

Lower Mainland Meeting - March 10 - Call to order 7:01 pm

Attendance:

Beth McLucas (chair), Mary Clare (zone 5), Pam Mason (secretary), Mike O'Connor (zone 4), Gord McIntosh (females), Jody Weatherby (officials), Abbotsford, Burnaby, Langley, Mission, New Westminster, Delta, Port Coquitlam, Richmond, Port Moody, Surrey, Gord Miller (zone 3), Rob Arden (coaches), Tracey Dolbec (treasurer), North Shore, North Delta, Ridge Meadows, Coquitlam, Chilliwack, Sunshine Coast

Absent:

Approval of minutes: Gord McIntosh, Rob Arden

Treasurer's Report:

Approval: Rob, Jeff

Bank Balance 4150.00 2654 to deposit

2 outstanding cheques, North Shore and Richmond balls still outstanding

Anyone have league fees you can give them to Tracey

Zone Reports - Nothing to report

Female - nothing

Coaches - clinics are on the website

- Will be putting something on cop

Officials - halfway through the clinics

- 5 new rules this year

- goalkeepers equipment rule is now the same in the rule book, no measurement on the goaltender at any level, pee wee to midget visual conformity, nothing from novice down

- tags and add on equipment will be looked at and it will be 5 and a fix it, no hockey pads will work, McKinney does not have tags on their equipment from last years equipment

- unsportsmanlike conduct - allow for a referee to go to a 10 minute misconduct and doesn't have to do the 2 min can just get a 10 minute, instructed to clamp down on that this year

- elbowing - no such thing as a minor - will only be a 5 minute major, anything above shoulder will be an elbowing

- fighting - four pages long in the rule book, give referee more latitude of not giving them a major, could get three majors in one conflict

- shot off goal post and crossbar - and hit the net, awarded to the offensive team, if goes off player then last team, if goes off of goaltender they will get the ball, and it is now where the ball leaves the floor.

Goalkeeper exemption form, anyone that does not fit his sizing tag need to fill out a CLA form with pictures, send to head referee who will send to Rochelle and then to CLA and will send it back to you with the letter. The letter must be with the score sheet before the game starts and let the referees know, if not treated as invalid. If they have to get the jersey off for a female, would want a female to go in with the goalie.

Head referee meeting tomorrow, everyone is sending a representative, go over everything!

New Business:

Competitive Novice -

Declarations

Abbotsford - 14 brand new players would most likely be the C team, most of the players from last year moved up to peewee - have declared at B, 3 were on the A2 team last year. One or two kids that could be close

Motions Dave, second Jeff - Passed stay at Novice B and C

Abbotsford Peewee A2 - in 2013 were 4-14-1 at A1, B team was 14-3-2, has a lot of players that are second sport players, lost a lot of players from the experience of that year, lost 6 from last year had 17 on team

Motion Dave, second Jeff - Passed stay at Novice A2, B and C

Abbotsford Bantam - asking for B and C, two years ago with 84 for and 90 against, playing years at 6.5 and only have one bantam goalie. Challenges are players are saying if we are A we may not want to play. They don't want to play at the A level. Difference is the coaching is a challenge

Motion Dave, second Abby second - Passed stay at Bantam B and C

Chilliwack - Novice 24 kids, second smallest association and would have two small teams, many kids at Novice and Peewee do not want to come back, do not have the coaches, need to use parents who have never played the game. Don't want to cut off registration even if we have the small teams, trying to grow the association

Motion Jamie, second Garrett - Passed at Novice B and C

Chilliwack - Peewee, same as Novice

Motion Jamie, second Garrett - Passed at Peewee B and C

PoCo - Peewee look at the stats from 2 years ago, 5 returning players and two brand new players, no problem being at B and moving up, and if get killed in tiering, lost 4 or 5 teams, down numbers and think it's kids are not having fun down at least 15 from last year

Motion Fred second Stacey - Passed to Peewee B and C

Richmond - Peewee looking to stay at A2 from 2 years ago 2-17, lots of hockey players

Motion - Dee, second Andrina - Passed to stay at A2, B and C

Richmond - Bantam - want to go at 2 B and A2, came in third in the league in the then went to provincials and came in 4<sup>th</sup> - lost the main player that scored the most of the goals. Usually only have two Bantam teams at this level,

- this group was tiered up in field as well and also tiered back

Motion Andrina, second Dee - stay at A1 voted down

Ridge to go A1, A2, 2B and 2C at Novice - Motioned Jamie, second Jeff

Sunshine motion to allow Peewee team to be a C team if they meet criteria

Motion, Pam, second Fred - approved

Oversized teams -

Boys - North Shore motion for oversized team at Midget of 25 players

Motion: Tom and Garrett - approved

Vancouver - 25 in Bantam B and 25 in Midget B

Motion: Mike and Jamie - approved

Girls - Coquitlam - 25 midget female and 25 players at Female Junior

Motion Garrett and Jeff - approved

New West - 25 Bantam Female

Motion: New West, Garrett - approved

Number of teams to discuss playing season:

Peewee 11 @ A2, 6 @A1

Bantam 10@ A2, 7 @A1

Midget 11@ A2, 5 @A1

Discussion to have them play interlocking schedule and have the tiering break from May 11-17<sup>th</sup> for all divisions

Divisions for B and C where possible will get split for the tiering by geography and then after upper and lower

Motion to have Peewee to Midget A1 and A2 play an 8 game interlocking tiering schedule. Motion by Mike, second by Tracey. All in favour - Passed

Motion to have the tiering schedule go 4 weeks with the break being May 11<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> for all divisions Novice and above. Motioned by Mike second by Tom - all in favour - Passed

Summer games zones are changing. There is going to be some changes to zone 4 and zone 5

Meeting Adjourned at 9:19pm

NEXT MEETING - Tuesday April 14<sup>th</sup> New Westminster