

Ripley Minor Hockey Annual General Meeting, May 13, 2009

Members of Ripley Minor Hockey Executive

Grant Murray, Dan Wilken, Mike Fair, Dianne Simpson, Brent Chatham, Kevin Murray, Fiona Scott, Kim Reid and Heather Card were all in attendance.

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1.0 Call to Order, Grant Murray

2.0 Approval of Previous Annual General Meeting, read by Heather Card

A motion was made by Dan Wilken and 2nd by Dianne Simpson, that the Annual General Meeting of May 14, 2008 minutes be approved.

3.0 Guest Speaker, Dave Garinger, Chairman, WOAA was introduced, Mr. Garinger was discussing and sharing information regarding amalgamation of hockey centres. The following points were provided to the executive members and community members in attendance;

- ✓ 1-2 hockey seasons for an amalgamation to take place
- ✓ Boundaries are considered by the 2 centres involved, discussions regarding setting up new boundaries and some players maybe also be grandfathered into the system
- ✓ OMHA bylaws and rules of operation apply
- ✓ Own minor hockey Membership needs to take a vote, published in local newspaper, in order to proceed you need to have 60% of the membership agreeing to the amalgamation
- ✓ Population size could mean you are one category higher
- ✓ Some members are worried about losing the sense of community, while others felt kids could play at their own level and skills
- ✓ Dave was very clear that centres that have proceeded with amalgamation ensured all facts were gathered, proceed slowly and ensure the community is involved in the process

4.0 Equipment Update Presented by Kevin Murray and Brent Chatham

Sweaters Donated by the following sponsors:

Colling and Lippert Trucking, Midget Boys

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R-Villa, Hurontel and Scotia Bank, Bantam Boys

Scotia Bank, Bantam Girls

Bantam Girls Goalie, new set of pads

Atom Goalie, Goalie Gloves

Overall, Kevin and Brent reported the equipment was well cared for this season, except for a few missing jerseys.

5.0 Summary of the 2008-2009 Hockey Season, Submitted by Dan Wilken

WOAA Teams Entered in 2009

Tykes were registered for the first time with WOAA

Novice Rep

Novice L.L.

Atom Rep.

Atom L.L.

Pee Wee L.L.

Bantam L.L.

Midget Rep.

- ✓ There was no Juvenile Team entered. Players surfaced following the decision and participated in Lucknow and Kincardine.
- ✓ The OMHA rules stipulate that players must first register in their home center before permitted to participate at the next closest center.
- ✓ Ripley Minor hockey entered L.L teams at the Pee Wee, and Bantam L.L. levels,
- ✓ OMHA regulations allows players to try out in the next closest center with a rep team for one year, if the home center cannot ice a rep. team
- ✓ One Bantam player exercised his right to do so, and is required to register in Ripley again in 2009-2010

Release Fees

- ✓ The OHF initiated a new release fee procedure and fee scale for players moving from Minor Hockey to the OHF level.
- ✓ OHA Teams wishing to sign players from a minor system must submit the correct release fees to the OHA with their player cards.
- ✓ The OHA then returns these fees to the OMHA, who in turn, return these fees to the Minor Hockey organization

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- ✓ Shawn McIntosh signed with the Walkerton Hawks who followed the procedures and paid the correct fees
- ✓ Derek Regier and Ben Larsen signed in Kincardine.
- ✓ The Bulldogs did not follow the correct procedures, citing that Ripley did not have a Juvenile team, and as such did not submit release fees to the OHA
- ✓ These players are all the same age as McIntosh
- ✓ The Kincardine Bulldogs were contacted to pay these fees, and although they agreed to do so, Kincardine has not complied

