



Agenda Orleans Minor Hockey Association



Date	September 13, 2017
Time	19:00:00
Location	Bob MacQuarrie Champneuf Room
Chair	Gilles Vanasse, President
Next Meeting	October 17, 2017

Orleans Minor Hockey Executive		
Position	Attendees	Absent
President	Gilles Vanasse	
Vice-President	Bob Picard	
Treasurer/Registrar	Louise Groulx	
Secretary	Julie Baccin	
Director, Competitive	Riccardo Panarella	
Director, Novice/Atom	Joel Neuheimer	
Director, Pee-Wee/Bantam	Dan Hurtibise	
Director, Midget/Juvenile	Jocelyn Murray	
Director, Discipline/Risk and Safety	Mike Begin	
Director, Mentorship	Kevin Gallagher	
Director, Communications and Public Relations	Michelle Couture	
Associates/Guests		
Ice Coordinator	Dave Stephenson	
IP Convenor	Craig Hale	

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

Reports from IP Conveners and Ice Scheduler

- Dave Stephenson: Dave reported that he was waiting for league schedules prior to dispensing practice ice to Blues and HL. The Mentorship Committee have been assigned all their requested ice. There are 2 hours of ice available the weekend of Sept 23, 2017. Dave has connected with Gloucester Centre and Blackburn associations in regard to setting up exhibition games, but there has been minimal response; Dave suggested that Directors reach out to their corresponding Director in each of these associations to set up an exhibition games. Dave has one hour of ice per team on the weekend for the purpose of exhibition games. Joel commented that he would prefer to play against Leitrim and Metcalfe for exhibition games in order to get a good idea of how the teams



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are set, given that Leitrim and Metcalfe have good teams at certain levels. Joel thanked Dave for all his effort with ice scheduling and the evaluation software.

- Craig Hale: Craig reported that he would like to create a living document for IP operations that could be passed down and modified year to year. For example, for party planning, a budget template and tracking template will be provided. As well the IP parent meeting is booked for the 21st of September and on September 23-24th Craig will meet with people who will be on ice assistants. Craig requested assistance from board members for help on the Sept 30th morning evaluation as he is busy with work...unless the ice time can be changed to the afternoon; he will send an email out this effect. Craig also reported that he would like to book the IP fun days far in advance so ice distribution can be avoided on those days; Oct 31, Mar 2 and Feb 18 may be considered as Fun Day dates. Two trainers are in place for the IP program. We have equipment to start with the sessions. Jerseys are in and are numbered; Louise will be looking at them with Clarence tomorrow. Tim Horton coaching day is scheduled for Oct 29th 2017. The IP coaching clinic will be the third week of October; Craig reported that they will need ~10 new coaches.

Ice Scheduler and IP Convener excused from meeting

Review and approval of Minutes of August 21, 2017

Mike clarified who should be taking the Gender Diversity course; additional persons beyond the head coach and trainer. Mike suggested mentors, board members, and assistant coaches or anyone who is on the bench should be taking this course. This will be the direction of the OMHA. Jocelyn suggested that head coach and trainer take it by the deadline but others to be taken by a later date, within 30 days of being placed on the roster (end of October).

Approval of Minutes of August 21, 2017

Motion: Joel

Second: Louise

Carried: all

Agenda and Executive Reports

Gilles Vanasse, President

- Gilles stated that the 'two deep' rule super-cedes the fact when a player is coming forward to talk about gender with the coaching staff; there need to have two adults in the room with the player. One of these can be the parent if the child is in agreement.



