

South Muskoka Minor Hockey Association Board of Directors Meeting Location: Gravenhurst Arena

Date: October 14, 2025 at 6:30 pm

Committee Members "R" is regrets

Jody Somerville	Р	Kim Ellis	Р	Jeff Ley	R
Tina Hamer	R	Christina Shire	R	Jennifer Lennie	Р
Emma Bennett	Р	Chris Ledsham	Р	Kirsty Lind	Р
Jessie Dureen	Р	Julie Hogue	Р	Norm Webb	Р
Kevin Babcock	Р	Tanaya Lusk	Р	Paul Raynor	Р
Sarah Wheeler	Р	Nate Guy	Р		

Chair: Jody Somerville Recorder: Jessie Dureen

Agenda Topics		Chair/Presenter
1. Call to order	Meeting is called to order at 6:30 pm on the Oct 14, 2025	Jody Somerville
Approval of Previous Meeting	MInutes: August & September 2025 Minutes approval moved by: Emma Bennett Second by: Julie Hogue	
3. Board member Reports:		

3.1 President	Mike Carlson from the Bears JRC would like to offer development opportunities for our teams with his players. They are looking to support the younger age groups with on ice support during practices. What would the players require if anything?	Jody
	SMMHA - U9 Pilot Program is well underway. OMHA requires us to do 4 player evaluations throughout the season, provide video of practices, supply practice plans, attend meetings, 2:1 practice to game ratio, and go full ice November 1st.	
	l'd like for us to do a Holiday skate for all Bears and their families - Bailey, Hot Chocolate, Treats, Music, and prizes - food or toy donation. Looking at 2 hours on Dec 27th or 28th- first hour U5-U11, and second hour U13-U21	
	Halloween Skate? Kevin, how is this coming along?	
	Next MPS meeting TBA	
	The Swag site has a new logo design included for purchase as well as our original logo. Status on the order dates for Christmas delivery? Also, will there be a group order done so we can save on the shipping?	
	The Red Hat Championship schedule has been shared.	
	Email communication has been sent to both Gravenhurst & Bracebridge arenas requesting a location to mount an ipad safe. We intend to house 3 iPads in each arean for association usage. There will be a sign out sheet with instructions placed inside the box. All iPads must be plugged in to ensure they are fully charged.	
	STORAGE UNIT: We need to get this cleaned out and moved to the cage at the arena. Can I have a few volunteers to help on Saturday, October 18th at 11am?	
	Action Items for next meetings: - Will connect Mike and Chris to schedule support opportunities for practices	
3.2 Vice President	Starting to think about the banquet and researching to see what changes could be made to improve it if any .	Tina
	Action Items for next meetings:	
3.3 Secretary	Spoke with Joe from RYR Sports the deadline for Christmas Apparel orders are due by October 25th. The website has been updated to reflect this deadline. Maybe a Social media blast can go out to give notice to families.	Jessie
	Action items from last meeting: Contact Joe to make sure shipping on orders are covered in Bulk Christmas order no shipping fees if ordered by October 25th.	
3.4 Treasurer	Send out a reminder that all tournament payments are due tomorrow, October 15th Current bank account \$508,281.91 Saving account: \$244,688.07 Working on updating the budget sheet. Will have ready for next board meeting. It is also not my responsibility to fill in every member's spending portion. If you don't have access, let me know and I will add you	Emma

	Action Items for next meeting:	
3.5 Director of Public Relations	Finalizing details with vendor for individual fundraiser- will have delivery before Xmas- order forms to be available in the next 2 weeks.	Kristy
	Action Items for next meeting:	
3.6 Local League Director U21 below	all teams are formed Working on rosters (as quickly as we can) Games are scheduled as well and start Friday (see above topic re iPads)	Sarah
	MPS LL meeting this Thursday via zoom	
	Action Items for next meeting:	
3.7 Local League Director U9 below	U7 teams have been formed, I believe all managers have submitted rosters for approval. U8 teams have been formed and both have submitted rosters for approval. A few respect in sports to be completed still. U9MD - All meetings have been attended, 1st player evaluation phase is complete. 1st full ice game is Nov 1.	Paul
	MPSLL meeting for U8/U9 schedule Oct. 15. Currently still filling bench staff for U9LL	
	Action Items for next meeting:	
3.8 Equipment Director	Jersey update Action Items for next meeting:	Jeff
3.9 Tournament Director	First tournament wasn't as popular as planned only 6 teams in B cancelled D Would like to revisit if we do this one next year Nothing else to report	Christina
	Action items from last meeting:	
3.10 Off Ice Officials and Volunteer Coordinator	 Successful meeting with Local League benches to review managers manual and generals season info Setting up training for timeclocks and gamesheet with rep and LL on an as needed basis. MPS LL Championship Final Working on writing grant(s) to assist with player development 	Kim
	Action Items for next meetings:	
3.12 OMHA REP Director	Rep teams rostered and changes updatedstill a couple to update as soon as qualifications are met LL teams- Some rostered, others still missing qualifications. Sarah has the list, but people not updating Most tournament permits submitted lpad issueto be discussed Action Items for next meetings :	Kevin

