**PRESENT** Paul Moffatt, Paula Bates, Rhonda Straatman, Julie Hayter, Brian Jubenville, Darrin Angus, Derek Holmes, Brad Smith, Sue Thorne, Adam MacKellar, Dan Davidson, Chris Cran, Marty Swan

**REGRETS** Brian Thorne

**LATE**

1. **CALL TO ORDER –** 7:37pm
2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Added to the agenda:

8.6 TPH

8.4 Teams Off Ice Warm Up

8.5 Merchandise

8.6 ROO

*Chris Cran made a motion to accept the agenda seconded by Dan Davidson****.* CARRIED**

1. **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

*Chris Cran**made a motion to accept the minutes of the previous meeting dated December 13, 2016 and seconded by Brad Smith.* **CARRIED**

1. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

**4.1 (8.1) Returning Players –** Payment has been received from the returning players. Since the meeting the midgets had another player return from Junior C. (Fraser Wilson and Clay Dolbear)

**4.2 (8.4) Banquet Date -**  Chris Cran has booked the Brooke-Alvinston hall for April 1, 2017. Adam MacKellar questioned if it would be considered to be moved to a Friday night? The weekend of April 1, multiple coaches were unable to attend. The other Saturday available in the month of April is during Easter. After discussing the dates a vote was taken and decided the banquet will be Friday April 21st. It will be scheduled to begin at 6pm. Chris Cran will look into booking this.

**4.3 (8.6) Laurie Boschman** – Darrin Angus has booked Laurie Boschman to come March 4th. Ice will be blocked off in Alvinston from 3-7pm. It will be offered to Tyke-Peewee.

1. **CORRESPONDENCE –** Paul Moffatt had received a call from Thomas Shanahan’s parents requesting a cheque back since Thomas has decided to not continue with hockey. The midget LL coach, Chris Cran had set rules at the beginning of the season and when one of the rules were broken, Thomas was notified he would not be allowed to play the following game. Rule set for the midget LL team was after 8min in penalties, players will serve a game given by the coach. A disagreement between the coach, player and his parents took place. Another executive member at the arena at the time (Marty Swan) was brought into witness the discussion. Since then the player has quit and is requesting a refund. No player that quits in the month of December or later will receive a refund.

Paul Moffatt will be speaking with the entire midget LL team and parents if they wish to discuss the rules of conduct and the behaviour on the ice.

1. **TREASURERS REPORT**

Paula Bates reported the current balance is $107381.83

$3000 has been put into the float in Alvinston.

Paula reviewed the balance sheet and the current GIC’s. The GIC for $76050 is up for renewal. For now, until we know the financial wishes of the Lambton Attack the GIC will be left alone.

*Adam MacKellar motioned to accept the treasurers’ report as read and seconded by Derek Holmes.*

**CARRIED**

1. **LEAGUE REPORTS**
	1. **OMHA Report** – The playoff format was completed. All our teams have started in a series.

Midget vs Lambton Shores, Bantam vs South West, Peewee vs Belmont (finished) moved on to North Middlesex, Atom got a bye and are now playing Lucan, Novice vs North Middlesex.

The scheduling is all complete and contracts are sent. Game sheets are sent to the same person as regular season. Adam has reminded all coaches to take rosters and contract to each game. AP deadline was Jan 15, 2017.

