

P.V.M.H.A. EXECUTIVE MEETING

Thursday, April 15, 2004 – 7:30 p.m. – Morden

All members were present.

Female report

Louise reported that for the most part everything went smoothly in female hockey. There were a few complaints but maybe with a little re-alignment for next year even those could be eliminated. A full report will be given at the annual meeting.

Novice report

Myron reported that his first year on the executive had been challenging but rewarding. Since we split the teams into three divisions to cut down on travel, everyone was happy.

He's looking forward to next year and a full report will be given at the annual meeting.

Atom report

This division was shared by two people. George was in charge of the east division and Jim was in charge of the west division. George reported that there were few problems and everyone working together is what makes a program work. He would like to thank all the volunteers. George is leaving the executive to pursue other interests. We wish him well. Jim echoed the sentiments of George and thanks all the managers for prompt faxing of game sheets and letting him know of schedule changes. Again, a more detailed report including the Directors cup report which Jim was in charge of, will be given at the annual meeting

Pee Wee report

A two division concept was adopted this year which was then split into gold, silver and bronze for playoffs. In most cases things went very well. The Pee Wee skills camp was very well received in our region with 58 boys applying and attending the various camps. He would like to thank Hockey Manitoba for the additional camps to allow all applicants to participate in the program. A full report will be given at the annual meeting.

Bantam report

Bert would like to thank all coaches and managers for the smooth transition after Cal Kendall's departure. The league operated smoothly after the clarification of the playoff format. A more detailed report will be given at the annual meeting.

Midget report

This league ran smoothly as usual, with the team managers doing a terrific job. Suspensions were up a bit this year but this could be attributed to the incorporation of the High School suspension guidelines. Once players and coaches adjusted to the change, suspensions levelled off. A full report will be given at the annual meeting.

Bert also reported on the website. Things are pretty good but changes and minutes don't always get on the web page as quickly as he would like. (please remember that we all have lives outside of hockey.) Helen's comments

More details including the POE will be given at the annual meeting.

Referee report

Don reports that all in all it was a good season. Greg McDonald continues to take great strides on the officiating ladder

in the American league. For the 4th year in a row the number of officials in Pembina Valley is up and for the 5th year in a row, the number of serious infractions (hitting from behind, etc) decreased, thanks to the coaches, players, parents, and officials.

The three officials from Pembina Valley receiving awards at this years Hockey MB AGM are Ron Bartley-Most Deserving, Jason Van Deynze – Most Improved, and Josh Penner- Most Promising. Congratulations to these gentlemen, they represent our region very well.

Secretary-Treasurer's report

Helen reported that although it was a challenging year with the health problems she experienced, it was also very gratifying. Many thanks to Louise and the rest of the executive for always being there for me and the patience they had with my shortcomings. If they'll have me, I would like to continue with my job for another year.

Director's report

We changed our league format to two tiers from three this year and with the exception of the Pee Wee division everyone seemed very pleased. Less travel for everybody. Bill and Doug were involved in four boundary review meetings this year but to date no changes have been made.

Provincials were very busy this year with Pembina Valley hosting nine as well as the High School "A" and "AA" provincials in Swan Lake. I managed to get to most of the provincials and did opening ceremonies for some.

We had a very good turnout for all the Hockey MB year end programs this year and Pee Wee skills camp had an overwhelming response.

With Mike Phinney leaving us in October other members of the executive took on the jobs that he had been doing. Everything went very smoothly. I would like to thank Mike Phinney, George Froese and Cal Kendall for their time spent on the executive.

I have let my name stand for Chairman of Rural Minor East. My position with Pembina Valley might change after the Hockey MB AGM.

There will also be reports from the AAA Hawks and the High School at the annual meeting.

We discussed the notices of motion from Macdonald minor hockey which will be brought forward at the AGM.

We also read all the applications for scholarship awards and came up with four winners. It was a difficult choice but the winners are Sid Rashid, Angela Van Deynze, Matthew Jones and Doug Falk. The winners will receive their cheques shortly.

Meeting adjourned by Doug. Time 10:30 p.m.