

**Pembina Valley Minor Hockey Association
Executive Meeting
April 6, 2011**

Present: Jim Mutcheson, Matt Bestland, Sherry Rutherford, Brian McElroy, Kevin Scott, Warren Schroeder, Brent Smart, Greg Ens, Shane Froebe, Barb Orchard

The meeting was held at 7:30 p.m. in the Lions Room in Morden and chaired by Jim Mutcheson.

The agenda was circulated and approved.

The minutes of the February 15, 2011 Executive Meeting were read. Kevin Scott moved that the minutes be adopted as read. Brent Smart second. Carried.

Business Arising from the Minutes:

Jim has contacted the Soffilias family regarding the use of the funds received from the Western Hockey League. They in turn are going to contact the Robidoux and Froese families to see what their thoughts were and perhaps put forth a joint proposal to the PVMHA for approval.

Reports:

Directors Report:

Jim stated that the season has been long with several issues throughout the year. Jim thanked the executive for their assistance throughout the year especially through his first year as director.

Financial Report:

The Financial Summary was distributed and discussed. Barb moved that the report be adopted as presented. Warren Schroeder second.

Officials Report:

Brent reported that there were many official supervisions done throughout the region. Brent will be forwarding the list to Barb. This is Brent's last year with the Pembina Valley Minor Hockey Association. The Officials that will be recognized from within the Region at the Hockey Manitoba meeting are:

Most Dedicated – Brian Lauzon - McDonald

Most Improved – Kevin Klassen – Winkler

Most Promising – Parker McGillray – Carman

Jim expressed appreciation to Brent for his commitment to the Officials in the Region over the years. This position is an appointed position within the region and the appointment is then approved by Hockey Manitoba. The Official Clinics will be set up by both Brent and his replacement together for the coming season.

Mentorship:

Brian reported that there haven't been any clinics held recently. Brian is looking at adding another person on to the mentorship program from within the region.

Development:

Brian suggested that a Development 1 Clinic should be held in the PV region as there has not been one in the region for four years. The opportunity to host will be discussed at the Annual Meeting. Another item that should be mentioned at the annual meeting is that each association should provide names of people that would be available to assist or evaluate in the development programs.

Convenor Reports:

Novice – Matt Bestland

The league ran well with the exception of the issue between Morden and Red River. A lengthy discussion was held. Perhaps Association presidents need to be more aware of their coaches' and managers' behaviour and there needs to be a contact process that is followed.

Atom – Greg Ens

Not too much to report. The league went well.

Pee Wee – Warren Schroeder

There were no surprises in the league. Warren thanks the fellow executive members for their help in handing out the banners this year.

Bantam – Kevin Scott

The season went well.

Midget – Roger Chartier

Roger was unable to attend the meeting.

Female – Sherry Rutherford

The season went well. This season two atom female teams were created to go to provincials. For the next season they may roster earlier in the year to enable the team(s) to play some exhibition games and practice throughout the season to better prepare them to compete at the Provincial level.

New Business:

Midget Proposal:

Langdon would like to participate in the Pembina Valley midget league next season. A representative from the Langdon team has been invited to present their proposal at the AGM. In the course of the discussion, it was mentioned that perhaps the Midget League could benefit from the split season format.

Fines Levied Throughout the Year / Process for Next Year:

Send notification to the applicable team and the association president. A time limit for payment receipt will be strongly adhered to going forward. Notification when the payment has been received will be provided back to the appropriate convenor.

Pembina Valley Executive Elections:
Members up for election this year are:

Sherry Rutherford
Warren Schroeder
Greg Ens
Jim Mutcheson
Roger Chartier

Constitution Amendments:

The updates and amendments will be completed as soon as the committee has the opportunity to get together.

Scholarship Update:

The scholarship applications are up on the web site and the deadline to apply is June 5, 2011. The applications will be circulated via e-mail for evaluation by each executive member and the results will be compiled and reviewed at the next Executive meeting.

Provincial Report:

Pembina Valley Region did very well in the Provincial competitions. There were 28 medals awarded to Pembina Valley teams in the various categories. Any hosting centres in the Region that has issues, is encouraged to forward them on to Jim as director and incidents involving officials are to be forwarded to the PV Referee in Chief as soon as they occur so they can be dealt with and resolved in a timely manner.

Dr. Letain Award:

Brian McElroy moved that Bruce Third from Red River Wild be nominated as the recipient of the Dr. Letain award for this year. Greg Ens Second.

Pembina Valley / Central Plains and Mac Hockey:

There was a lengthy discussion held regarding single roster versus double roster as well as issues around the boundaries. In Central Plains they entertained the idea of a major age team and a minor age team but that may not be possible as each Region may only be allowed one "AA" Bantam team. The majority of the neighbouring regions are going with the single roster. There are many details that have to be addressed before it is a definite go that there will even be a league next season.

Playoff Review:

The playoffs were reviewed during the convenor reports.

Hockey Manitoba Notice of Motions:

Executive members are to review the Hockey Manitoba Notice of Motions and the motions that are pertinent to the Region will be highlighted and discussed at the Annual General Meeting for the Associations' input.

Association Presidents Meeting:

There will be a meeting for the next season's Association presidents that will be held in June. The meeting will serve as information / networking time that hopefully will facilitate an improvement in the communication between the region and the associations.

PVMHA Annual Meeting:

The date for the Pembina Valley Annual Meeting is April 20/2011 in Miami.

Open Discussion:

Pembina Valley Locker:

There are several golf shirts in inventory that are outdated in size and logos. It was decided that they would be donated and replaced with items that could be used.

Suspension Committee:

The executive is entertaining the idea of a committee that would be made up of non-executive members to deal with appeals that may arise due to suspensions that are handed out. Executive members are asked to put forward names who may want to serve on that committee.

Development Representative:

Each Association will be asked to bring the name of a representative from within their association that would serve as a development representative.

Development Summit:

Brian would like to see a one day summit held during the summer.

Suspensions:

It is important for suspended players, coaches, managers, officials to adhere to the guidelines of their suspensions or face further consequences.

Teiring Process:

A brief discussion was held regarding a process that the Region will develop for each Association to follow in the formation of their teams.

Next Meeting:

The next Executive Meeting will be in June with the date to be set at a later time.

The meeting adjourned at 10:55 p.m.