

WHITBY GIRLS HOCKEY ASSOCIATION
EXECUTIVE MEETING
Thursday January 22nd, 2008

Time: 7:00pm – 9:30

Place: Whitby Girls Hockey Office, Iroquois Park Sports Complex, Whitby, Ontario

Present: President, 3rd VP/Admin Assistant, Treasurer, Equipment Director,
1st VP GM Hockey Operations, PR Director, Junior House League Director, Ice
Scheduler, Past President, Tournament Director

Regrets: Clothing Director, Director of Coach and Player Development, Referee in
Chief, Sponsorship Director, 2nd VP House League Director

Vacant: Registrar

1. Meeting called to order at 7:05pm
2. Approval of minutes from the last meeting

*Motion by the President to accept the minutes from the January 10th, 2008 meeting,
seconded by the 3rd VP, voted and carried.*

Executive Updates

Administrative update

Clean copy of Constitution given to all members, and will be posted on the website as soon as possible.

Player Registration is up to date, and residency has been added to all members. New on-line registration form is in the works with a Feb 15th live date.

Executive nomination form is being updated for posting on the website for mid February.

Equipment

Buffalo NHL jersey style was voted and approved. There appears to be a slight problem with our royal blue helmets and pants at the moment. We don't want to have to have the parents buy new equipment just to match the jerseys. Some players are already wearing the darker blue, so after discussion we have opted to have a phase in period where parents will have a period of time before the darker blue will be mandatory.

Motion by the President that we stick with the Buffalo NHL jersey and opt for a two year phase in period for changing the helmet and pants for players, so that by the 2010/2011

season all players must have the navy blue helmets and pants. Seconded by the Treasurer, voted and carried, one abstained.

Director presented 3 updated tenders for the jerseys for next season. Due to the fact that we decided to go with the Buffalo style, and new price quote was obtained from the top three companies. Tender reviewed and discussed.

Motion by the Equipment Director that the bid From Company C with conditions to be placed on the service contract, seconded by the Tournament Director, voted and carried, 1 abstained.

Clothing Director and the President have been working on the Clothing tender for next season, and it will be sent out in the next couple of weeks to the clothing companies.

GM Hockey Operations

LLFHL has issued their playoff format, and the coaches have all been sent the information. Playoff weekend will only have 4 teams in each division and tier.

Chad Ford, a coach in the WGHA has invited some US scouts to come and run a program for our Intermediate, and Midget girls. Ice has been arranged for Thursday March 13th, 2008. Maximum of 60 girls will be allowed into the program. Further details to follow.

Coach Selection Committee is working towards February 4th interviews. Midget AA and Intermediate AA coaches are in place for next season, and have been announced. Postings are up on the website. PR Director has issue with certain members of the association being on the coach selection committee. She would prefer that we have all non association members on the committee even if they are not interviewing in their particular division. GM is looking at this, but it is very difficult to obtain people with the appropriate qualifications who can donate the time.

Tournament Director asked who to send parent feedback to, and GM asked that it be sent to himself, or the Director of Coach and Player Development.

Tryout procedure and policy reviewed. Looking at limiting the number of skaters on the top team tryout for the first skate, splitting the skate into two skates. The coaches have difficulty sometimes assessing the higher caliber players, since they spend so much time evaluating the weaker players to be eliminated. Optically this may not look good. GM will discuss with the coaches and draft a suitable proposal to be brought forth at the next meeting.

Treasurer brought forth the numbers for paying the top team non parent coaches (Junior Wolves, Midget AA, and Bantam AA). Part of this could be funded by charging for the top team tryouts only. Numbers reviewed and discussed with the executive. Mentorship roll would be part of this package. Final Proposal to be deferred for the next meeting where we will vote.

Coach and Player Development

Director has contacted Scary Mary about next years development, and will be meeting with her about her plans for next year and talk about goalie development as well. House League development ice is going well, pretty much at full capacity.

President

Presented a custom Wolves composite stick that a local hockey store has developed and they would like to sell.

Motion that the store be allowed to sell the sticks, seconded by the Treasurer, voted and carried.

Potential strike by the City staff will affect out ice. President will keep us posted.

Past President

Intermediate showcase tournament that is coming up on February is a great showcase for the girls. Past President in pursuing a similar tournament that could run at the same time as our rep tournament, and running a high profile Intermediate AA division tagged on to our tournament.

Junior team is looking at purchasing a skate sharpening machine that could be used for the team and used by the association for certain events like the tournament ect. Further discussion and costs to follow.

Update on the PWHL and what has been going on. Past President will keep us informed. Packages for next years application will be coming out shortly.

Motion by the 3rd VP to adjourn the meeting, seconded by the President, voted and carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.