Souris Minor Hockey Board

Meeting Minutes – December 10th, 2023

Date: Sunday, December 10th, 2023

Location: SMH Board Room

Start Time: 6:04 pm End Time: 8:14 pm

Present: Mark Ryckman (President), Matt Kozak (Vice-President), Andrew Hamilton (Past President), Pam Hamilton (Registrar), Lindsay Filewich (Secretary), Brett Arbuckle (Ice Convener), Natalie Nay (Officials Coordinator), Nichole Byers Schroeder (Equipment Manager), Tristan Dietrich (Member at Large), Ken Kempthorne (Member at Large)

Regrets: Jonathan Filewich (Treasurer)

Welcome to Ken Kempthorne - newly appointed Member at Large.

Previous Meeting Minutes

Motion to:	Approve the circulated Meeting Minutes from November 20th.			
Moved by: (Name)	Seconded by: (Name)	Vote: (in favor-opposed)	Status: (Carried or Overturned)	
Matt	Brett	9-0	Carried	

Finance Report – Mark shared the financial statements provided by Jonathan.

• Reminder to put e-transfer fees under banking fees.

Motion to:	Approve the Financial Statements as shared.			
Moved by: (Name)	Seconded by: (Name)	Vote: (in favor-opposed)	Status: (Carried or Overturned)	
Tristan	Andrew	9-0	Carried	

Registration Report – Pam

- All rosters have been approved.
- All player fees are paid in full.
- Reminder to families to work your canteen shifts. Corrina will be providing updated lists.
- All teams are registered for provincials.
- Will put in a special permit for Wheat King guest coaches for a January practice.

Ice Convener Report – Brett

- 2nd Half Schedule almost set for the U13 team.
- 2nd Half Scheduling meeting for the U11 team on December 18th.

Officials Coordinator Report - Natalie

- Thank the Stripes weekend was Dec. 2-3rd. Goodies were provided in the officials' room and posters were put up around the arena.
- Waiting for engraving to be finished to do the draw for the young officials prize pack.
- Congratulations to Lauren Nay for winning Most Improved Official for the Westman South Region.
- Starting to work on TOC schedule, there will be 4 official teams for each game with some training taking place.
- There will be 2 officials per game for the UHC U9 games.

Equipment Manager Report – Nichole

• No updates at this time.

Sponsorship – Mark shared an update from Jonathan

- All sponsor plaques have been handed out, except the Souris-Glenwood Foundation which will be done December 14th.
- The sponsor display board is here. It cannot be permanently installed in the arena so it will need to be set out for SMH events and then put away after.
- Managers will be notified that the display board will be stored in the SMH office and to please put it out for any games, tournaments, events, etc. and then put it away afterwards.
- Discussion around possible sponsor logos on the U9 boards -> try to keep this in mind for next year.

Stick Fitting Night Update – Mark shared an update from Jonathan

- Overall, the stick fitting information night with Travis from Source for Sports went well, there were lots of good questions from parents.
- The bank of sticks purchased by SMH are ready for pick up and Tristan will get them.
- Notes for future events it takes about 3-5 minutes to measure each child for a stick. It would be helpful to have families RSVP so Travis knows if he needs to bring additional employees. It was tricky to do sales at the same time as fitting. The feedback from Travis was positive and he would be willing to do something similar again in the future.

UHC Update - Pam

- The banners were picked up.
- There will be a U9 parent meeting December 19th to continue planning and preparation.
- Michelle Wipf will be painting the front windows/doors of the complex for the event.
- The tournament will use the online Gamesheet website.
- Discussion about possible digital score clock for the North end games.
- Exploring pricing of mats and partitions for the hall dressing rooms (Mark and Tristan).
- SMH may be charged for renting the hall that weekend and we might be responsible for having volunteers monitor / clean the hall each day. Waiting to hear more from Carole.
- Idea of having a Breakfast Club fundraiser one morning by selling breakfast out of the hall kitchen. Unfortunately, the hall kitchen might be under renovations at this time.
- Discussion around trying to find two different whistle pitches for the two rinks to help minimize confusion for the players. Tristan will look into it.
- Discussion around a possible laser light show for each team's first game, the championship games, opening ceremonies, etc. Tristen will look into it.

Constitution Review

• The Duties of the Executive Members section was reviewed.

Trophies/Medals – Matt

- Discussion on SMH paying for tournament trophies / medals.
- This would be a good use of sponsorship money next year. Each team would get funds to cover trophies/medals/banners of their choice for their home tournament.

Tournament Floats – Tristan

• Reminder that managers can request Tournament Floats. A Motion was moved and carried in the October 15th meeting for this to happen.

Insurance for Breakfast Club – Pam

- Initial research estimates insurance cost for Breakfast Club to be around \$300.00 for the year. This would cover all participants.
- Pam will check in with an advisor for more specific details.

Internet Safety Presentation (Val Caldwell) – Mark

• Tuesday, January 9th.

Elks T-Shirts – Tristan and Andrew

• DBC Promo has the shirts ready to go. They will be picked up this week and passed on to managers to pass out to their teams.

Next Meeting - Monday, January 15th, 7:00 pm at the SMH Board Room

Motion to:	Adjourn the meeting.			
Moved by: (Name)	Seconded by: (Name)	Vote: (in favor-opposed)	Status: (Carried or Overturned)	
Pam	Natalie	9-0	Carried	