

**Pembina Valley Minor Hockey Association
Executive Meeting
January 4, 2010**

Present: Bert Dow, Jim Mutcheson, Kevin Scott, Warren Schroeder, Greg Ens, Louise Vigier, Brian McElory, Barb Orchard

The meeting was held in Winkler in the Board Room at the Ed Belfour Conditioning Centre.

The meeting chaired by Bert Dow and called to order at 7:30 p.m.

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

The minutes of the October 21, 2009 Executive Meeting were read and adopted as read by Barb Orchard. Second by Jim Mutcheson.

Business Arising from the Minutes:

The disciplinary committee will be following up with the situation regarding the subject of the hearing that was held Sunday, October 25, 2009.

Reports:

Directors Report – Bert Dow

The transfer requests are up to over 65. Bert reviewed some of the issues that have been dealt with.

Novice – Warren Schroeder

There has only been one unfortunate incident that has been dealt with otherwise things are going good.

Atoms – Greg Ens

The pilot project has gone well. Greg is pleased with the acceptance of the program and would not change how it was set up. It has been a lot of work but definitely worthwhile and will quite likely be easier next time through. Overall, teams are pleased with how it is going and are looking forward to the second half. It appears that the second half will be quite competitive. The league is completely new for the second half and all teams are aware.

Pee Wee – Kevin Scott

A request was submitted for unlimited use of an AP goalie as the regular goal tender has been away for several games. The AP would be used whenever the regular goal tender is absent. The request was approved.

Some concerns have been expressed to Kevin this season regarding the placement of some of the teams in the divisions. A lengthy discussion was held around the Pee Wee league and some of the one sided games.

Female – Louise Vigier

Everything is going well. A bond was taken from Morden Minor Hockey regarding the Morden Midget Female team missing game 32 on the Bantam/Midget Schedule and not notifying the opposition.

Bantam – Jim Mutcheson

A decision will be made some time in January as to which teams will be in the silver division and which will be in the gold division. Game sheets are being submitted in terrible condition – missing information, etc. Suspensions were heavy at the beginning of the season but seem to be levelling off now.

Midget – Bert Dow reported in the absence of Roger Chartier

Things are going well. Normal amount of suspensions.

Development Report – Brian McElroy

A successful practice has been held for the Central Region Male Winter Games Team in Manitou and the players are enthusiastic. The team is as listed below:

Goalies:

Keaton Bachalo	Portage AA
Robin Park	Rock Lake Silver (Pilot Mound)

Defensemen:

Jared Leiding	Morden
Tommy Wieler	Morden
Scott Wiebe	Portage AA
Jayed Smith	Gladstone / McGregor (MacGregor)
Kienan Rodgers	Portage AA (MacGregor)
Nathan Karlowsky	MacDonald Silver (Brunkild)
Jeremy Hodgins	Holland

Forwards:

Nicholas Zajac	Monarchs (Headingly)
Mitch Hansen	Monarchs (Headingly)
Derek Millar	MacDonald Silver (Oak Bluff)
Corey Messner	Manitou
Max Stewart	St. Eustache (Marquette)
Johl Swedlo	Portage AA
Tristen Keck	Morris High School (Morris)
Aaron Dupasquier	Portage AA (St. Claude)
Codi Lashewicz	MacDonald AA (Oak Bluff)
Jeremy Brooks	Portage AA

Brian reviewed an information package on Skills Development Camps with the Executive. It will also be posted on the web site. Information and forms are also included regarding application to the Legacy Funds.

Manitou, Morden, Winkler and Altona all have successful breakfast clubs going. Perhaps a brainstorming meeting needs to be held on a Regional level to bring in coaches, etc. to ensure that everyone across the region is on the same page regarding development of player skills.

New Business:

Provincial Placements:

The team placements were all reviewed and any necessary playoffs and byes were determined. All Provincial placements will be posted on the website. The dates to have Provincial playoff rounds completed are:

First Round - January 6th to January 17th

Second Round - January 18th to January 28th

Third Round - January 29th to February 10th

The schedule has to be submitted for each playoff round to the convenors with all three games scheduled. If requested, the convenor of each league will assign neutral officials for the third game. West has home ice in the 2010 Provincials playoffs. All Provincial placements will be posted on the website.

League – Banners/Medals:

Convenors should submit their banner requirements to Sheldon at Variety Advertising by January 15th. Convenors are also asked to provide numbers of medals required to Bert so that they can be ordered as well.

Development Programs:

The dates and locations have all been forwarded to Kyle at Hockey Manitoba and are posted on the Pembina Valley web site.

Warren Schroeder moved that the necessary Pinneys be ordered and purchased to accommodate the requirements of the Development Programs. Greg Ens second. Carried.

Breast Cancer Hockey Challenge Update:

The challenge has been very successful this year and there is already interest expressed and plans being made in some associations for next year.

Brian McElroy moved that the Pembina Valley Minor Hockey Association purchase an additional set of pink jerseys. Kevin Scott second. Carried.

Midget AAA Regionals:

Plans are coming along fine. The Winkler Flyers have come on board to assist. The use of the proceeds from the tournament is being discussed and has not yet been determined.

Scholarship Process 2010:

The Scholarship process will be continued as in the past years but will occur a little later on this year. Criteria will be reviewed and further discussion will be held at the next Executive Meeting.

Web Net:

Bert has been contacted by a national company regarding advertising on the Pembina Valley web page. No action will be taken. The possibility of using local advertisers will be explored. Further discussion was deferred to the next Executive Meeting.

The meeting was adjourned by Louise Vigier at 10:00 p.m.