

**Pembina Valley Minor Hockey Association
Executive Meeting
January 7, 2009**

Present: Jim Mutcheson, Greg Ens, Louise Vigier, Kevin Scott, Vince Hink, Brian McElroy, Brent Smart, Bert Dow, Roger Chartier, Barb Orchard

The meeting was held in the Kinsman Room in the Morden Complex and was called to order by Bert Dow at 7:40 p.m.

The agenda was emailed to the executive members prior to the meeting and was approved as circulated.

The minutes of the September 11, 2008 Executive Meeting were read by Barb Orchard. Jim Mutcheson moved that the minutes be adopted as read. Louise Vigier second. Carried.

Business Arising from the Minutes:

- All managers and coaches should definitely attend the scheduling meeting
- POP program will be presented the first and second weekend of February – Development weekends – Bert and Brian will present.
- Esso Fun Days – very complicated to run – so possibly will offer a different format for the program – perhaps “bring a friend.”

Financial Report:

The financial report was circulated and presented. Greg Ens moved the adoption of the Financial Report. Vince Hink second. Carried.

Brent Smart - Official Report:

- the Officials' Meeting on October 27, 2008 went well.
- on January 26, 2009 a conditioning camp for officials will be offered in Miami from 7-10 p.m. The camp will offer both on and off ice conditioning.
- Brent is aware of one Directors Cup in Dauphin – this region can send three officials – one referee and two linesmen (the officials must be over 18 years of age.)
- Female Bantam Challenge – has some local female officials scheduled

Brian McElroy – Mentorship:

- Mentorship Clinics have been held in Altona and Treherne with approximately 12 participants attending at each location. The feed back was very positive. Each of the Hockey Canada Skills Camps had approximately 60 participants and 12 coaches.
- a Hitting Clinic was held in Carman and went over well.
- Goalie Clinics have been held in Miami, Roland and Elm Creek. This rotation will be followed three more times throughout the season so that each site will host four clinics.
- through the mentorship program, Brian has the Breakfast Club going again in Morden. There has been a very good response and have been as many as 20 participants at the sessions.

- there are still clinics scheduled in Manitou and Treherne.
- the Mentorship Program is gaining interest and awareness is growing.

Convenors:

Louise Vigier – Female:

- everything is going good.

Kevin Scott – Novice:

- everything is going good.

Greg Ens – Atom:

- there was a lot of work involved at the beginning of the season but things are going well now.

Vince Hink – Pee Wee:

- no concerns to report.
- Vince notices an improvement in rescheduling of games and the notification of those changes. This is attributed to the information provided to the managers at the scheduling meeting.

Jim Mutcheson – Bantams:

- lots of suspensions early in the season but things have settled down
- concerned about the number of games that have been cancelled and not rescheduled yet

Roger Chartier – Midget:

- it has been going well.
- the usual suspensions have been occurring.
- also a little concern in the number of games that have not been played that is causing the schedule to fall behind.

New Business:

Provincial Placements:

The team placements were all reviewed and any necessary playoffs and byes were determined.

Rock Lake Female Pee Wee team was moved from B to A because the team is not a team that is participating in regular league play.

East has home ice this year.

The first round of playoffs is to be completed by January 23, 2009, the second round is to be completed by February 6, 2009 and the third round is to be completed by February 15, 2009. The first two games must be scheduled and forwarded to the convenors prior to playing. The dates will not be extended. In the categories that only have one round to playoff, must be completed by February 6, 2009. All Provincial placements will be posted on the website.

League Issues:

Going forward, implementation of the new Provincial classification will have to be monitored to ensure that the guidelines are being followed.

Morden Bantam Female Complaint:

The incident that occurred during a game between Morden and Manitou was discussed at length.

Development Weekend:

Plans are well underway for the Development weekend. Details for all the various programs can be found on the website. Registration must be completed on line.

Other Items:

- each convenor will order the medals and banners for their leagues.
- scholarship applications will be sent to the schools at the end January.

The next meeting is February 17, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. in the Kinsman Room in Morden.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 p.m.