

HOCKEY



***2017 FALL MEETING
JUNIOR COUNCIL E-BINDER
VIA CONFERENCE CALL***

September 16, 2017



HOCKEY NL
2017 FALL MEETING PROPOSED AGENDA
Albatross Hotel, Gander, NL



Thursday, September 14, 2017		R00M
4:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.	Minor Council Executive Committee Meeting	Boardroom
5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.	Executive Committee Meeting	Salon B/C
Friday, September 15, 2017		
8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Minor Council Executive Committee Meeting	Boardroom
8:30 a.m.– 1:00 p.m.	Executive Committee Meeting	Salon B/C
2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	Hockey Development Committee Meeting	Salon D
4:30 p.m.– 9:30 p.m.	Registration	3rd Floor Foyer
6:00 p.m.	Board of Director’s Photo (Please Wear Hockey NL Apparel)	Salon A
6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.	Facilitator Training	Salon D
7:00 p.m.– 7:30 p.m.	Plenary Session (Delegates & Observers from all divisions of Hockey)	Salon A
7:45 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.	Minor Council Meetings	Salon E/F
9:30 p.m.	Hospitality	Salon A
Saturday, September 16, 2017		
8:00 a.m.– 10:00 a.m.	Registration	3rd Floor Foyer
8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.	Minor Council Meetings	Salon E/F
8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Female Committee Meetings	Salon A
9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Senior Council Meetings	Salon B/C
9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Facilitator Training	Salon D
10:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.	Junior Council Meetings via Conference Call	Conference Call
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Break	
12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.	LUNCH BREAK	
5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	Officer’s Meeting	Salon D

Further Plenary Sessions & Council Meetings will be at the call of the President.
 Lunch Break is to be determined by each Council/Committee Chair



**HOCKEY NL
2017 PLENARY SESSION**



PLENARY SESSION – FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2017 (7:00 p.m.)			TIME
1.	Welcome & Greetings	President Jack Lee	5 Minutes
2.	Roll Call of Voting Delegates of Plenary Session	Executive Director Craig Tulk	5 Minutes
3.	Tabling of Minutes of the: 2017 Annual General Meeting Plenary Minutes	President Jack Lee	5 Minutes
4.	Business Arising	President Jack Lee	5 Minutes
5.	President's Report	President Jack Lee	5 Minutes
6.	2016-2017 Audit Report	President Jack Lee / Executive Director Craig Tulk	5 Minutes
7.	Questions & Answer		

**HOCKEY NEWFOUNDLAND & LABRADOR
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
JUNIOR COUNCIL JUNE 09 - 11, 2017
ALBATROSS MOTEL, GANDER**

MINUTES

As recorded by Bern Tobin, HNL Junior Council Secretary.
Saturday, June, 10, 2017, 12:30pm.... Adjourned 4:00 pm

1..... WELCOME:

HNL Junior Council Chair, Gerry Taylor, called the meeting to order 12:30pm... Charlie Welcomed all to the Meeting.

2..... JUNIOR CHAIR GERRY TAYLOR ASKED FOR PRESENTATION of CREDENTIALS and ROLL CALL:

Junior Council ChairGerry Taylor
Junior Council Vice Chair Charlie Kearsey
Junior Council Rec. Secretary Bern Tobin
Junior Council Eastern Area Director George Bursell
Junior Council Western Area DirectorRon Downey
Junior Council Central Area Director Lloyd Bursey

2 (i)..... JUNIOR ASSOCIATIONS' VOTING DELEGATES:

As the Central West Jr. Hockey League was not registered in the HNL there were no League Representatives present.

St. John's Jr. Hockey League Voting Representative, Steven Clarke
St. John's Jr. Hockey League2nd voting Representative. (not present)
St. John's Jr. Hockey League Team AvalonDerrick Hutchens (gm)
St. John's Jr. Hockey League Team CB. North Brian Ryan (team rep.)
St. John's Jr. Hockey LeagueTeam Jr.Celtics Greg Ryerson (Coach)
St. John's Jr. Hockey LeagueTeam Mt. Pearl Fred Blair (g.m.)
St. John's Jr. Hockey LeagueTeam S. Shore Ian Sullivan (President)
St. John's Jr. Hockey LeagueTeam TP. Flyers Barry Drake (team exec)
***St. John's Jr. Hockey League ...Team CB. Region Roger Powell
***St. John's Jr. Hockey League ...Team St. John's **(NO SHOW)**

14 voting delegates === 7 teams + 1 league + 6 council members.

2 (ii)..... JUNIOR ASSOCIATIONS' ALTERNATES (Non-Voting):

SJJHL ...Doug Tibbo....Team Northeast Jr. Eagles .. (GM)
SJJHL ... Kevin Tobin....CB. Regional Jr. Renegades (Team Executive)
SJJHL ... Dale Sullivan... Southern Shore Jr. Breakers (Coach)

3..... ADDITIONS TO AGENDA:

Junior Council Chair, Gerry Taylor asked for any additions to the Agenda.
No additions to the Agenda.

