



Meeting Record of Decision
Gloucester Rangers Board of Directors
November 15, 2011, 6:30 pm
Fred Barrett – Meeting Room

Attendees: Gary Schreider (GWS), Gregg Stepto (GS), Jennifer Primeau (JP), Christine Castleman (CC), Marc Berube (MB) Heather DeChamplain (HD), Reg MacDonald (RM), Rob Bateman (RB), Pamela Boisvert (PB)

Absent: Ed Hansen (EH), Ernie Schroeder (ES), Martin Taillefer (MT)

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Approval of Agenda	<p>Meeting called to order at 6:40pm.</p> <p><i>Motion to approve the agenda as presented – Moved by HD seconded by CC – carried.</i></p>	
Previous Minutes	<p>Minutes from the October 17th, 2011 meeting were reviewed. No errors or omissions were identified.</p> <p>Carry Forward from October 17th, 2011 Minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JP to update GRMH Operating Procedures & Policy on Process for Affiliation • GWS request for access to referee notification system <p><i>Motion to approve minutes of October 17th, 2011 as prepared. Moved (GWS) – seconded (CC) – carried.</i></p>	<p>RM to request access</p>
Update From Chair	<p>Pamela Boisvert was introduced to the Gloucester Rangers Board by Jennifer Primeau . Pamela has accepted the position of Director, Public Relations.</p>	
Major Novice Rep B for 2012 - 2013	<p>An initiative was presented to the board for comment on a pilot program to introduce at the Rep B level a major novice division for the 2012 -2013 season.</p> <p>The discussion focused on the additional travel and cost commitments as well as pressures being put on 8 year old players and whether this level would improve player development in the long term. The lack of available ice to field additional teams at the Rep B level for this level was also discussed. The introduction of Novice Rep B should be given consideration if additional ice could be made available without impacting existing ice allocations to current competitive and house league</p>	

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	<p>programs.</p> <p><i>Motion in support of expanding the Rep B level to include a major novice division for 2012 -2013 season.</i> Moved (RM) – seconded (PB) – defeated.</p>	
<p>Major PeeWee AAA Expansion for 2012 - 2013</p>	<p>An initiative was presented to the board for comment and review to expand the AAA program to include a Major PeeWee division for the 2012 -2013 season.</p> <p>The discussion focused on lack of available ice and development of players. Board members expressed concerns that the introduction of the AAA level would result in the A level being dropped which would reduce the number of competitive hockey opportunities for all players.</p> <p><i>Motion in support of expanding the AAA level to include a major PeeWee division for 2012 -2013 season.</i> Moved (MB) – seconded (RM) – defeated.</p>	
<p>Board Members Intentions for 2012/2013</p>	<p>JP asked board members to start thinking about their intentions as Board members for 2012/2013.</p> <p>At the December Board Meeting members will be asked to declare their intentions for next year.</p>	
<p>Debrief From District 9 Competitive Meeting</p>	<p>Main discussion of the meeting was around governance and standards related to competitive hockey. JP tabled a document for all members to review and provide feedback at next meeting.</p> <p>GHA, VP Competitive will be summarizing the feedback and proposals. This will be tabled at a meeting in February.</p>	
<p>Round Table</p> <p>Rangers Chair</p>	<p>Tabled a document from MT on the elimination of items from the Rangers Budget template that may not be directly hockey related.</p> <p>It was suggested that the items identified in the document are discretionary items and are voted on by the parents. These items can be removed at any time by a team vote.</p> <p>MT document also identified possible increase to the coach’s honorarium. This will be tabled at the Rangers board meeting in January, when budgets are looked at, and if passed it will</p>	

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	<p>presented at the AGM for feedback from the members.</p> <p>JP indicated that the Board will need to look at number of teams that will be iced for 2012/2013 season. As demographics play a large role in the decision, the board will like to look at the number of players that move to the 67's AAA and Cyclones AAA organizations.</p> <p>Future of Midget AAA – proposal by OEMHL to collapse Midget AAA to 3 years. A committee has been formed. The Rangers organization asked to be members on committee but we were refused. HC will attending the OEMHL meeting and will express our disappointment on not being included.</p>	
Secretary	Minutes are to be posted on the Rangers.	GS to send most recent minutes to PB for posting.
Director Ice Scheduling	<p>Less ice is available this year during the week. The GHA allocated ice is on week-ends, however a vast majority of the Rangers games are also on week-ends, which is making scheduling difficult.</p> <p>It was brought up that some ice not being utilized by some organizations. If one encounters ice that is not being used, it should be reported to RM.</p>	
VC Administration	<p>Affiliation list for team are almost complete.</p> <p>Blackburn Major Midget funds transfers are outstanding.</p> <p>All reconciliation amounts have been sent to each team.</p> <p>Gloucester-Orleans Rep B try-out fees will be refunded by home association.</p>	JP to send note to Blackburn association requesting transfers
VC Hockey Operations	<p>All teams doing well and in the top half of the standings.</p> <p>Picture night invoice was received and paid.</p> <p>Development clinics are still experiencing some issues. The on ice product is being well received. Some confusion on coaches</p>	MB to remind teams

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	<p>showing up for clinics and maintaining the Rangers two deep policy in the dressing rooms remains in effect.</p> <p>Coach meeting was held in October.</p> <p>Mid Season Coaches evaluations</p>	<p>of their roles during these sessions.</p> <p>JP and MB to co-ordinate with Liaisons the process to follow.</p>
District 9 Chair	<p>Reminder to all teams and coaches that reporting of suspensions is important. GHA are watching all reporting closely.</p> <p>Reminder that all trainers are required to have helmets on the bench and should be wearing them when attending to players on the ice.</p> <p>Potential for bondable police checks next season. RM to provide further information as more is made available on this subject.</p> <p>Cyclone AAA president is stepping down. They will be looking for a replacement.</p>	<p>MB to remind coaches that it is their responsibility to ensure all suspensions are reported ASAP.</p> <p>MB to send reminder</p>
Director, Conduct and Discipline	<p>Suspensions from areas that enforce higher penalties than are administered locally must be handled manually in the system. As the local system does not track the additional games.</p>	<p>GWS to send info to teams</p>
Director, Public Relations	<p>Has been working with the Web master on the new Rangers site. Feedback has been positive on the new site.</p> <p>Looking into options for additional fundraising with community partners.</p> <p>Looking into refreshing the showcases at Earl Armstrong Arena.</p> <p>Ranger Rings and Banquet to be discussed with JP.</p>	<p>JP to set meeting with PB.</p>
Director, Risk and	<p>Update provided by JP.</p>	

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Safety	<p>Police Checks all completed except for one, which is being worked on.</p> <p>Concussion Seminar will be held Dec 10th.</p>	
Director, Equipment	<p>Order placed for extra socks. Reminder to all teams that socks should be stored with jerseys in the jersey bag or separate pocket on hockey bag.</p>	<p>ES to send out reminder to teams</p>
Closing	<p><i>Motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:02pm.</i> Moved by GWS and seconded by RB – carried.</p>	