

South Muskoka Minor Hockey Association Board of Directors Meeting 169B James St. Bracebridge, ON November 12th, 2024 at 6:00pm Location: Gravenhurst Centennial Centre, Gravenhurst, ON

P - Present, R - Regrets, V - Virtual

Jody Somerville	Ρ	Jeff Barnes	R	Julie Hogue	R
Mark Jennings	Ρ	Whitney Middlebrook	Р	Sarah Wheeler	Р
Jessie Dureen	Ρ	Kim Ellis	Р	Tanaya Lusk	Р
Emma Bennett	Ρ	Tina Hamer	Р	Jennifer Lennie	Р
Carmen Bliss	R	Chris Ledsham	Р	Norm Webb	Р
				Paul Raynor	Р

Chair: Jody Somerville Recorder: Jessie Dureen Non Board Members in Attendance:

Agenda Topics		Chair/Presenter
1. Call to order	Meeting is called to order at 6:06 pm on the th day of November 2024	Jody
2. Approval of Previous 3. Meeting	Minutes: Minutes approval moved by: Paul Raynor Second by: Sarah Wheeler	Jody
3. Board member Reports:		

3.1 President	No MPS meeting this month. Next one should be the first week in December. Waiting until league numbers are finalized to determine how many teams will be sent to OMHA RED hat. A discussion was had with Huntsville regarding reorganization and they decided to wait and revisit it next year. A number of D&E issues have already been address with behavioral issues being a common thread. We need to send out another email, social with reminders of our code of conduct, social media posts, maltreatment and respecting other teams. Setting up a committee to coordinate Christmas activities - skate-a-thon, teddy bear toss, food drives, parades, Fire and Ice, etc. We need to implement a better payment schedule for next year. Proposing registration fees due by Sept 1st in full. REP and tournament fees are collected by the manager and submitted in 2 complete payments by Oct 31st. We have received a \$500 payment from OMHA for a player playing up. I propose we use that money for player development or to buy equipment. Our office needs a desk, chair, small table with chairs and shelves. It's hard to find 3 quotes "apples to apples" while being price conscious. Wayfair has great prices and would like to ask for permission to purchase these items.	Jody
3.2 Vice President	Nothing new to report.	Mark

3.3 Secretary		Jessie
	Working with a few remaining Managers on the Sportsheadz app to help guide them through setting up. It all seems to be running smoothly now. Nothing else to report. Next meeting is booked at Gravenhurst Centennial Centre for December 10th at 6pm.	

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3.5 Director of Public Relations		Carmen
3.6 U9 Local League Director	MPS LL set up game match ups for U9 half ice. Last games played are Dec 22. U9 Full ice begins Jan 10 MPS LL also planning game match ups for U8 Skating of U7s is continuing to immensely improve	Paul

3.7 U18 Local League Director	Games and tournaments well underway for u11 and up. Having some behaviour related issues on a few u18 teams that we are dealing with. Otherwise nothing to report.	Sarah

3.8 Equipment Director	Not much new to report ,just sorting out a plan for select team jerseys A couple additional goalie items requested Do we have any kinda ETA on our storage space?	Whitney
3.9Tournament Director	Hearing from Kim Clement how much her son would have LOVED all tournament hustling and bustling at the arena and how honoured he would have been. It makes all this worth it. Congrats Tournament Committee!!!	Kim

TOURN	AMENT NAME	DATE	REGISTERED	Spots Open
	'S CHRISTMAS ACULAR	Nov 29 - Dec 1, 2024	U7 - 20 teams (including Bears) U8 - 6 trying to get it to 8 (including Bears)	U7 - 0 U8 - 2 Originally this tournament was 16 teams. We have been able to pick up 6 - 8 teams. In the case we have lower registration in other tournaments budgetted numbers.
JOHN JI MEMOR TOURN		Dec 6-8 2024	<u>U15 B</u> Tier 1 -4 teams, working on 1 more (including Bears) Tier 2 - 10 teams (including Bears)	Tier 1 - 2 teams
BEAR C CHALLE	OUNTRY ENGE	January 3-5 2025	11 (including Bears)	5 teams
	DLLISON AL CLASSIC	Feb 7-9 2025	U13 - 12 teams U15 - 12 teams	0 Originally this tournament was 16 teams. We have been able to pick up 8 teams. In case, we have lower registration in other tournaments'

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	Expense Item Total Expenses	YTD Total	\$9,539.99	Annual Budget \$32,000.00			
	 Revenue is over by \$14,250 Expenses under by \$22.460.01 Tournament Sponsorship (Accommodation Partnership) is still to come in Gravenhurst Grant is still to come in 						
3.10 Off Ice Officials andVolunteer Coordinator	Coach training / education (Nov 27th) organized , booked and emailed . Thanks Julie for the ice & meeting room. Oct 11 Tag Day was a success ! Thank you Fundraiser Committee. Registered SMMHA for the Gravenhurst Santa Clause Parade Nov 23rd. Tag Day Fundraisers are only to be offered by our association and not individual teams - Should be added to MOP.						