4..... TABLING & ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA:

Gerry then asked for a Mover to accept the Agenda as is...

So Moved by Barry Drake 2nd by Greg Ryerson..... Voted on .Accepted.

5..... ADOPTION OF THE SEPTEMBER 2016 HNL FALL MEETING:

Junior Council Secretary, Bern Tobin Read out the Sept, 2016 HNL Fall Minutes.
When he was finished the Meeting Chair Gerry Taylor asked for a Motion &

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Seconder to accept the Minutes as read out by Bern Tobin.

Gerry asked if there was any business arising from the Fall Minutes.

So moved by Derrick Hutchens 2nd By Fred Blair.

6..... BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE 2016 HNL FALL MEETING:

Junior Chair Gerry Taylor asked, "any business arising from the Fall Meeting Minutes?" No one came forward, No additions arose to the Fall Meeting Minutes.

7..... REPORTS:

(a)..... Western Area Director Ron Downey's Report:

Again this year Ron noted, "that his report on Junior Hockey out in his area has not changed. There's just nothing out there. No one interested in reviving it. Ron noted, "again the Corner Brook Minor System turned out over 40 or more midgets. CB Minor Juvenile League lost two teams. . Players are being enticed to play senior, recreational, or juvenile. It looks like there's no Junior in the west for the future. Ron Downey thanked Gerry Taylor for time and services with the Junior Council. (NO REPORT ATTACHED)).

(b) Central Area Director Lloyd Burse's Report Lloyd gave his report. He too reiterated his views on Junior Hockey in Central. It's 4 years now and we're not fortunate enough to have any form of hockey for our graduating midgets. Lloyd went on to say in the Lewisporte they thought that something may be on the move. But nothing transpired as there is no competitive hockey of any form. Lloyd Burse also thanked Gerry Taylor for his time and services with the Junior Council. (NO REPORT ATTACHED)

(c)..... Eastern Area Director George Bursell's Report: George said, the SJJHL opened the 2016-2017 with the return of the 8 teams. He said, we opened our League games on September 30, 2016 closing out on April 07, 2017. We had our very first season of televised games and our All Star game. George Congratulated all teams in the SJJHL for a great Season and to the new executive Also the league's first place team overall, S.Shore Junior Breakers, and they are the League Champs and Congratulations on a fine representation of the SJJHL at the DJMC. The Breakers are to be commended for their fine showing at the DJMC and having 3 of players added to the 6 man All Star Team. George said the League held it's AGM on June 05, 2017 and he was returned as President along with (6) new Officers almost a new slate. Jim Hare Vice President, Bern Tobin remains with the position of Treasurer, Cathy Doyle Secretary, Carl Lake Public Relations, Gerry Taylor Statistician, Steven Clarke Director of Minor Officials and Wayne Carter Director at Large. George mentioned Paradise did wish to put a team in the League this year. Their application of 2016-2017 was rejected by a vote of the teams and Executive and now must re-apply in 2019-2020 season. The League is ready to go for 2017-2018 and will open in September with all 8 teams returning. George closed out his report by thanking Gerry Taylor for valuable time and service over the years.

(d)..... Junior Vice-Chair's Report: Vice-Chair Charlie mentioned he attended the DJMC and wish to congratulate the S.S. Jr Breakers for their decorum and attitude at the hotel and the overall event. He congratulated the Jr Breakers on having three off their players nominated to the All Star Team. Charlie then spoke on the DJMC. He stated that he met with the Executive Members of the DJMC and they suggested a new event format for NL. They said this is just a suggestion. NL should come up with some way that they could play for the Don Johnson Cup. NL could have the top 4 teams in their League play for the DJ Cup. Charlie stated the Atlantic Teams said they would not mind stepping away from the event. He they said it is due to the tremendous amount of money it costs NL to travel 3 of the 4 times it is held off the island. In closing

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Charlie said the Atlantic teams stated the cost of travel to NL for them is usually \$10,000 to \$15,000.

(e)..... Secretary's Report..... Bern noted he had nothing to add.

(f)..... Junior Chair's Report: Chair, Gerry Taylor Congratulated the Southern Shore Junior Breakers on the winning of the League 1st Place Overall and then topping it off with winning the League Championship. He also congratulated the Avalon Jr Capitals for a fine showing in the finals against the Breakers. Jr Breakers then onto the DJMC and a fine showing at the Atlantic Championships.

8..... ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

Gerry Evans entered the Room. Gerry Taylor welcomed Gerry Evans and asked if he would Chair the Jr. Council Election of officers. Gerry E. noted that outgoing Chair Gerry Taylor still retains his voting privileges until after the Elections are declared. He then went onto say that there are 3 members of the Junior Council including 2 Area Directors who have returned by acclamation..

