

**New Westminster Minor Hockey Association  
Executive Meeting**

**August 25, 2008  
Minutes**

1.0 Roll Call:

Ross Young, Robert Nasato, Bob Lapp, Keith Catton, Bud Sage, Rick Lake, Mirco Dabic, Shawn Lakusta, Colleen Ray, Vandy Britton, Donna Urry, Adrian Wijesinghe, Christel Nouwt, Randy Horton, Purn Disahjn, Leah Barrett, Janice Flintoff, Tamara Rossander

2.0 Adoption of minutes of. Aug 11, 2008. Moved by Rob, seconded Shawn, carried.

3.0 Correspondence: none

4.0 Business arising:

Hockey Now; approached us about putting stories in their paper in regards to our association, and then they would like to ask our sponsors to advertise in their paper. The benefit for the association is that it would raise awareness of our association. IF we decide to move forward someone would need to volunteer to keep track of this and have stories to put forth. We will proceed at this time; Ross will be the main contact till we see what the commitment will be.

5.0 New Business:

- There was a donation made in memory of Vasili Dabic of \$200 for Financial Aid.
- Clarification on the tryout process.

Stage 1 – There will be two evaluation camps for each group. From there we will reduce the number to 30 for a game, and after the game we will reduce the number down to 20 to continue on to Stage 2. In Peewee and Atom, there is potential for A2 team, we will have to change the numbers around a bit and see what the make up of the A2 team there. There will be ice times available to evaluate for the A2 teams. We will let everyone know that the rep tryouts are for the A1 and A2 teams. You need to try out for the A1 team and if the player doesn't make the team, then you can try out for the A2 team. We have to evaluate the talent and look at the house teams to see what strength there is there. Division managers are to keep an open mind.

Motion by Rob to make the change the policy 1.9.1.

Rob makes the motion to eliminate the top 9 and effective clauses from the policy's which will affect 2.1. 9 and will eliminate and 2.2.4 and will change 2.2.7 prior to the final selection of the effected rep team maybe named. Seconded by Rick Carried

6.0 Reports:

- 6.1 President: Division managers will need to start spread sheets for contact information for the registration system
- 6.2 VP1: The website is up and running. Once your team officials are assigned please let Rob know contact information so he can add to the website.
- 6.3 VP2: Keith is looking at adding hotels to the website, so out of town teams have a selection of hotels to look into. Programs are ready to go. The tournament draws are looking to be either 10 or 12 teams. Confirmed date for the Atom tournament is March 14<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup>, 2009. There will be a tournament meeting in October with the Division managers and team managers. Keith will have handouts for the team managers and Division managers so they are informed of the things they will need to do.
- 6.4 VP3: Working on getting safety or speakout clinics booked.
- 6.5 Treasurer: Absent
- 6.6 Registrar: We are looking at a cut off numbers 75 for Atom, 75 for Peewee. Registration issues need to be sorted out as soon as possible. Leah will talk to division managers to see where the errors are, so that they can clarify numbers of players to each division.
- 6.7 Head Coach: RPM is doing first phase of evolutions. Will talk with Division managers so to make sure they are on the same page about who is on the ice for the extra skates and running the skates. Will explore the goalie evaluation situation.
- 6.8 Referee In-Chief: Clinics are booked sept 20<sup>th</sup> class room at Douglas College Sept 13<sup>th</sup>.and ice times booked meeting sept 3, 2008. Randy is encouraging the coaches to come to the referee clinics, and the fees would be covered for them. Will get back to the executive with a budget that he would like to spend this year on the referees as a way to keep them.
- 6.9 Equipment Manager: First Aid kits need to be returned, if they are not returned they won't be able to get restocked.
- 6.10 Ice Allocator: The pre tryout skates have been pretty good so far. Looks like there is enough ice time for all divisions. Would like to see the coach's work together and share ice times to get more ice times for the teams. The communication around missed ice times needs to get out and with the division managers down to the team officials. This is something that we need to stress to all teams to turn in their ice as soon as they are aware they are not using it.
- 6.11 Referee Allocator -Janice is looking for more Second level referees.
- 6.12 Division Managers:

**-H1-2** - Hockey 1 and 2 will share the ice times, and will keep the kids at age appropriate levels.

**-H3-4** - going well

**-Atom** - There has been about 50% of the players turning out for the pre season skates. There is a lot of interest in an A2 team. Will look at the talent level and see if we can proceed.

**-Pee wee** - The numbers are a bit low but there was a good turn out for a peewee hitting clinic, and there will be another one on Sept 6<sup>th</sup>, 2008.

**-Bantam** - The numbers are worrisome. Right now it looks like 2 teams of 17 and one team of 18 players. There are two players that would like to drop down, following up with this.

**-Midget** - The registration numbers are a bit out of whack at the moment and Bob is working with Leah to get this solved.

**-Juvenile** - There are a few more players registered now, Donna is still waiting to hear back from about 30 kids. One idea is to look at sending a letter the last couple weeks of summer to get the players thinking about coming back to hockey. This would be a good suggestion for next year.

7.0 Next Meeting: Sept 15, 2008

Oct 20, 2008

Nov 10, 2008

Dec 08, 2008

Meeting adjourned