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- Referee Complaint Process—a document regarding process will be drawn up following Sept 14 meeting.
- Gilles reminded Directors that we should do our best to accommodate requests for Exhibition games (during evaluations) from other associations, and vice versa.
- The 67's promotion for this year: parent pays for ticket to the game and the player gets admission for free. This includes players from IP to Bantam, inclusive.
- Game sheets are in the OMHA office for Directors to pick up for home games; there will be 2-3 extra game sheets provided.
- GHA Meeting Summary:
- President, District Chair, Reg MacDonald: Game sheets were provided to all of the association's for HL for the regular season. The HEO changed their Bylaw 1.04 to have Minor under their governance. This still has to be ratified at the HEO AGM in June 2018 requiring 2/3 vote in favour. HEO Minor have not posted the associations' HL tournaments on their website, to date; *the OMHA Atom tournament has now been posted; Gilles will send an e-mail to HEO Minor requesting they post the Atom tournament information on their site ASAP.
- D9 Referee-in-Chief, Bill Wong: a meeting will occur with association discipline reps to hammer out the referee complaint process, end to end. Gilles will organize the meeting Sept 14th. A list of all officials and the levels was provided. All officials passed their PRCs. Associations need to book officials for HL evaluations and exhibition games ASAP. They are still working on the online process to confirm that officials have been booked.
- 2nd VP House League, Wally Montpetit: Questioned if associations are icing Peewee C teams. Gilles stated that the OMHA will probably ice a C team but will confirm after the OMHA board meeting on Tuesday. It appears as though it may be possible that Blackburn and GC may not ice Peewee C teams. As well Wally asked if associations are interested in icing Bantam C teams. Gilles stated that most likely OMHA will not, but will confirm for sure after the OMHA board meeting on Tuesday; Metcalfe and Lietrim are planning on icing C teams. Juvenile starts on September 30th. The numbers are down this year; GC has 6 players registered. Midget starts on Oct 5 and all other divisions begin on October 7th.
ROSTERS HAVE TO BE SENT TO GHA BEFORE THE SEASON STARTS
A special meeting on September 24 is scheduled for team allocation discussions (1 PM)
- 1st VP Competitive, Jenn Primeau: 37 D9 players made AAA teams. The association Rep B teams need to be more cooperative with Rangers pulling up late releases back up. When transferring registration fees to the Rangers, we should transfer the funds minus the Pay Pal fees--start next season.
- Treasurer, Karen Ouellette: we lost 520 hours of ice in the last two years but we have paid \$47,000 more in that same time. A meeting with our councilors within our district



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- is recommended. Karen is requesting that the Presidents collectively attend a meeting with her. Gilles will support this on behalf of the OMHA.
- Discipline Chair, Lucas Cacciotti: A meeting with the Discipline reps is scheduled for Sept 19 at 7 PM at the HEO office. Lucas will be sending out the carry over suspensions once the teams are entered into the TTM
 - GHA Registrar, Brian Flynn: Head, assistant coaches and trainers are to take the gender awareness course by October 1 or they can't be behind the bench. Coaches that are put on the roster after October 1st will have 30 days to complete the course. Club affiliation letters are signed by Joe Rubino, as acting president.
 - Risk and Safety, Michelle Benson: Checked with HEO about the PRC protocol. HEO is not clear if any consequences will occur should non-compliance happen. No governance seems to be in place for this. This applies to volunteers who need to renew their PRC, so existing valid PRCs are still ok and exempt from the protocol.
 - Lietrim Minor Hockey Association: The association is still in need of goalies. They will assist with equipment and registration fees. OMHA Risk and Safety and board needs to establish and document the PRC storage process.
 - Rule Changes:
 - 11.10: delete rule to have 12 teams maximum during tournaments. - PASSED
 - 28.6: game rescheduling needing 7 days' notice as opposed to 20 days - PASSED
 - 12.6: allow requests for exception to the team allocation chart by specific date determined at the annual June meeting - PASSED
 - 12.7: remove the rule that forces associations to have equal or greater number of skaters at the higher levels. - DEFEATED
 - 26.4: Three minor penalties warrants an ejection (new rule) - PASSED (will be in TTM for tracking)

Bob Picard Vice President

- Bob reported having to deal with a Blues issue (should have been a GC issue); soon to be resolved.

Louise Groulx, Treasurer/Registrar

- The OMHA Town hall is scheduled for Sept 20 7:00-9:00 in Hall C; discussion occurred of whether OMHA is prepared for this presentation. It was determined that a later date once the season is underway, would be better. The board will revisit this issue at the November board meeting. The week following the Atom tournament was suggested as a potential date; Louise will reschedule the room booking.
- The Coaches/Managers meeting is scheduled for Oct 3rd 7:00-9:00 pm in Hall C and upstairs conference room.



