

NICKEL DISTRICT MINOR HOCKEY LEAGUE

MINUTES

MARCH 14, 2013

6:45PM

SMHA OFFICE

MEETING CALLED BY	Joe McColemen
TYPE OF MEETING	Executive meeting
FACILITATOR	Joe McColemen
NOTE TAKER	Denise Duckett
TIMEKEEPER	Joe McColemen
ATTENDEES	Joe McColemen, Denise Duckett, Steve Atkins, Glen Polsky, Crystal, Dave Laporte, Carol

Agenda topics

YEAR END PLAYOFF TOURNAMENT

JOE MCCOLEMEN

DISCUSSION	Schedule given to all members and discussion related to items that need to be completed before the weekend. Joe updated group with regards to the passcode for the rbmha office.		
Advised group that bladenet has to be completed as soon as scores are received along with penalty minutes. Rules and Regulations will be posted at each arena. Tie breaking rules will also be posted. There will be one trophy per arena to be used for pictures and returned to the executive. Teams will be allowed to keep the banner and there will be 20 gold and 20 silver medals for team members. Extra medals will be brought back to the tournament office.			
Yellow envelopes will be used for refs and timekeepers money. Joe gave the group his sign in information to be used for bladenet during the weekend.			
If there are any issues Joe has left his phone number to be contacted and if there is debate a decision can be made by President or Vice President.			
Refs will be a three man system, but at the mercy of them showing up. May have a 2 man system depending on the refs that show up. Different divisions have different pay scales for refs and linesmen.			
CONCLUSIONS	We are ahead of schedule for planning		
ACTION ITEMS:			
envelopes and money for refs and timekeepers to be completed, banners are being printed up, binders for each arena, need to have masking tape for all arenas		all members present assisted with money envelopes and schedule for Arenas are filled	

EXECUTIVE FOR NEXT SEASON

JOE MCCOLEMEN

DISCUSSION	Every Executive was asked if they were interested in remaining on the executive.		
CONCLUSIONS	All members agreed to remain		
Novice – Cookie Atom 1 – Scott Atom 2 – Carol Peewee open – Steve / need alternate (replacement; Steve willing to stay on to help only) Bantam 1 – Trevor Bantam 2 – Glen (will remain as a Convenor but would like a Division where scoring stats do not have to be kept) Midget – Joe President – Joe Treasurer – Dave Secretary – Denise Director – Crystal Director – Pam			
ACTION ITEMS:		PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
need another Convener for the Peewee division for next season		All	Open

CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGES

JOE

DISCUSSION	All proposals have to be submitted before April 7/13	
Executive proposals would have to be voted on by the Executive and submitted well before April 7 preferably. All proposals from Associations and our own Executive get sent out to the membership. All finalized proposals are voted on at the AGM		
CONCLUSIONS	Something to think about: Rules and Regulations tend to change.	
1. Game reports – need to be emailed within 24 hrs. score and penalties instead of previously faxing		
2. Schedule changes – no longer need to fax a formal report, email will be sufficient.		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Make appropriate changes through the summer and notify the membership	all	

THIS YEARS ISSUES

JOE

DISCUSSION	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Atoms 2 teams played up in Div. 1, experienced a hot game which ended early with a blow up and swearing ensued penalties were given to the Coaches. The Rebel team stayed on the ice and held a practice which caused debate. 2. Copper Cliff / Manitoulin Bantam played and there were accusations towards Al Cross and a request for fact finding was requested from the manitoulin team and no response was received. Things happened in the heat of the moment. Al Cross took it upon himself to sit out one game on his own accord. Nothing further came from this incident. 3. Elliot Lake Midget / NCHA Midget there was disparity from team. Injured players, Coach was on Ice and it carried over in to the lobby with yelling, there were 2 policemen present. The arena guy was involved in the incident; the person that was swearing the most was some relation to the an Elliot Lake player (brother?). The City filed a written complaint, there was some fact finding, the Elliot Lake parents also wrote a letter. And the individual conceded not to be present in the rink. Players spit in the arena, Suspensions and police dealt with the issue on site. No further issues after that. 	
CONCLUSIONS		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
No further actions needed		

