

Recreational Committee Meeting Minutes

DATE: Thursday, December 1, 2011

LOCATION: Brampton Hockey Office

TIME: 7:00 pm

- 1) Minutes of Previous Meeting – distributed earlier via email and posted on the Brampton Hockey website under Teams -> Recreational League
- 2) William Osler Health System – feedback
Convenors had not received much feedback with respect to the fundraiser. Most had not asked coaches.
- 3) Reports from Division Convenors
Convenors indicated for the most part things were running well. Issues discussed were – weak teams; fair ice time; coaches needing assistance; referees; etc.
- 4) Convenor Duties
Duties of the convenor were reviewed and handout was given to convenors outlining duties as per the resolutions. In general, convenors assist with the season startup and draft; distribute and collect information from the league; monitor games and report issues to the Recreational League VP. Convenors are the go between for the coaches and the league.
- 5) Neville Woolridge Tournament
 - Tournament Rules – Final Version will be emailed to convenors to be passed onto the coaches. It will also be included in the program
 - Game schedule is almost finalized and should be posted on the website by Dec. 9
 - Schedule; Coverage at the rinks – A schedule for coverage at the rinks will be sent via email and convenors are asked to sign up for time blocks. Laura agreed to solicit and coordinate the schedule for the student volunteers
 - Distribution of materials – **Dec. 23, 7:30 pm at the Hockey Office**, the tournament packages for teams will be put together. Assistance with the task will be requested via email closer to the date. The task should only take a couple of hours to complete.
- 6) Playoff formats/schedule by division
The 10 team division (Minor Bantam) setup will be the same as the past – two divisions of 5 with a crossover game each week that will count in the standings. There was discussion around setting up two divisions for the 8 team divisions. This would reduce the playoff schedule from 7 weeks to 3 weeks. Convenors in the 8 team divisions should ask for feedback on the proposal from their coaches.
- 7) Peewee request for exhibition games
A proposal came in from the Peewee division to have the division play an exhibition game at the Ricoh Coliseum. Because the resolutions don't allow for exhibition games, the resolutions would need to be amended to allow it to happen. The committee agreed that we should not change the resolutions to accommodate the request.
- 8) Coaching Qualification/Police checks – follow up
Henry will follow up with the individual coaches whose certification information has not been received by the office.
- 9) Suspensions – follow up with coaches/players
Two players have been called in to meet about suspension issues. They have been warned that should further issues arise, the league would be adding additional games to the suspension and/or may remove the player from the league.
- 10) Standings/Balancing Teams

At four divisions, players were moved to assist with balancing teams. It is a very difficult task to get parity amongst all teams at a particular level. Injuries, attendance, development of individual players during the season, etc. all have an effect on how well a team performs from week to week.

11) Weekend of Champs/Maple Lodge Festival

The OMHA has been contacted about the conflict with the Maple lodge festival and the Weekend of Champions. They are willing to work with us with respect to the scheduling for Brampton teams if the team happens to also be playing in the Weekend of Champs.

12) Other

- Golf Shirts for Head Coach – as part of the apparel agreement, Bauer (free of charge) supplied the league with a number of golf shirts. Unfortunately, there aren't enough to give all members of the coaching staff a shirt. Only the head coach will receive the shirt. They will be distributed at the Neville Woolridge tournament. Convenors are asked to survey coaches for a size so that the orders can be filled with the proper sizes. Sizes are Adult XS, S, M, L, XL & XXL. Please email to Jim Mallory, a list of your coaches with the team and a size for the shirt. This will allow us to prepare the team package in advance with the correct size. Note: If the size is incorrect, the coach will be able to exchange it during the tournament.
- Next parent rep meeting will be held on Wednesday Dec. 7, 7:00 pm at Jim Archdekin Recreation Centre. A reminder was sent out to the parent reps and to the coaches.

Future Meeting Dates:

Jan	Feb	March	April
2012	2012	2012	2012
5 th	2 nd	1 st	3 rd

** All Meetings are at 7:00pm at the Brampton Hockey office. Any changes will be communicated prior to the meeting.