They are **Bern Tobin Secretary... George Bursell Eastern Director & Lloyd Bursay Central Director.** Therefore the 3 Junior Council Members returning are declared according to the Constitution. On that note Gerry E. stated that two seats are up for Elections. He mentioned #1 The Chair of Junior Council for which Charlie Kearsay is running for and Derrick Hutchens, who also entered his name.

#2 the Vice-Chair of Junior Council is vacant and 2 people are running for that position.

Ron Downey & Doug Tibbo. The voting proceeded with the position of the **Chair.**

Charlie Kearsay as being declared the new Chair of the Junior Council. The spot for

Vice-Chair: In the first ballot it went into a tie. Upon a 2nd ballot it was noted that

Doug Tibbo won the Vice Chair position. Gerry E. mentioned that the Western Area

Director is still open. Bern Tobin nominated Ron Downey to the position. 2nd by Lloyd

Bursay. Gerry asked if anyone was opposed to Ron Downey seeking that position. No

replies. Gerry E. declared **Ron Downey Western Area Director** by acclamation.

Gerry E. then stated that he declares the Elections of Officers according to the

Constitution, now closed.

9..... NEW BUSINESS:

On (a), (b), (c), (d), (e) & (f).... Junior Council Chair, Charlie Kearsay thanked Gerry

E. for his valuable time and asked all newly elected Officers to take their seats. Charlie

said his first duty as Jr. Council Chair is to thank Gerry Taylor for his many years of

service, Gerry has dedicated most of his valuable time and services to the Junior

Council. He also stated, We must all get on the same page. What goes on in this

room, stays in this room. Charlie asked if any of the elected Members have any

comments. (no replies) (Gerry Kelly and Dec Lecour assisted with the voting count.)

Still under New Business, Charlie asked George Bursell if he would like to speak on

the Motions and get them off the table. As George began to speak on the Governance

and the Referee-in-Chief's position to be set as an appointment instead of elected,

Murray Roberts entered the room. Charlie welcomed Murray and mentioned that

George Bursell was getting ready to go through the Notice of Motions. . Murray said

he was there to answer any questions the room would like to have answered .. Charlie

then asked George to carry on with the Notice of Motions ... George carried on with

the Notice of Motions with explanations of each. George made note of #189 taken out

and entered into the HNL Policy Manual. When George had finished with the Notice of

Motions, Charlie asked if anyone had any questions. Charlie thanked Murray for

coming into our room

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10... Discussions from the Floor:

(a)..... HNL President's Report: President Jack Lee entered the room. He thanked everyone for coming to the meeting. Jack said, First he would like to thank Gerry Taylor for his many years of service with the HNL and in particular his involvement with Junior Hockey and Council for the last 9 years on the Board. Jack congratulated the newly elected Members to the Junior Council. He also congratulated the S. Shore Junior Breakers on winning the SJJHL Championship and great showing at the Don Johnson. George Bursell asked Jack on the 4 man system and the extra cost of \$12,000 to a League that has no sponsor. Jack noted that the HNL has a right to make increases where feasible and the SJJHL has a right to appeal. Charlie thanked Jack for coming in.

(b)..... Executive Director's Report:

Craig Tulk came into the room. He congratulated the League's Team Jr Breakers on winning the League Championship and a fine showing at the Don Johnson. Craig said that this year the teams will find an increase in registration fees. (a)... To register here today, an extra \$5.00. Also teams \$300 to register. All Junior Players increase of \$10 now \$95.00 each.... All Non-Playing Bench Staff & Team/ League Volunteers increase of \$10.... now \$65.00 each..... Charlie thanked Craig for coming in.

(c)..... Referee in Chief's Report.

"Don Kelly entered the room: He spoke on Gerry Taylor and the many, many years of service he has given to Junior Hockey and the HNL. He congratulated the S.Shore on winning the League Championship. Don spoke highly of the caliber of officilas presently in the Province and the great job that Kevin Heffernan has been doing the years. Bern asked Don if there will be an increase in Official fees this year. Don noted that they contemplated that but decided not to forego on it for this year. George Bursell asked concerning rulr 9.2 a.. and other infractions dropped from the Junior Supplement. Also the referees ultimatum of not doing games after 8:10pm. George said, the teams have no control on when a rink jumps a game ahead by an hour due to minor on before Junior. Don said that they are addressing many of those issues. On the referees games time, that has been addressed and they will be doing their jobs as assigned per game and time. George said and what about referees inconsistencies. Don said that they have been hearing this year after year and if you find this is still an issue call me or Kevin and we will address it. Fred Blair spoke on the referees carrying chips on their shoulders and interacting with the coach and bench staff. We find this very difficult to deal with. Gerry Taylor answered with, "Junior is the training tool for Officials. Also Coaches are in control of attitudes." Fred said the 4th man is a waste of money. Charlie thanked Don for coming in.

