

**Board Meeting May 15, 2018**

Regrets: Kevin Fines Mike Kelly Kevin Devine Bob Neelin

Joe Najim Ken Dwinell Sean MacDonald

19:00 Meeting called to order by President Darryl Moore.

19:02: **New Business**

No new business requested

19:03 Approval of Agenda **Moore**

**Trusler/Hall**

19:04 **President’s report**

* Darryl wants everyone to come prepared to review acceleration policy next meeting after concerns were brought forward over the process this past tryout
* Meeting with the Sting next week, so we can present Skill sessions with TPH for upcoming season
* Told board we only received $15 000 from Friends of Sarnia Hockey – we were budgeted for $24000…. we discussed the effect this would have on budget and our ability to support flex packs…. we will investigate with the Sting but will sell Flex pack this season
* Need iPad now for Minor and Major Bantam
* New Hockey TV is trying to meet with up. We investigated our ability to get WIFI last year…. we were unable as city is still in development of internet at our arenas
* Talked about teams reporting to Darryl about Police Vector Checks forms. Please let him know how many each team needs, and he will provide
* Discussed blackout weekend
* Teams need to start submitting team reports for each meeting – this should include team finances, injuries, suspensions, record for the month and any other pertinent information
* Darryl is meeting with each team to speak to all parents about expectations and parental contracts

19:25 **1st VP**

* Chad Hoben sent out suspensions that need to be carried over from last year
* New online suspension reporting tool

19:35 **2nd VP**

* Tryouts went really well
* We need to evaluate (next year) our $100 tryout fee after a certain number of skates to help attract F1’s from other centers

19:40 **Equipment**

* Jerseys are ordered and look great
* We changed colour of numbers as per some scout’s suggestions to better see the numbers
* Each team has $100 to spend on First Aid Kit
* Concern over new jerseys for goalies in older age groups…not big enough
* Also no pant shells at fitting night

19:50 **Ice scheduler**

* Mike will email out final black out week end dates as there were some changes
* Mike will confirm Sting day
* Mike provided names to do the clock for our games

Ashley 226-349-1152

Shannon 519-312-6333

20:00 **Public Relations**

* Dawn wanted clarification on sponsorship policy – Darryl and Glenn to meet with Joe Najim (absent) and report back to the board for next meeting

20:10 **Policy**

* Terry talked about re-looking at our Return to Play policy to ensure it meets the new Rowan’s Law that was brought into effect recently
* Terry wanted Darryl to email out our current Acceleration policy, so we could all be prepared to discuss
* As per above – we need to relook at Sponsorship policy

20:20 **Legionnaires**

* Nothing to report

20:21 **Treasurer**

* No new book keeper yet
* Ryan to send out proper numbers for coach’s compensation

20:21 **Fundraising**

* Absent

20:22 **Risk Management**

* Absent

20:25 Motion to go in Camera **Hall**

**Moore/Trusler**

20:40 Motion to adjourn **Moore**

**Hall/Trusler**

**ACCELERATION POLICY**

Approved December 16, 2014

Acceleration will only be allowed if the candidate is a top player in their position in the next higher age group as determined by an Evaluation Committee led by the Program Development Director or Coaches Mentor.

In order to qualify to play hockey at one age group up, **ALL** of the following criteria must be met:

1. A written request from the parent or guardian of the player must be received by the 2nd Vice President, no later than **the 1st day of March** of the playing year. The request shall include the team the player wishes to try out for and position.
2. The Head Coach at the next age group up must approve the request.
3. The Program Development Director, or Coaches Mentor, shall form an Evaluation Committee (a total of 3 persons) and bring forward the two names for approval by the Board of Directors.
4. The Evaluation Committee’s mandate will be to observe the player at the tryouts and make a recommendation through the Program Development Director or Coach Mentor to AAA Board.
5. If the committee’s recommendation is to allow the player to play up one age group, the Committee has determined that the player is among the top 3 forwards, top 2 defensemen or the top goalie in the tryouts of the upper age group.
6. The player’s first responsibility during this process is to their own age group and must attend those tryouts first.

If the player makes a team in the higher age group, they must remain in that age level for the balance of the playing season and is subject to the rules of that age group.

Coaches, and any associated team officials, will not solicit players from younger age groups. Any violation of this rule will result subject to review by the Discipline Committee, in the removal of any team official found to be involved in such activities.

All requests to try out at a higher age category must be presented through the 2nd Vice President. Team officials will not offer any advice, counsel or comments that encourage movement. They will simply refer interested parties to the board.

\*Players will be required to pay tryout fees for BOTH teams.