CALL TO ORDER:
The Meeting was called to order at 7:08pm by Carson seconded by Sean

REVIEW OF MINUTES:
The minutes from December 15, 2011 were reviewed and accepted by Roger seconded by Sean—Carried

DELEGATIONS:
1) Poker tournament to be tabled for this season - Closed

2) Dance will be tabled and brought forward next year with a committee of members as well as Executive. Closed

3) Warren, Najette, Sean and Valerie met for the By-law and ROO Committee. Recommended changes were brought forward to the executive. The executive voted on changes and they will now be brought forward to the AGM for the members to vote on. See recommended changes attached.

4) Committee met for fee structure and registration next year…..discussed with Executive, changes will be made and brought forward to the next executive meeting. - OPEN

CORRESPONDENCE:
1) Letters were read and discussed from Peewee Rep Coaches regarding GM 21 received in game vs. Coldwater. Motion #14 January 26, 2012—to reduce the Essa matched penalty for a Peewee Rep Coach who received a GM21 in the game vs. Coldwater from 3 games to 1 game. Motioned by Trevor seconded by Carson - Carried
2) Resignation received from Valerie Campbell for the Local League Contact position effective after the AGM in March 2012. The position will be posted as open so candidates may apply and be voted on at the AGM.

**PREVIOUS BUSINESS:**

1) Discussion regarding Essa Minor Hockey property. How do we get it back from coaches at the end of the season and Executive staff leaving the executive? Warren will draft up an official contract that the coaches/executive need to sign listing all Essa Minor Hockey Property in their possession. It will be updated during the season as deemed necessary - OPEN

2) Discussion to donate a plaque to the Angus Legion in recognition of their generosity for use of the Legion during many meetings and picture night. **Motion #15 January 26, 2012**--To donate a plaque to the Angus Legion not to exceed $100 in recognition of their generosity in letting Essa Minor Hockey use the Legion for their many meetings and Picture Night. Motioned by Sean seconded by Roger - Carried

3) Money for the Barrie Colts Fundraising is due on Sunday January 29th. Tickets are selling well.

**REPORTS:**

**Beth Eggleton - Registrar:** Absent; Nothing to report

**Carson Wyatt - Acting Treasurer/Acting Assoc. Head Coach:** Essa Parks and Recreation spring book is already completed. We might be too late to get an advertisement into the book. I will find out cost of the advertisements so we can get one in the Fall book. I inquired about the canteen in Angus. The Lions have the lease until 2013. I will get more information regarding the operations of the canteen. Financials were discussed. Need firm dates for the body checking clinics and flyers to go out to the members announcing the clinics. Received back only a few of the mid season coaching forms. Will discuss them with the coaching staff.

**Heidi Chomniak - Acting Vice President/Corporate Secretary:** Playoff passes have been handed out and explained to the managers. The nomination notice and nomination forms are ready to be posted. All managers will receive letters to give to the members regarding the notice of the AGM. I will send out any letters that the managers are unable to hand deliver. We need to communicate to the members that although all positions are available for next season it doesn't mean that none of the executive are returning. It only means that the terms are expired or were acting and the executive needs to be voted in by the members. Most of the executive will be staying on but some are applying for different positions. I need all nomination forms handed in by February 29th to be considered for the position. All forms handed in after that date will be considered for an Acting Position for one season.

**Jim Malcolm - Public Relations Director:** Looking at changing the fee schedule for sponsors....still in discussion with Essa Township regarding the wall in the arena. We would like a space to advertise that the Arena is the home of Essa Minor hockey. We want to advertise our sponsors, Put the Essa Logo on the wall and post team pictures....Looking into the sponsor a road program to have our name on the sign and we clean the area a few times a year.....going to look into photographer for picture night and compare pricing. Would like to see a year end questionnaire from the members regarding how their experience was with Essa Minor Hockey and ideas for the next season.

**Jim Thomson -** Absent, No report sent.

**NaJette Goulard--Acting Jr. Coordinator:** Absent, No report sent.

**Roger Allain - Referee in Chief:** Nothing further to report.
Sean Gaudet - Acting OMHA Contact: Playoffs for the Rep teams will be a round robin this year. The Georgian Bay will look at adopting this for future seasons if all goes well this year. This will mean more games for the Rep teams during playoffs.......the Rep All Star Game will be held in Shelburne on April 6th.................OMHA is encouraging centres to host timekeeping clinics in September...............Insurance reconciliation assessment has been done and sent to the OMHA. We are to receive a refund for overpayment.

