

## **KDMHA Executive Meeting October 23, 2007**

### **Attendees:**

Randy Cavill	Wade Hobbs	Lyndon Sands
Will Trayner	Lee Sheets	Kim Ferrin (late arrival)
Angela Meulenbroek	Sheila Eckford	Lou Matura (late arrival)
Eric Lavoie	Albert Schoonderbeek	
Tammy Varin	Joanne Hendry	

Meeting commenced at 7:00 pm.

### **Previous Meeting Minutes**

E-mail received from IP Convenor with a request to amend the minutes from the September 25 meeting. The VP read the e-mail to the association members present and after much discussion it was determined that these comments would not be included in the minutes.

*Motion to approve minutes from September 25, 2007 meeting, as circulated, by Randy, 2nd by Angie. 6 For, 0 Against, 1 abstainer. Motion carried.*

### **Ice Schedules**

Ice practice schedule is done. Joanne prepared a cover letter to explain the schedule and will e-mail the schedule to convenors to distribute to their coaches. There is not a lot of ice available to reschedule. Each team has been given a practice each week. Reminder to convenors and coaches to review coaches' packages as they contain important information for game scheduling and rescheduling. Note: Initiation and Novice have separate schedules.

### **Registration**

- Tax refunds will be done in January '08 (all NSF cheques will be returned by then). Angie stressed how important it is that she is aware of everything that involves payments or withdrawals. Noted that there were 7 kids that dropped out of IP that she didn't have info on.
- Need all team lists for House league with goaltenders to enter in the database.
- Waiting for players to be transferred in Midget division.
- Suggested that players pay in advance for both conditioning camp and tryouts to help avoid hassle of collecting money or forms going missing. After further discussion it was left as it was with the convenors managing the list of participants and payments thus reducing number of refunds if a player decides not to attend.

### *Coach certifications*

Anyone on the bench has to have proper certification, even assistants. Angie received a call from Upper Canada with info that 2 Major Midget assistant coaches did not have coaching stream. There is 1 month leeway for House, no leniency for competitive. Angie contacted Bob who will contact the Midget coach.

### *2008-9 Registration*

- Angie will modify current info on website to reflect the following:
  - February 23 from 9:00-1:00 pm and March 29 from 9:00-1:00 pm at the Arena.
  - Early bird discounts are in effect until April 1.
  - All registrations must be received by June 30 (\$75.00 late penalty applies after June 30).
  - All new registrations need copy of birth certificate.
  - Post-dated cheques accepted, must be paid in full by August.

- All registered players from 2007-8 season will have a pre-printed form that will only need a signature and payment. These forms will be available and sorted alphabetically at registrar's table during registration.
- A huge 11x17 poster will be posted in arena with 2008-9 registration dates.
- For conditioning camp and tryouts it was suggested that players pay in advance for both to avoid forms going missing but after discussion it was determined to leave the collection of funds and forms to the convenors of each division.
- Cut-off numbers should be decided in advance. Randy suggested polling players to see who will be returning the following year by March 2008 to get an idea of numbers. Suggestion to use team lists and have coaches ask players if they will be returning. Need to decide the right number of players per team and the type of program we offer. The program we offer should be supported by the cost it takes to run it.

*Motion to form Vision Committee to discuss KMH programs and associated costs and benefits comprising of 5 people, brought forward by Randy Cavill, 2nd by Tammy. 8 For, 0 Against. Motion carried. Note: Names to be decided at the next meeting.*

### **President's Report**

- Updates from Upper Canada meeting were e-mailed to Association prior to meeting.
- Pee wee referee was suspended for 1 week (not permitted to play hockey either) because he called a game with 4 minutes remaining at coach's request. Coach has to remain behind the bench. A parent can pull their kids from the game but game can't be called by coach or referee.
- Randy will be pursuing a re-distribution at Pee wee level at the next Upper Canada meeting to bring B house down to C house level. The 2 B house to be put to 1 B house and then have 3 C house teams.

### **Vice President's Report**

- Concerns about time keeper's training. This training is mandatory next season.
- Met with Sheila for overview of the yearly practice schedule on October 15, schedule ready to go.
- Concerned with allowing players to join rep team after it has already been picked. What is the message we're sending to the kids who were the last 2 or 3 cuts? Currently there is a player that is on the Major Midget rep team but didn't follow the selection process. Noted that this player played with the Minor Midget A King's last year. It was discussed further and Randy will see to it that the player is placed on the Midget B house and then can be affiliated later as per our Tryout policy. Randy to speak to Bill McAdam to have this player placed on the Midget B house team.

### **Treasurer**

Absent with regrets but sent along report that ice bills have been received-cost \$215,000. Upper Canada League fees have been paid. \$40,000 insurance bill and District 1 bills have also been received.