(d)..... Hockey Development Chair's Report....

Ken Chafe entered the room, He said, Thank you to Gerry Taylor for his mentorship over the many years he served on the HNL Board and it is sad to see you go. Ken congratulated the newly elected Executive. Ken mention his certificate and the difficulty in obtaining it. He noted that they will be hosting a seminar in the near future. Time and date unknown. Ken began speaking on his position with the HNL Board. When Ken finished his introduction. Charlie thanked him for coming in.

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11... Recognizing Visiting Hockey Persons :

(a)..... Dr. Jared Butler entered the room: He spoke briefly on concussions. He has chaired a committee to get the word out there concerning Head Hits and the severity of concussions. We have a pocket card that will help make the public aware of concussions. The cards will be forthcoming by the opening of the 2017-2018 season. Charlie thanked Dr. Butler for coming into our room.

(b)..... George introduce Mr Frank Healey to the room. Mr Healey spoke on his involvement with the Heart & Stroke Foundation, NL... He spoke of the young and Healthy dropping dead from Heart Diseases. We are a society of processed foods and hydrogenated fats and greases. He spoke on the Defibrillators and their importance to saving a person life in the case of a Heart Attack. They are just as important in arenas as the fire extinguishers. 67% of heart attacks are caused by the lack of activity and proper dieting. The Heart Foundation NL will soon be fundraising with an event called, "Skate for the Heart." He noted that if you ever need further information the contact person is our Co-ordinator Mr.Gerry Healey at 383 1026. When Mr Healey finished, Charlie thank him for coming into our room.

(c)..... Referee Ed Flood entered the room. He spoke on his tenure as an Official and his involvement in the Officiating field and the number of years involved. He mentioned running for the Chair of Referee in Chief. When Ed finished, Charlie thanked him for coming into our room.

12... Other Business: Charlie asked if there were any other business. (No replies.)

13... Charlie said if there is no other business. Then I ask for someone to move for an adjournment. So moved by Lloyd Bursey. Seconded by Ron Downey.. The meeting adjourned at 3:55pm.

Chair, Junior Hockey Report June 2017

During the 2016-17 hockey season HNL did not have a junior league operate in either the Central or Western Regions, that was unfortunate. I believe all players who have learned to love and play the game at an early age should be able to continue participating until life takes them on a different path. The young players who live in the Central and Western Regions of our Province have to accept the fact that, in most cases, when they graduate out of Minor Hockey their playing days in a competitive game of hockey is over. I wish we could change that.

In the Eastern Region the SJJHL had another successful season. Eight teams participated, each team played a 28 game schedule not including the play off rounds. In the playoff rounds all eight teams participated first in a quarter finals series, then the four remaining teams played a semi final series with the winning teams advancing to the league Finals. In the Finals series the two successful teams, this year, the Avalon Jr. Capitals and the Southern Shore Jr. Breakers, played a best of seven with the Southern Shore Jr. Breakers claiming the League Championship in seven games and earning the right to represent the Province at the DJMC which was held this year in Fredricton, NB. We congratulate the Junior Breakers on winning the League Championship and then representing HNL at the DJMC. At the DJMC the Jr. Breakers played well winning the first two games but losing the remaining games all by a close score. Most importantly the team played well and represented the Province and their league well. The DJMC is an expensive tournament for our teams to participate in. At the end of each season the successful team who wins the league championship finds themselves having to raise a large amount of money in a very short time to cover travel and other expenses to allow them to participate in the DJMC tournament. I have always viewed the DJMC as a reward to the team who wins the league championship by giving those players a chance to see and play against teams from out of Province. I have always saw participating in the DJMC off the Island as a learning experience for our players to help them grow and experience life and the game of hockey outside the norm. But to have a team participate in the DJMC it puts a lot of strain on those who have the responsibility for team operations. At the end of a long season to then take on an expense almost equal to the cost of operating a team for a full season is a big commitment. It's easy to understand why our team operators are not in favour of participating in the DJMC. As we go forward its hard to predict the future of the DJMC. The people who support and operate our teams do a tremendous job in meeting the demands for our teams to not only play a full schedule but if their team is successful in winning the league championship to then participate in the DJMC. My hat is off to all those who give of their time and talents to make this happen.

In closing my hat is off to the executive committee and the teams of the SJJHL for their work done in providing another season of hockey to our young players.

As well I thank the members of our junior council who have provided me with support and guidance in the junior hockey operations over the past season. I enjoyed every minute of your company and the participation in the game at the HNL level. At the end of this weekend my intention is to move back to helping in the SJJHL, I wish each of you well at the HNL level .

Thank you,
Gerry