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- ✓ a proposed model for increased player movement and revised residency regulations from Hockey Canada
- ✓ Dan attended a "town hall discussion" in Brampton to discuss the issues
- ✓ Member partners OHF, OMHA asked to develop a new model
- ✓ It discusses feasibility of establishing AA Zones for A and below
- ✓ It discusses feasibility of eliminating OMHA categories, forcing smaller centers to amalgamate.
- ✓ Discusses increased player movement and relaxing of the residency rules
- ✓ OMHA has established an adhoc committee to investigate the options
- ✓ The OHF will conduct a member partner meeting in October 2009
- ✓ In Dec. 2009, the OHF will draft a proposal for the 2011/2012 season

OMHA Registration

- ✓ Registration up until 2009 has been done with IT Sportsnet
- ✓ Beginning in 2009-2010 season, the OMHA will be using the Hockey Canada Registry (HCR)
- ✓ Dan attended a workshop on March 22 in Kincardine to learn of the new system
- ✓ An additional refresher workshop has been discussed within in the WOAA

OMHA AGM

- ✓ This is the 75th Annual AGM
- ✓ Held June 12, and 13 in Richmond Hill
- ✓ RMH Executive members are all welcome to attend
- ✓ Dan, Grant and Brent are registered to attend

WOAA Team Entries

- ✓ Rep entries are due June 12, 2009
- ✓ L.L. entries due Oct. 1, 2009

6.0 Girls Report, 2008-2009 Submitted by Dianne Simpson

2008-2009 hockey seasons included Bantam, Midget and Intermediate girl's hockey teams. All three teams were registered as C teams in order to participate in the OWHA Provincial play downs and tournaments. This year the teams were registered on-line. Unlike other years, the registrations were sent directly to OWHA in Mississauga; Copies were sent to

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the WOAA, Wingham for their records. Provincial Teams were register with the OWHA by August. House League team. If any, were to be registered by November.

Four girls registered for Girls PeeWee hockey. One girl played up with the Bamtam Girls Team. Three releases were signed for the remaining players who played hockey with the Kincardine House League PeeWee team.

Seventeen girls including six from Kincardine played on the Ripley Bantam team. They participated in the Cambridge Road Runners' Girls Tournament in January. They were unsuccessful in their Provincial division's play-downs, but showed plenty of team spirit and enthusiasm. Coaches were Tara Chatham and Barb Grubb. A great team effort especially a the Year-end tournament in Goderich in March was shown by these girls.

Fifteen girls registered to play on the Ripley Midget team. They, too, were unsuccessful in their Provincials play-downs. Mark McBride and Art Stanley coached this year's Midget Girls. Girls from the Midget team were called to play up with the intermediate girls later in the season. The girls played hard all season long with many close games. Tournaments included Orangeville Girls Tournament and Year-end tournament in Ayton.

Sixteen girls made up the Ripley Intermediate Team. Grant Murray and Ron Lotton assumed coaching duties. They participated in the Silver Stick Intermediate Tournament in Port Elgin, November, 2008, the Intermediate Provincial Tournament in Brampton February 2009. Thanks to these girls who juggled work and school schedules with hockey schedules.

7.0 Thank You

Thank you to Donna and Mark McBride for taking on the Role of Referee and Chief again. The effort is much appreciated. They were presented with a letter of appreciation and a small monetary gift at the banquet.

Thank you to Dianne Simpson on a job well done as the Girls Hockey Contact and all her involvement in girls' hockey.

Thank you to Dan Wilken for another great year acting as the Boys town contact.

Thank you to the parent auxiliary for another year of providing the services of the boot and providing the coaching staff and time keepers with coffee and hot chocolate. The Parent Auxiliary donated money towards team tournaments throughout the year.

Thank you to Gail Colling for maintaining the picture board display in the lobby of the arena, thank you note was sent.

Thank to Kim Reid and Mike Fair for scheduling ice time throughout the year.

8.0 New Members

Two interested members attended the annual general meeting, Gary Rutledge and Carolyn Harris both were invited to attend our June 10, 2009 meeting for official nomination. Dave Charette who was unable to attend would be invited by Dan Wilken

- 9.0 Meeting adjournment moved by Grant Murray and 2nd by Heather Card, next annual general meeting date to be discussed at a later date.