**Secretary**-Nothing to report.

### **Referee-in-Chief**

- All refs assigned for October.
- Major and minor tournament assigned.
- Still need to assign November Atom tournament.
- Supervisions underway. Upper Canada goal is to have 500 supervisions performed this year.
- Suggestion to bring to Upper Canada mercy rule that if there is a span of 6 goals, the game goes to straight time. This will help to reduce injuries due to frustration.
- Lou to look into ref schedule for Atom team.

### **Ways and Means**

- Absent with regrets, e-mailed report.
- Sponsors for the new season so far: Bill Osborne Chevrolet, Canadian Tire, Giant Tiger, Proxim CarePharma, D.M. service Carpentry, Harvex Agromart, Healey Sand and Gravel, Kemptville

Building Centre, Tim Hortons and Walmar Ventilation Products. Still talking to a few other businesses so there may be one or two more. Bart attached a copy of the fundraising letter.

- Need to order new sponsor bars-Healey Sand and Gravel (38) and Proxim CarePharma (38). Calls/emails in to 3 local suppliers and expediency will take precedence.
- Caravan for Kids-initiative by the Ontario Chrysler Jeep Dodge Dealers. Bart will coordinate with Dave. Details in Novice Report.
- Trillium-Need financial statements for 06/07 season as soon as possible. Deadline for next report is November 30, we can not report late.
- Summary
  - Business Sponsors-9x\$500=\$4,500
  - Caravan for Kids-6x\$400=2,400
  - Trillium-\$3,100 final payment
- Interested in a plan to discuss effective spending of the monies we have and are receiving (e.g. perhaps proper team jerseys for novice, additional team jerseys for girls, etc.) We need to start thinking of an overall strategy as we have money now and don't want to have to pay corporate taxes on profits.

#### **Tournament Convenor**

- Absent with regrets but sent along report that the rep tournament for November 3 & 4 is now completely full and paid for. Schedules are out. First Atom Rep tournament in 3 years.
- Still waiting to see if any of the girls are interested in a tournament this season. Kim added that the girls are looking at a March break tournament.

**Equipment Convenor**-Absent.

#### **Storm Convenor**

Kim received an e-mail from a parent complaining about ice time. Kim will put together a suitable response and send it to the parent.

#### **Midget Convenor**

- Absent with regrets. Sent report stating there are no immediate issues, total of 5 teams – Major Midget, Competitive B, and 3 B House teams. All teams have coaches, assistant coaches and trainers. A few still do not have managers in place but that is not an issue.
- Issue raised in regards to late registration of players and where they should be placed. In particular players joining Kemptville from a higher league, such as a junior division or AAA.

**Bantam Convenor**-Nothing to report.

**Pewee Convenor**-Absent with regrets. Noted that everything is going as well as can be expected.

**Atom Convenor**-Nothing to report.

#### **Novice Convenor**

Absent with regrets but sent along report of a Chrysler Jeep Dodge sponsorship program with \$400.00 available to every novice house league team who wishes to participate. Team picture and Caravan Kids sponsor bar on the back of the jersey is required. Bart has been in contact with ODHA.

#### **Pre-Novice (IP) Convenor**

Absent with regrets but forwarded along her report.

- Head and assistant coaches are in place with many having completed their required courses.
- Registration is at 101 and there have been 7 requests for refunds so far.
- Some player movement occurred to facilitate the teams being of equal skill level but no anticipation of further movement.

- Parent's meetings were held this past weekend and were well received. There is one final team meeting scheduled for this weekend.
- On Sunday, the Senator's IP team (Mike Munroe, head coach) played a game of shinny between periods of the Kemptville 73s game and were treated to a tour of the dressing room. The kids and parents loved it. Daina thanked Anne Hunt for coordinating it all. The other 6 IP teams have been informed of the opportunity for their team to do this, and have been asked to contact Anne if interested.
- Schedule is complete until February 17<sup>th</sup> and shared with parents. Additional ice times were secured; 3 weeknights (2-4 pm and 1-5:30 pm) plus the other half of the ice at 6:30 am. Feedback from parents on this seasons schedule is as expected, as over half of all ice times are at either 6:30 am or 7:00 am. General comments are that ice time for 4, 5 and 6 years olds should not be the earliest of the Association allotments week after week. During parents' meetings all were encouraged to help change this by registering early for next year. Expectation is that for next season the KDMHA will have the registration numbers early enough to be able to secure the ice accordingly.

**Coach Coordinator-** Absent with regrets.

#### **New Business**

- Question answered for Affiliation-Minor midget aged players affiliated cannot play exhibition or tournaments. Automatic 5 game suspension. Randy forwarded e-mail from Upper Canada with further details.
- Lee would like to see a glass over the KDMHA bulletin board.
- Brought up that we need to spend more time on sorts and need more ice time (money collected for tryouts/conditioning camp pays for ice). Want to take a look at the number of hours allocated to goalie clinics.
- Discussion about possibility of looking at playing in a different league. As we get larger, we may benefit from playing in a large league.
- Team Pictures-need to be arranged by each team.

Meeting adjourned 9:30 p.m. Next meeting will be November 15 at South Branch School.