WEAKEST TEAMS

JOE

DISCUSSION	<p>Disparity and worry about younger kids getting hurt.</p> <p>Bantam2- Blind River thought they could beat the AA teams</p> <p>- Manitoulin were frustrated by the disparity and the blowouts</p> <p>Peewee body contact in combined divisions is always a concern</p> <p>Minor Midget played in umbrella format under the NDHL, but looked after their own scheduling, etc– 3 teams minor Midget- 7 competitive teams, 2 non-competitive teams(ELake,BRiver)</p> <p>Looks like midget will be combining in Elliot Lake and Blind River for next season</p>	
CONCLUSIONS	<p>Wait and see enrolment for next year to determine the makeup of divisions next year</p> <p>Use Team review committee to observe and assist with divisions to be more competitive divisions</p> <p>Assist with proving status, better divisions, due diligence, ensure enough bodies and coaching</p>	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Review of more competitive divisions next seasons	All	

CONVENOR'S REPORT

DISCUSSION	<p>Novice – Cookie had minor housekeeping issues</p> <p>Atom - Scott new to role and will return</p> <p>Atom 2 – Carol 1 weak team</p> <p>Peewee – Steve no peewee AAA, went well, Hawks team was weak, Div 2 Blind River moved up and struggled a bit but by xmas winning. Difficulty with Bladenet scheduling</p> <p>Bantam 2 – Will run 'A' and 'B' championship, for a 4 team Division- 2 losers go back to B finals</p>	
CONCLUSIONS		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE

OLD TROPHIES

JOE

DISCUSSION	The old trophies are breaking. We now use "presentation cups" for most Divisions Bantam and Midget has numerous awards for Scoring, etc which still get used Nancy Tuttle (RBMHA) promised to look into half a showcase at Azilda Sentimental trophies Trevor suggested donated to HHOF in KL Was also suggested look at new Sudbury Hockey Hall of Fame		
CONCLUSIONS	Will get more information		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	
More information	Trevor		

CONVENOR/ PRESIDENT'S HANDBOOK

JOE

DISCUSSION	Trevor V would like to contribute putting together a handbook to assist new members. This will tie things together for people to learn these positions		
CONCLUSIONS	Will start to compile information		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	
Compile information	Joe / Trevor	open	

MINOR MIDGETS

JOE

DISCUSSION	There is no Minor Midget AAA next year (NOHA did not approve) Minor midget Elite team May come back to Midget Division Need a place to play		
CONCLUSIONS	Will have a place to play if needed		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	
	all	open	

RESTRICTING TOURNAMENTS/LENGTH OF MIDGET GAMES

JOE

DISCUSSION	Tournament restrictions are up to Associations, no tournaments during Playoffs Length of Midget games is 2 hours with 3 17 minute periods, want 14 minutes Could rule no after 8:30pm start.		
CONCLUSIONS	Board requests possible alternate time frame		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	
To look at advising no later starts for out of town games	All	Open	

NCHA PROBLEMS

GLEN

DISCUSSION	NCHA is proposing an "inner City" program for next year A level want to gauge \$1200 cap for fees, max 2 out of town tournaments Equal caliber A teams in local rink		
CONCLUSIONS	Many board members left and there will be a lot of changes to the Nickel City Association		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	

SDGHA APPLICATION FOR FULL MEMBERSHIP						JOE
DISCUSSION	SDGHA has applied for full membership No playoffs with lady wolves					
CONCLUSIONS	Will require vote at AGM motion article 1-(3)					
ACTION ITEMS			PERSON RESPONSIBLE		DEADLINE	
Motion at AGM			Joe		AGM	

WEST NIPISSING APPLICATION			JOE
DISCUSSION	West Nipissing has applied for guest status in the Midget division		
CONCLUSIONS			
ACTION ITEMS		PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Next seasons teams will be presented at AGM		All	AGM

NOHA MTG			JOE
DISCUSSION	The NOHA Meeting will be May 4-5, 2013 weekend at the Best Western in North Bay We need a Rep for the meeting waiting for the agenda		
CONCLUSIONS	There will be someone in attendance a couple of day trippers stepped forward		
ACTION ITEMS		PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Awaiting agenda			May

NDMHL AGM		
DISCUSSION	May 7, 2013 @ 6:30pm	
CONCLUSIONS	Forward any additional items prior to one week before the AGM	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Agenda and constitution requests	Denise/Joe	May 1, 2013

Team review Committee		
JOE		
DISCUSSION	May or June mtg to be decided	
CONCLUSIONS		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
	Team review committee	
ROUND TABLE	No issues at this time from the board	
RESOURCE PERSONS	Brian and Al will be helping out at the Playoff Tournament Carol will send an updated schedule for volunteers	
MEETING CALLED	9:00pm	