Stephanie Barnes - Tournaments: Absent no report sent.

Trevor Bolt - Fundraising: Nothing further to report

Valerie Campbell - LL Contact/Ice Convenor/Acting President: Local League game are to end on Midnight Saturday 28th and then I will start scheduling the playoff games.....doing the contracts for the Rep Team Round Robin playoffs. The ice schedule is going to get very tight. There will be more shared practices.....Midgets are starting their OMHA Playdowns......Discussed registration costs, bond fees, fundraising tickets and the number of teams for next season.

Warren Cooper - Equipment: Sold some more socks from inventory....received 3 quotes for Essa Pins. Teams that are going to Baltimore need the pins for exchange with the other teams. Motion #17 January 26, 2012--to purchase 500 Essa Minor Hockey pins with maximum cost of $560. Motioned by Sean seconded by Roger - Carried

NEW BUSINESS:

1) Discussion regarding the AGM meeting. In order to get more people to attend we would like to offer the members a $20 credit towards registration for the 2012-2013 hockey season. Motion #16 January 26, 2012--to offer a $20 credit per family for those that attend the AGM (signature must be on attendance sheet at AGM) non transferrable towards their 2012-2013 registration fee no cash value. Motioned by Carson seconded by Warren - Carried

2) Need to approach Barrie Fair committee to see if they would be interested in Essa doing the parking and gate fee again this year - OPEN

3) Discussion regarding the bookkeeping position for next season - OPEN

MOTIONS:

Motion #1 - #13 See attached ROO And Bylaw Changes

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**ADJOURNMENT:**
The meeting was adjourned at 9:55pm by: Warren seconded by: Heidi

**ATTACHMENTS:**
By-Laws and ROO Changes

**FUTURE MEETINGS:**
- February 23, 2012
- March 15, 2012
- March 22, 2012
- AGM
- April 26, 2012
- May 24, 2012
BY LAW CHANGES

8.1 (c) Elected Officers
The elected Officers will consist of President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, OMHA Centre Contact, Local League Centre Contact, Referee -in-Chief, Association Head Coach, Junior Coordinator, and Risk Management Officer, all of whom will serve on the Executive Committee.

Rationale: Eliminating Junior Coordinator. All responsibilities will be transferred to Local League Contact.

Motion #1 January 26, 2012—to accept the above changes to bylaw 8.1c and carry forward to the AGM in March. Motioned by Warren seconded by Jim M - Carried

8.1 (d) Appointed Officers
The appointed Officers will consist of Directors to fill the positions of: Equipment Manager, Tournament Director, Timekeeping Director, Ice Convenor, Fundraising Director, Canteen Manager, Registrar, Public Relations Director, and Bond Director all of whom shall serve on the Executive Committee.

Rationale: Add Bond Director as a new position to the executive.

Motion #2 January 26, 2012—to accept the above changes to bylaw 8.1d and carry forward to the AGM in March. Motioned by Roger seconded by Carson - Carried

8.2 Term of Office
(a) The positions of President, Vice President, OMHA Centre Contact, Local League Centre Contact and Junior Coordinator shall be for a three (3) year term.

Rationale: Eliminate the Junior Coordinator position. All responsibilities will be transferred to the Local League Contact.

Motion #3 January 26, 2012—to accept the above changes to bylaw 8.2a and carry forward to the AGM in March. Motioned by Warren seconded by Jim – Carried

10.6 Quorum
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Rationale: To clarify the quorum rule. The President has no vote at executive meetings except to break a tie vote.

Motion #4 January 26, 2012—to accept the above changes to bylaw 10.6 and carry forward to the AGM in March. Motioned by Sean seconded by Trevor – Carried

11.1 Responsibilities of Officers
(k) Junior Coordinator
The Junior Coordinator shall:

i) Be responsible for the Initiation Program;
ii) Be responsible for the Tyke Division in conjunction with the Local League Contact;
iii) Have the right to be a member on the Coach Selection Committee with respect to the Initiation Program and the Tyke Divisions;
iv) have the authority to suspend any member of the Coaching Staff as deemed necessary until a meeting of the Executive Committee has been convened to discuss the matter of the suspension;
v) Work with the Ice Convenor, OMHA Contact and Local League Contact with respect to ice schedule;
vi) Ensure the EMHA Initiation Program conforms to the 'current' OMHA Rules, Regulations and Guidelines;
vii) Carry out other duties as assigned by the Executive Committee or the President.

