

Southwest Minor Hockey Association

Minutes of Meeting – Wednesday April 10, 2024

Kristin – Our temporary book-keeper, Sandy Glanville, is here. We are missing a few receipts and invoices that we need in order to get our books caught up.

Treasurer's Report:

Sandy –

- Is SWMHA a legal entity? Is it a charity?
- Our lottery account has been reconciled until March 31, 2024;
- Our bingo account has been reconciled until March 31, 2024 but there are three cheques still to be cashed by their recipients. Once these three outstanding cheques are cashed, there will be \$32.00 left in the account.
- As for the Main Bank Account, it has not yet been reconciled.
- The Volunteer Fees/Payments look high in comparison to the previous year. In 2022-2023, the total fees paid to Volunteers was \$1400.00. This season, it is around \$7000.00.
- The Bothwell Arena ice has been reconciled but one (1) invoice seems to be missing. Ian VM – I may have it with me.
- There is one (1) Bothwell ice invoice that has not been paid (amount is roughly \$1800.00)
- Some Glencoe Arena ice invoices have not been paid. Also, the invoices for October 2023 and November 2023 show that we have been billed for ice times that do not show on the SWMHA calendar/website. Kelli B. – This is because we have been billed for ice times that we did not use.
- Recommendation – We obtain a statement of account from Chatham Kent for all of the ice that SWMHA used (at Bothwell Arena) in 2023-2024. We should obtain the same from Municipality of Southwest Middlesex for the Glencoe Arena ice. Rob J. – I will ask Southwest Middlesex for this statement of account for Glencoe Arena.
- The ice bills for 2022-2023 totaled roughly \$30,000.00 and the ice bills for this season totaled roughly \$40,000.00. Only one arena (Bothwell Arena) was used in 2022-2023.

- Timekeepers - Some cheques to the timekeepers may have been written after March 31, 2024. It also looks like two (2) persons should have been paid \$10.00 more (each) than what they were actually paid.
- Referees – It looks like we have two (2) outstanding Referee bills to pay. Approximately \$2500.00 is owing.
- There are a few cheques from Jump Start to be deposited by Rob J
- We are missing the following receipts and invoices:
 - Training Courses for R James, two others.
 - Four Counties registration invoice. Mike M. will obtain this from Four Counties League.
 - OMHA Insurance
 - Laptop Reimbursement
 - Treasurer
- There was a \$2995 deposit made on December 11, 2023. What was this for? It could have been a few small cheques that total \$2995.
- There was a deposit made on December 15, 2023 from Allan Heating, but we do not have any details about what it was for.
- Sandy is estimating roughly \$10,000.00 in outstanding bills still need to be paid and roughly \$1500.00 in outstanding deposits still must be made too. Ian VM – I think we owe for the U9 season-ending tournament in Mooretown. We need to pay that.
- Sandy is estimating that we shall see a Net Loss of approximately \$6000.00 for this season.

Filling Board Positions for the SWMHA Board;

Amy M., Megan L., Ian VM, and Mike M. are all departing. Many positions are open.

ICE BOOKING/REFEREES/TIMEKEEPERS:

- Currently this position is held by Megan L. and Amy M.
- This position will be available and requires a two (2) year commitment.
- Ice contracts are normally done well in advance of the start of the season.
- Megan L. – SWM says that we cannot book new ice (for 2024-2025) until we pay our bills for the 2023-2024 season.
- All members voted & agreed to pay bill.
- Katherine will send SWM check.

- Rob J. – SWM will only allow us six (6) hours of ice time at present, but we will have “first dibs” on open available ice times.
- All SWB board members discussed, agreed and voted to reserve the same ice spots as the year prior at both locations, Glencoe & Bothwell.
- Rob J- offered to contact & speak directly with SWM to reserve last year's ice times.
- Megan L- will contact and reserve with Bothwell.
- Erica Quenneville will assume this role

UNIFORMS and EQUIPMENT:

- We may need more socks and pucks and pylons and water bottles.
- We need to contact our coaches to make sure that they collect and return hockey sweaters and other items.
- Daryn Mawson will assume this role

PARENT REP COORDINATOR:

- We need one.

PRESIDENT

- Currently Rob J.

VICE PRESIDENT:

- Currently Ian VM but he is stepping down. Rob Veldman will assume this role. Ian plans to remain with board to help with transition and questions everyone will have.

SPONSORSHIP:

SECRETARY: Kristin Antolak will assume the role

TREASURER: Ashley Patton will assume this role

REGISTRATION: currently Katherine Beamish

LEAGUE REP:

- Currently Mike M. but he is stepping down. We need to find a league rep as soon as possible. Mike M is willing to attend the first meeting in August with the new person.

COACH COORDINATOR:

- Currently Big Jeff E.

SOCIAL MEDIA and WEBSITE COORDINATOR:

- Currently Kelli B.

VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

- Currently Kelli B.

DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION/DEVELOPMENT:

REGISTRATION: We need to get it up and running online as soon as possible.

Megan will figure out if Bothwell ice is increasing in cost

Possibility of increasing the rate a small amount

Previous year u11-18: 825\$, u5/7: 475\$ u8/9: 675\$

Volunteer fee 100\$

Cash calendar 100\$

(Included in fee)

-possibility to increase 25-50\$ was discussed

Motions to Approve Spending to pay outstanding Bills

Ian VM - The two volunteers who run our bingos must be paid. Kim T. and Sidney B. shall each be paid \$300.00.

- All in favour and approved.

Ian VM – The U9 Team's end of year playoff tournament in Mooretown must be paid. The cost is \$460.00 (?)

- All in favour and approved.

Motion to reimburse Amy M. for cash that she spent to pay timekeepers (\$40.00).

- All in favour and approved.

DISCUSSION OF VARIOUS ISSUES:

Kelli B. – If any kid/person is interested in training to be a Referee, contact me.

Question raised by unknown attendee – Have we considered amalgamating with other centers because our player numbers are so low?

Jeff E. – Some coaching applications have already come in for next season. Coaching evaluations have also come in. We have some potential Head Coaches already identified for U7, U9, and U11.

Coaching staff:

-coaches for next season:

U11- John Q Jay Beamish

U8/9- Rob Veldman/ Adam Parnell

U5-7- Tyler McTavish and Kyle Underwood

Kelli B. will post on social media and Southwest Bullets page, the coaches for next season.

Possibility for a u18 team for next season if we have the numbers.

Rob J. - We should consider opening Registration as soon as is possible. Perhaps we should consider an early registration bonus/discount.

Next Meeting: May 14, 2024, at Newbury Legion. The Legion will need to be booked (by Ashley Patton)