* 1. **LEAGUE Report** – The league needs to know by January 23 if they opt in or out of league playoffs. Adam has already spoke with all the coaches and they are opting in. Adam questioned the boards thoughts on if the league is starting too early and ending to early. After discussing the league ELMHA executive felt if can start later but not to end as early.
	2. **LAMBTON MIDDLESEX LEAGUE Report** – Marty Swan reported that the Tyke had their scheduling meeting. It was discussed that they need to come up with a better system for the tykes. It was felt that the 6 games played to break off into groups was not working. Feb 14, 2017 is the next meeting. Coaches are to be there as it is the scheduling meeting. Meeting is at 8pm.
	3. **LAMBTON ATTACK –** Julie Hayter presented a financial report for the Lambton Attack, showing expenses that both ELMHA and PMHA have each paid. Julie reported that ELMHA makes up 34% of the girls playing for the Lambton Attack and PMHA is at 66%. The goal is for ELMHA to pay 34%. Chris Cran reported that the midget girls coached by Phil Dechamps made it to the silver stick finals.
1. **NEW BUSINESS**
	1. **Silver Stick Update** – Sue Thorne reported it went well. Alvinston kitchen had a few shifts that did not fill up but it worked out ok. Those who did not work silver stick will be having their volunteer cheques cashed as they did not meet the volunteer requirements. Sue will review the list of families to see who will be having their cheques cashed.
	2. **Mite Day –** Julie Hayter reported that she had 11 teams lined up for the Monday but has recently had one team drop out. She has received confirmation from 6 other teams to run the tournament on Sunday as well. The tournament will be held Sunday Feb 19 and Monday Feb 20th. Teams will only be required one of the days. This will require more volunteers. Julie and Sue will discuss the shifts and work them out.
	3. **Awards –** Chris Cran had questioned if we could get delete some of the awards. Most of the awards are memorial awards so was felt that was not an option. It was suggested that only handing out the overall winner award vs giving one to all teams. This year it will be left the same but the following season it will be reviewed sooner. Brian Jubenville will be posting on the website regularly asking for coaches evaluations. The hope is we will receive more. The OWHA /EMLHA award going to the team that goes the farthest has been donated to the Lambton Attack.
	4. **Emergency Action Plan –** Brad Smith has completed the emergency action plans for both arenas. Brad spoke with Mike Bryce and Janet Denkers and has received approval from both municipalities. Brian Jubenville will be posting on the website.
	5. **Lambton Attack –** Paul Moffatt asked what the Lambton Attack had come up with at their past meeting. Julie reported that the board came up with a list of talking points and will meet with the sub groups. They planned to meet with ELMHA then meet with PMHA. It was requested that they meet together when they present their formulas. On the list of talking points: Locker Room, Equipment (pilons, pucks) Ice Schedule, Fundraising, Financial Separation. Another lengthy discussion took place questioning what would be required to financially separate. Paul Moffatt will be looking into some more information. The sub committee will consist of Paul Moffatt, Paula Bates and Brian Thorne. They will schedule a meeting with the Lambton Attack to hear what they have to present.
	6. **TPH –** Paul Moffatt had questioned if it was time to scale back with TPH. In the month of January teams are beginning play downs and not attending their scheduled TPH times. The tykes will begin to be added to the rotation. Next season Paul suggested that January be reviewed and possibly take one month off.
	7. **Teams Off Ice Pre Game Warm Up –** Rhonda Straatman mentioned that she had spoken with Janet Denkers from the Brooke Alvinston Township regarding teams running up the stairs and running up the ramp at the arena. There is a concern that this is a liability issue and request that ELMHA have their teams stop warming up in these areas. On the prior Sunday a team was running up the ramp and a player was injured requiring an ambulance to come. Rhonda Straatman will contact Janet to have a letter drawn up to put on the website and send to the leagues to notify them that this is not allowed at the Alvinston Arena.
	8. **Merchandise –** Darrin Angus had questioned if ElMHA has considered having merchandise to sell. Sue Thorne does have mini sticks to sell and we have had tatoos in the past. The executive gave permission to Darrin if he wished to look into it or had someone interested in that to go ahead and gather that information.
	9. **ROO –** Brian Jubenville began reviewing other associations ROO during the Christmas holidays. He noticed that most have a mission statement that ELMHA does not have with their ROO. ELMHA does have a mission statement but is in the constitution. The ROO committee members will begin meeting 30 minutes prior to the executive meetings to review the ROO.
2. **NEXT MEETING** - The next meeting date is pending for Tuesday February 21. The date will be scheduled for after the Lambton Attack has met. The meeting will be in Watford .
3. **ADJOURNMENTS**

The meeting was motioned to be adjourned.

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