Rationale: Eliminate the Junior Coordinator position. All responsibilities will be transferred to the Local League Contact.
Motion #5 January 26, 2012—to accept the above changes to bylaw 11.1k and carry forward to the AGM in March. Motioned by Warren seconded by Trevor – Carried

11.1 (o) Equipment Manager

vii) Ordering and resale of apparel
viii) Carry out other duties as assigned by the Executive Committee or the President.

Rationale: add apparel responsibility to the equipment manager’s duties. Renumber all subsequent duties.

Motion #6 January 26, 2012—to accept the above changes to bylaw 11.1o and carry forward to the AGM in March. Motioned by Trevor seconded by Carson – Carried

Bond Director

i) Approve the duties that qualify for bond points and coordinate the distribution of the bond-qualified duties to the volunteer members.

ii) Responsible for assigning the number of points allotted to each qualified bond duty.

i) Responsible for the record keeping of each member’s bond points toward the fulfillment of their bond commitment each hockey season.

ii) Submit a status report to the President, Vice President and Treasurer bi-monthly. An update is to be given to all executive members at the monthly executive meetings.

iii) Carry out duties as assigned by the Executive Committee or the President.

Rationale: Add the position of Bond Director to coordinate all activities related to bond hours/points

Motion #7 January 26, 2012—to accept the above changes to bylaw bond director (new) and carry forward to the AGM in March. Motioned by Carson seconded by Trevor – Carried

11.1 (e) Local League

iv) Be responsible for the Initiation/Timbits program.

v) Be responsible for the Tyke division

Rationale: Add the Junior Coordinator responsibilities into the Local League position

Motion #8 January 26, 2012—to accept the above changes to bylaw 11.1e and carry forward to the AGM in March. Motioned by Sean seconded by Roger – Carried

8.2 Term of Office

F) In the event of the resignation of the President or Vice President the sequence of positions are listed in by-law 11.1 will state the next Acting President or Acting Vice President. The next executive in line must qualify through the eligibility rule 8.1(a)v). If the executive does not meet the eligibility rule, the order will continue in sequence until an executive in line meets the eligibility rule.

Rationale: Add f to clarify the sequence of positions and the procedure of next in charge for the President and Vice President

Motion #9 January 26, 2012—to accept the above changes to bylaw 8.2f and carry forward to the AGM in March. Motioned by Jim M. seconded by Roger – Carried
ROO CHANGES

7.6 Team Manager

m. Responsible for recording bond points for team

Rationale: To add responsibility for bond point tracking to the team managers duties

Motion #10 January 26, 2012—to accept the above changes to ROO 7.6m and carry forward to the AGM in March.
Motioned by Carson seconded by Warren – Carried

8.3 Representative Teams

b. All Representative Teams must dress at least thirteen (13) ten (10) players, including two (2) one (1) goaltender for each game. If a Representative Team cannot meet these criteria, the Coach or Manager must explain in writing the reason why, in order to receive the approval of the Executive Committee.

Rationale: change to reflect the smaller teams in Essa

Motion #11 January 26, 2012—to accept the above changes to ROO 8.3b and carry forward to the AGM in March.
Motioned by Warren seconded by Sean – Carried

e. Rep fees are non refundable and will be determined by the Executive and shall be paid to EMHA by Nov 1st of each year. Failure to comply will can include loss of practice time or loss of OMHA Playdowns result in loss of extra practice time. Rep fees provide for but are not limited to providing the team with additional practice.

Rationale: Rep fees are no longer used to pay for extra ice time. They are used to cover the additional cost of the rep teams OMHA Playdowns

Motion #12 January 26, 2012—to accept the above changes to ROO 8.3e and carry forward to the AGM in March.
Motioned by Jim M. seconded by Sean – Carried

k. Tryouts for Representative Teams will be determined by July 1st by the executive for the upcoming season. commence the second or third week of August each year.

Rationale: Many people are on vacation in August during the tryouts and unable to attend. By changing it to the Executive will determine the date allows the flexibility to hold tryouts at different dates

Motion #13 January 26, 2012—to accept the above changes to ROO 8.3k and carry forward to the AGM in March.
Motioned by Warren seconded by Roger – Carried