4.13 Ice Scheduler	 LL and Rep practices now consistent on a weekly basis Rep season 1 games well underway LL games scheduled and begin Oct 17 Baysville ice has been secured beginning Tuesday Oct 14, we have Mondays 6-7 and Tuesdays 6:30-7:30. This ice will be used to replace cancelled practices due to holidays or teams having a game booked on their regular practice day. Additional days will be offered to LL and Rep as an extra practice day Action Items for next meetings:	Julie
3.12 Player Development Director	Player Development ongoing sessions with Hockey Moves, sign-up. Going well, all waitlisted have joined sessions so far. Working on goalie sessions to start shortly. Have another power skating coach to bring in and try. Have reached out to teams for a big bears helping little bears on ice to create leadership within organization, limited player interests so far Have been talking to JR. C. about helping with some player development etc. Action Items for next meetings:	Chris
3.14 Sponsorship Director	Nothing to report. Action Items for next meetings:	Jennifer
3.15 Registrar	We have surpassed our Budget expectations for this season, I will update our numbers in the roll up before the next meeting. U9 MD team and individual fees are \$125.00 and have been added to the players spordle accounts Action Items for next meetings:	Tanaya
3.16 Referee in Chief	 Entry level clinic for new refs October 18 / 2025 in Gravenhurst from 9am-4pm. SM has 4 new refs registered for the course. The cost for the entry level ref clinic will be split between SM,HV,PS and Almaquin Recertification clinics completed. (13 officials) SM has 9 level 3's and 4 level 2's. Plus 4 new entry level refs Action Items from last meeting:	Norm
3.17 Rep Director	Streamlining co-mmunication seems to be working so far- feedback about that is welcome date the focus has been on responding to inquiries via email/WhatsApp and directing questions as required	Nate

	Key role has been liaising with other board members as needed and ensuring questions get to the appropriate member	
	Action Items from last meeting:	
4. COMMITTEE Reports (as needed)		
4. Committees	SMMHA Committees:	
	Coach Selection Committee: (2025 - 2026 season) Chris L, Jody, Tina, Kevin, Jessie, External members: Pending- to be approved by Executive Directors Additional:	
	Discipline & Ethics: Jody, Kevin, Tina, Norm, Jessie Additional: Sarah, Chris L, Paul, Nate	
	Ice Committee: Julie, Jody, Emma, Paul, Kevin, Sarah, Chris L, Nate Additional:	
	Purchasing Committee: Jeff, Emma, Tina Additional: Kevin	
	Fundraising & Events: Kirsty, Emma, Jessie Additional: Kim, Jennifer, Christina	
	Tournament Committee: Christina, Kim, Jennifer, Julie, Kevin Additional: Sarah, Paul , Chris L, Nate, Kirsty	
	Local League Committee: Sarah, Paul, Chris L Additional: Kim, Kevin	
	Awards Committee: Tina, Emma, Kevin, Sarah, Paul, Jody Additional:	
	Manual of Ops Committee: Jody, Tina, Emma, Chris L Additional:	
	Lottery Committee: Emma, Jody, Tanaya, Chris L	
5. Motions (as needed)		

6. Correspondence		
7. Nomination or election of Officers or Directors (As needed)		
8. New business/other business		
9. Meeting adjournment	Meeting called at 8:18 pm	
	Next meeting: November 11th, 2025 Location : Gravenhurst Arena	