



2<sup>nd</sup> Pre-Season

## Meeting of the Executive

Sept 13, 2005

8:00pm - Stanley's

### **In attendance:**

Don Taylor, Doug Gordon, Doug Collins, Rob Church, Lorne Gerrard, Dennis Stobbe, Brian Unger (non-voting member)

### **1. Welcome New Team**

We are pleased to welcome "The Ice" to the RIHL. The Ice is managed by Rob Church.

### **2. 2005-2006 Schedule:**

The 2005-2006 schedule has been approved

### **3. RIHL Deadbeat Policy:**

A motion deferred from the previous pre-season meeting was tabled:

*"Any RIHL Player which owes money to a RIHL Team will not be permitted to play for another team - until fees owed are paid to his previous team."*

Amended motion:

*"Any RIHL Player which owes money to a RIHL Team will not be permitted to play for another team - until fees owed are paid to his previous team. The player in question will have the option to appeal and will be allowed to play pending a ruling of the League Executive"*

After much discussion, the amended motion was put to a vote.

***Result: 3 in favour, 3 opposed - the motion is defeated***

### **4. Rules and Regulations:**

No new rules have been proposed at this time.

A review of the RIHL rules revealed that Rule 5 a is outdated from a 7 team league when 6 teams made the play-offs. It was amended to suit the 6 team format where only 4 teams make the play-offs.

### **5. Other Business:**

Another discussion arose regarding the NHL decision to ignore the centre red line and eliminate the two line offside rule. The Coast Hockey League (with whom we share officials) was opting to follow suit, whereas the RIHL had already decided not to eliminate the two line offside. There is concern that this may result in missed calls by the officials.

While it was agreed that this may pose a problem, it was also agreed the RIHL is an independent league and free to make its own rules. The decision to keep the red line was upheld with the understanding that the situation could be reviewed if it proves to be a problem.

A concern was raised regarding poor ice condition. The arena will be contacted in this regard.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned.