *Team systems and situational awareness*
- c. *Coach Liaison report detailing:*
 - i) *Player maturity and conduct*
 - ii) *Rapport with other players*
 - iii) *Any discipline issues*
 - iv) *Level of parental involvement*

5.2.11 All players may move up one age division into Local League or Rep programs provided that they are not taking the spot of a player in that age group. Any underage player shall be evaluated before he/she can be registered with the higher age group. Consideration will be given to the players of the higher age group first. Final decision lies with the WBMHA Executive.

Moved By: Jamie Barnett
Seconded By: Michael Mussche

Carried

REP TRYOUTS

Res. #2018-04-08

Discussion. The Executive discussed the addition of a requirement in the Rules of Operation to ensure that players who miss the Rep tryouts for acceptable reasons (i.e. those listed in Section 5.2.4 of the Rules of Operation) are permitted to tryout but only under specified conditions.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Section 5.2.9 of the Rules of Operation is added to read:

5.2.9 In the event that a player requires a tryout as a result of one of the conditions listed in paragraph 5.2.4, this tryout must be conducted during a practice with the knowledge of the Executive.

Moved By: Jamie Barnett
Seconded By: Kathy Walden

Carried

REFEREE SALARY**Res.# 18-04-09**

Discussion. The Referee-in-Chief provided two (2) proposals found in Annex A to these minutes for consideration by the Executive. The rationale behind both proposals is to incentivize referees to stay in Wasaga Beach given the competition for their services from neighboring centers, especially Elmvale. While some members of the Executive were supportive of these proposals, others expressed significant concerns with the way that small associations were left to fend for themselves by the OMHA to negotiate with a smaller and smaller number of referees who are critical to hockey operations. In the absence of a coordinated approach involving all of the neighboring centers, this is not a sustainable situation for small centers. Ultimately, the Executive elected to consider a variation of the second proposal at this time.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the WBMHA will reimburse home referees for their re-certification fees, the fees associated with obtaining a Criminal Record Check (including finger printing) after 20 games. This policy will be re-assessed at the end of the 2018-2019 season.

Moved By: Jamie Barnett
Seconded By: Tanya Willems Graver


Carried**ADJOURNMENT****Res.#18-04-10**

Discussion. There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting is the AGM scheduled for April 29th, 2018. The next Regular Meeting will be the changeover meeting for the new Executive and will be held on May 14th, 2018 at the Oakview Room of the RecPlex.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting is adjourned at 9:30 pm.

Moved By: Janet Farr
Seconded By: Jamie Barnett

Carried

Gabriel Doré, President

Danica Perkins, Secretary

Annex A – Referee Proposals**2 Proposals to keep Wasaga Home Referees****Proposal 1- Rate increase.**

Reasoning: other centers have increase to keep from losing officials. This is needed for wasaga otherwise we will be playing additional mileage fees to get referees from other centers to support our schedules

				Proposed referee rate for 2018/19 season going forward.					
Divisions		period lengths	Current OHMA Book Rate	Wasaga Rate (last 2 seasons)		New Rate	vs. book rate	vs. current season	Single Game Bonus
Tyke	Referee	10-10-20 run time	23	25	+2	25	+2	no change	Both Referee and/or Linesman will receive an extra \$\$ for any single game assignments
Novice	Referee	10-10-15	21	24	+3	26	+5	+2	
Atom	Referee	10-10-15	22	25	+3	28	+5	+2	
Peewee	Referee	10-15-15	27	30	+3	32	+5	+2	
Bantam	Referee	10-15-15	35	38	+3	41	+6	+3	
Bantam	Linesman	10-15-15	27	30	+3	32	+5	+2	
Midget	Referee	10-15-15	35	38	+3	42	+7	+4	
Midget	Linesman	10-15-15	27	30	+3	33	+6	+3	

Proposal 2: Course and Police Background check re-imbursement

Re-Clinic and Police background check reimbursement

Reasoning: Referee do get paid, but there are expenses in order from them to referee

Here are some basic expenses to consider when deciding on proposal:

- 1) equipment- most referees have to replace at least one or more pieces of equipment each year, this is above the need to have skate sharpen on a regular basis.
- 2) vehicle costs to get the arena for games. (please note: referees do not get paid mileage for their home center games)
- 3) re-certification clinic each year is mandatory. (\$145/per year and additional \$60/ league for cross over)
- Note: WBMHA team staff courses are paid for. New referees also have their initial course paid for by WBMHA.
- 4) Police back-ground checks, once every 3 years- These are not free. \$25 plus because of VSC requirement most may require finger printing and additional \$58.

So in short: Just for clinics and police back ground checks. Referees are about \$175-200 in the hole before even stepping on the ice.

Proposal 2 Details:

Each of WBMHA home center officials will have both their re-certification and full police back ground check reimbursed to them each year.

Note: the amount that is reimbursed is based on the number of games each referee does.

Proposed reimbursement to be as such:

- After 10 games: 25 %
- After 25 games: 50 %
- After 45 games: 75 %
- After 70 games: 100 %

Portions of reimbursements to be made in two payments: one end of December, the other end of March