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- The Code of Conduct meeting is scheduled for Sept 26th upstairs in Champneuf room from 8:00-10:00 pm. This is a mandatory meeting for Bantam Midget players and all coaches of every level.
- Player and team photographs by MVP Photography are scheduled on Nov 19 and 26th from 8:00 am-5:00 pm; guaranteed photos by Christmas.
- Registration: 72 transfers have been completed.
- There are 528 registered players; 320 were early bird registrants. IP-45, Novice-66, Atom- 96, PeeWee-85, Bantam-94, Midget- 128, Juvenile- 14. There have been 39 refunds. *Note, these numbers include players going competitive.
- Atom tournament plans are moving along; the tournament is scheduled on the same weekend as the OMHA Bantam Midget tourney.

Riccardo Panarella, Director of Competitive

- Tryouts are complete; there will be one team at all levels. Nine teams will be iced.
- Blues tournament set for the end of month; 6-8 teams in each division. Need more for minor midget but a call has gone out for recruitment of teams.
- Rosters are being composed and Gender training info is being given out. Riccardo reported that budgets will be more diligent and timely this year.
- Riccardo inquired about the home association status of a few players.

Joel Neuheimer, Director Novice/Atom

- Joel provided an update on Novice/Atom evaluations; they are going well and will be completed by end of next weekend.
- Joel discussed next steps in regard to an issue with a member of the association who has minimal respect for the workings and time effort of the board and the evaluations. All members need to treat volunteers with respect. Discussion occurred about this ongoing issue. Bob will look to schedule a meeting with this parent member.
- Joel has reached out to Leitrim and Metcalfe to schedule exhibition games.
- Joel commended Riccardo for his quick notification of releases; very helpful for House League evaluations. He formally thanked Jean-Francois Laurin for running the OMHA goalie evaluations which were very professional and much appreciated. Joel also expressed thanks and gratitude to Joey Parker, an outstanding volunteer over the evaluation weekends; Joel has received many commendations on this individual.
- Novice has 58 players for a total of four (4) teams: 'A' team has 16 players and 'B1' and 'B2' teams have 14 players a piece and 'C' team has 14 players.
- Atom division has five (5) teams: 'A' team has 16 players; 'B1' has 13 players; 'B2' has 13 players; 'B3' has 12 players and 'C' team has 16 players. Each team has a player interested in playing goalie. There is the potential for movement or application for exception in regard to the numbers at the 'C' level.



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Dan Hurtibise, Director Pee-Wee/Bantam

- Tryouts are very busy but going well.
- Bantam jerseys very well received by all players.
- There are three players who will not get evaluated due to current injuries; Dan will further discuss Gilles and Bob.
- There are 62 skaters and 4 goalies at Bantam. Dan queried if the OMHA could go to four 4 teams; one 'A' and three 'B'.
- There are 50 skaters and 6 goalies at PeeWee; 4 teams are anticipated at this level.

Jocelyn Murray, Director Midget/Juvenile

- Jocelyn thanked Jean Francois for goalie evaluation; appreciated the great effort.
- There are 98 players 6 goalies between Midget and Juvenile; will need evaluators for the Midget sort out sessions.
- Jocelyn will forward the document that Craig is creating for review and final approval.
- There is one coach application for Juvenile.

Mike Begin, Director Discipline/Risk/Safety

- Twelve coach interviews have been completed with seven left to do (excluding Midget and Juvenile).
- Mike reported that feedback was positive in regard to the First Aid training for trainers. We will need to discuss whether this will be mandatory for all trainers or just those that are in the pilot group. Discussion occurred regarding the appropriateness of this First Aid course and suggestions to pilot this at the Novice, Atom and Peewee levels. Mike agreed to put forth a motion for the First Aid training course via email and requested that board members respond promptly to the motion.

Kevin Gallagher, Director of Mentorship

- Has ice for mentorship and development (Nov-Atom-PW skating development)
- Kevin will send an information document to Joel and Michelle. Michelle will actually dispense this document.
- New mentor Jocelyn Clement; still one vacancy.

Michelle Couture, Director of Communications

- Michelle will forward the skating development information to members, upon receipt.

New Business:

- There was no new business to report.



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Motion to Adjourn Meeting:

Motion: Riccardo Panarella **Second:** Dan Hurtibise **Carried:** All

Meeting adjourned: 9:06 pm

Next Meeting: October 17, 2017 7:00pm