3.11 OMHA Director	The journey to complete bench staff and rosters is almost complete. Only U8, U7 and U5 left. Needs to be some serious lobbying to change the system next year. We may need to rethink how we are communicating and effecting all of this. Poss spring tryouts would help at least for rep division B teams.	Jeff
3.12 lce Scheduler		Julie
3.13 Player Development Director	 Since the start of the season Player Development has run 6 goalie sessions. With the current schedule our in house goalie coaches have team schedules that make it difficult for them to schedule additional sessions, and ice availability also makes this challenging. I am working with Tina and 2 external goalie coaches to see if we can bring them in for a session. I also have another goalie coach that is willing to donate her time, has completed the volunteer training requirements and is waiting for VSC approval. Once all the paperwork is in order I will provide the details to Jeff to roster at large. We have had 8 power skating sessions to date, provided by an external power skater with her own insurance These have been a success, and 4 were offered as sign up for the younger ages to take advantage of open ice. The other 4 sessions were in practice sessions and we will be looking to continue these sessions later this month for other teams. The hope is to get to all the teams from U18 to U11 with in practice power skating, unless the coach declines the opportunity. We have 4 skill development sessions scheduled for U7/U9 on November 17th with Hockey Moves. The other U7/U8/U9 teams will have a development session scheduled in December and January so that they can each have an opportunity. This is new to our organization to have a external company provide development skates to our teams. I will be looking for feedback from Paul and his coaches on these sessions for the younger ages. There have been addressed. Parent issues on REP teams have also been challenging with some parents not being respectful, maltreating referees and team officials. These behaviors will not be tolerated and will/have been passed to D&E for resolution. In some instances for players these are educational opportunities to correct errors so that they know for the future. In the case of parents, they ought to know how to behave, and are setting bad examples for urplayers and will	Chris

	Some player movement inquiries are beginning as parents look to change paths mid season. One requiring board discussion will be reviewed in closed session. We are also closer to getting our Lottery License in Gravenhurst (over a year in process so far). Once obtained officially, the process will start with Bracebrige. We could be a few months away from hosting any lottery schemes still. Revenue & Expense: Revenue to date \$1,000 Expenses to date: \$812.50 Original Budget: \$4,000 Operating Budget (revenue plus budget) \$5,000. Balance \$4,187.50	
3.14 Sponsorship Director	Nothing to report	Jennifer
3.15 Registrar	Many inquiries for new players and player transfers - for my knowledge what is the associations standpoint on this. A couple players are currently unpaid, Jackson McLennan U16, Oaklee wilcock U9, have not heard back from these families	Tanaya
	ACTION ITEMS: Create Select Team stores - created	

3.16 Referee in Chief	 Just the normal penalties and suspensions. For the most part, the players and coaches from SM have been respectful. The exception is the U13B team. Parents have yelled at refs throughout the season but coming to a head in Huntsville to the point that someone from HV made an official complaint and that has been dealt with. Scheduling glitch. Some games show up on SM website but does not show up on assignor scheduling. Crisis averted each time thou 	Norm
4. COMMITTEE Reports (as needed)		

4. Committees	SMMHA Committees:	
	Coach Selection Committee : (2024 - 2025 season) Chris L, Jody, Mark, Jeff, Jessie, External members: Pending- to be approved by Executive Directors 2024-25 LL Season, above list including Local League Directors Additional:	
	Discipline & Ethics: Jody, Jeff, Mark, Norm, Jessie Additional: Sarah, Chris L, Paul, Julie,	
	Ice Committee: Julie, Jody, Emma, Paul, Jeff, Sarah, Chris L Additional:	
	Purchasing Committee : Whitney, Emma Additional: Mark	
	Fundraising & Events: Carmen, Emma, Jessie Additional: Kim, Jennifer, Tina	
	Tournament Committee: Kim, Jennifer, Tina, Julie, Carmen, Jeff Additional: Sarah, Paul, Chris, Kevin	
	Local League Committee: Sarah, Paul, Julie Additional: Kim, Jeff	
	Awards Committee: Mark, Emma, Jeff, Sarah, Paul, Jody Additional:	
	Manual of Ops Committee: Jody, Mark, Emma, Chris L Additional:	
	Lottery License Committee: Jody, Mark, Emma, Tanaya, Chris L	

5. Motions (as needed)	Motion 1:	
needed)	I motion that the board open a Lottery Trust Account with our financial institution and place \$1,000 within the account as an opening balance to support startup of our lottery license.	
	Note: A lottery trust account is a requirement of our Lottery License and is required to complete the process, showing proof to the AGCO, and has rules as to how the proceeds within the account are used, plus is expected to track all lottery license proceeds and dispersions and be disclosed to the AGCO through the license renewal process.	
	Motioned: Chris Ledsham Seconded: Mark Jennings For/Opposed: All for no opposed	
	Motion 2:	
	I motion that the board create a Lottery License Committee made up of the Treasure, 2 Executive members and 2 non executive members, all with voting rights. This committee would be responsible for the maintenance of the Lottery License, the requirements thereof, and managing any lottery schemes as decided upon by the committee for its members.	
Correspondenc e	Motioned: Chris Ledsham Seconded: Tanaya Lusk For/Opposed: All for no opposed	
7. Nomination or		
election of		

Officers or Directors (As needed)		
8. New business/other business	Lottery License Commitee to be selected at the 1st meeting after the AGM annually. Chair: Vice President, Members: Treasurer, President, Registrar	
9. Meeting adjournment	8:46 pm	

	Next meeting: December 10th, 2024 6pm	
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