South Bruce Minor Hockey Association

Annual General Meeting of Members

Thursday, May 29, 2014

7:30pm

Mildmay Carrick Community Complex

Minutes

1. Call to order and opening remarks;

-The meeting was called to order by Troy Fischer at 7:37pm

-5 membership were in attendance, plus 8 board members.

1. Approval of the agenda;

-A motion was made to approve the agenda as presented by Doug Ireland

-Seconded by Shawn Jones

1. Approval of the Minutes from the previous Meeting of the Membership;

-no previous minutes to approve

1. Receiving and approving the report of the Auditor of the Association for the 2013-2014 season;

-Bonnie Gamble and Tammy Hickling reviewed the financial records. Letters were read which stated they found everything balanced and correct.

-A motion to approve the auditors report as read was made by Doug Ireland

-Seconded by Nancy Berwick

1. Treasurer’s report for the 2013-2014 season;

-Donna Ruetz reviewed the treasurer’s report with the membership

-A motion was made to approve the report as presented by Linda Bross

-Seconded by Paul Tolton

1. Appointment of the Auditor for the 2014-2015 season;

-Bonnie and Tammy are be willing to audit the financial records again next season

- A motion was made by Shawn Jones to have Tammy Hickling and Bonnie Gamble audit the financial records again for the 2014-2015 hockey season

-Seconded by Debbie Jefferson

1. Receiving reports of the activities of the Association during the 2013-2014 season (as needed);
* No questions from the membership were raised
1. Receiving reports regarding the planned activities of the Association for the 2014-2015 season (as needed);

-Dan Schmacher raised a question about whether the 2007 aged players would be held in the IP program or moved to Novice depending on their skill level?

-Debbie replied to this question- The IP program planned for our association is a skill based program for 4-6 year old players. 7 year old players will be playing on the Novice with the option to stay in the IP program if they chose. Criteria is available for coaches to use to assess players according to skill. This will enable children to play with players of their own skill set. This will help to develop skills at an early level. Each grouping will be able to play games but game play will be staggered depending on their skill level. There will hopefully be 1 volunteer for every 5 players on the ice to help run the program.

-Dan Schumacher raised another question regarding programs for players such as Power skating and Goalie Clinics

-Debbie replied that she is looking into those programs (power skating, goalie clinics, and checking clinics) currently and they will be available for the 2014-15 season. There will be a fee for families to access these programs. The cost of these programs will not be part of the registration fees.

-Linda Bross asked what the overall consensus was of how the year went. Is there anything that we need to work on for the next season? Do we need to work on better communication between parents and teams?

-Troy Fischer replied that we feel we had a successful year .

-Debbie Jefferson replied that there were 36 coaches evaluation forms returned from 301 players. This seems to show satisfaction with our coaching staff.

-Doug Ireland replied that the booth seemed to work well across both communities. The hockey tournaments went well and community members supported this very well. Overall it was a successful financial year.

-Dan Bross raised a concern regarding the ice time balance between the two arenas, in particular game locations. Carl Kennedy shared the balance of practice and game times between the two communities for each team.

-Linda Bross asked if the Board of Directors had considered a Press Release in the Crier regarding the excellent season we had.

-The board responded that they would consider this and discuss writing this to submit to the Crier.

-Other comments were made regarding teams using the website to write reports about their games and to drop off copies of game sheets to the Crier so they can write an article for the paper.

1. Consideration of any proposed amendments to the Letter Patent or By-Laws of the Association;

-there were no proposed amendments received from the membership or the board of the directors

1. Election of the New Board – no positions are open at this time on the Board of Directors, all positions are entering year 2 of a two year position. Elections will be held next year pending the approval of the Amalgamation;
2. Motion to Adjourn.

-A motion to Adjourn the meeting was made by Carl Kennedy

-Seconded by Dan Bross

-Tentative date for next Board meeting: July 29, 2014 7:30pm at the Mildmay Medical Clinic Meeting Room.