

**RMMHA
EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES**

Date: June 1, 2015

Time: 6:45 p.m. Planet Ice Meeting Room

EXECUTIVE IN ATTENDANCE:

Carolyn Gosling

Blaine Hallman

Scott Falconer

Angela Schulte

Roxanne Reid

Derek Bedard

Derek Gullmes

Pamela Galvez

Peter Dubinsky (late)

Bruce Vasarhely (late)

Excused: Tony Coombs, Nolan Balatti

James Eccles – Director of Hockey in attendance

QUORUM

1. **Motion** to approve minutes from May 4, 2015 – Roxanne. Seconded by Derek G. **Carried**
2. Spring Development Update – moving along well. No idea what the numbers are at this point in terms of registration. Most are only about 50% of available space registered.
3. Apparel Committee Update – the committee has met and come up with some design ideas. Discussed various brands and qualities of jerseys available. Looked at jersey designs that are proposed.
4. BC Hockey AGM Resolutions – discussed resolutions and proposed budget for BC Hockey AGM.
5. Registration report – 723 registered as of 4:30 p.m. today. A huge influx of registrations came in over the weekend.
6. Hockey Coaches Conference – discussion was that sending 10 coaches would be great at a cost of \$399 plus tax per coach. **Motion** that we purchase up to 10 tickets for the coaches conference to be distributed amongst our coaches to be determined by James, Scott, Blaine and Derek G. – Derek G. Seconded by Roxanne. **Carried**
7. **Motion** to approve payables in the amount of \$11,859.64 – Angela. Seconded by Derek G. **Carried**

8. Summer Development Program Approval – discussion on what James is proposing in terms of programming, age groups and costs. Call it a Development Camp and go ahead with the program as proposed by James. **Motion** that we allow James to go ahead and put together the Summer Development Camp program, and he is permitted to make changes as he sees fit to manage the program – Bruce. Seconded by Derek G. **Carried**
9. **Motion** that we nominate Evelyn Pederson to be acknowledged as a Lifetime Member – Blaine. Seconded by Derek G. **Carried**
10. PCAHA AGM Update – Cross-ice for Hockey 2 motion recommended by PCAHA was accepted, but it was amended to apply it only to Hockey 2 and Hockey 3 up until Christmas. The Motion concerning president series games can be cancelled if they are mean nothing games with only the decision of the Managing Director. Went back to all teams will play in the A Playoffs (not just top 16).
11. Team Jersey Bags – the equipment managers have indicated that most of the jersey bags are falling apart and need to be replaced. Derek G. will include it with the jersey apparel order and we will wait and see.
12. Juvenile Provincial Championships – Derek B. is proposing that we put in a bid to host the Juvenile ‘A’ Provincial Championships. **Motion** that RMMHA reaches out to BC Hockey to express interest in hosting the Juvenile ‘A’ Provincial Championships – Derek B. Seconded by Scott. **Carried**
13. Returning Player – Injured – a player was injured with a severe concussion in November last year. The player is still recovering and the parents are unsure if he will be able to return to games until late 2015 or early 2016 depending on his progress, although the neurologist has indicated he should be able to begin practicing in the fall sometime. The parents are wondering if they should register and pay now to ensure there is a spot if he is able to play. They have to follow doctor’s orders and be cleared to play, but can go ahead and register if they want to.

Open Discussions:

1. Derek Gullmes – wanted to discuss our Spring Development program – perhaps we should be looking to offer a Spring Team program instead, as Seafair does (the Kodiaks). He thinks we should discuss this early to try to roll this out for next Spring. It might be a better use of our Spring ice and our skill instructors, etc. – Discussion. We don’t need to decide this tonight but just something Derek wanted to begin to discuss.
2. We have a meeting coming up with the City of Maple Ridge and the arena representatives that Derek G., Blaine, Scott and Carolyn will be attending to discuss

many of our concerns around ice and the ice facilities. Derek G. gave a brief background on what discussions have already taken place.

3. **Motion** that we create a plaque for Evelyn Pederson in honour of her being granted Lifetime Membership – Blaine. Seconded by Derek B. **Carried**
4. Sportsmanship Starts in the Stands Program – new item coming from BC Hockey – will discuss as the first agenda item at our next meeting.
5. Equipment Swap – would like to do it again this year – probably mid-August (the weekend before the Golf Tournament). Derek G. will organize it and would like some help.

Motion to adjourn – Derek G. Seconded by Roxanne **Carried**

Meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

BOARD REPORTS

Derek Bedard – Referee-in-Chief:

Hey all,

I hope everyone is doing well and enjoying this beautiful weather!

I have nothing to report on referees other than that some emails are starting to come in from prospective new referees.

The apparel committee will be forwarding sweater concepts and have general updates Monday night.

I will be attending the PCAHA AGM this coming Sunday and will have an update Monday night.

Lastly, I have spoken with some board members regarding an idea that I have had for a few weeks now. I have attached a PDF of the proposal that I have been working on lately, I would like everyone to go over it. I have asked Carolyn to add the agenda Monday that our association prepare to bid on hosting the 2016 Juvenile BC Hockey Provincial Championships.

Thanks and enjoy your weekend!

Roxanne Reid – Registrar and Communications:

Hope everyone's doing well. My inbox is exploding with registrations and questions, so things are pretty full-on all-round in my world right now.

REGISTRATION REPORT

Registration #s as of 6:13 pm Friday, May 29:

TOTAL OF 584 players

Hockey 1: 14
Hockey 2: 32
Hockey 3: 51
Hockey 4: 49
Atom C: 53
Atom A: 63
Peewee C: 52
Peewee A: 55
Bantam C: 43
Bantam A: 57
Midget C: 46
Midget A: 42
Juvenile A: 18 (Great job Derek B!)

Juvenile C: 9 (Have had email from Poco that they have 6-7 registered in this division so far and do have some ice held and are willing to put teams together if anyone is looking for that)

IF THERE ARE ANY DIVISIONS THAT NEED TO BE CUT-OFF OR WAIT-LISTED PLEASE ADVISE ASAP.

TRANSFERS TO HOLD SPOTS FOR:

I've got a few "transfers" coming in that we need to hold spots for including:

Atom - 2 players

- one that I'm not sure whether A or C yet

Peewee A - 2 Players

- one is the American transfer from last year who was finally approved in November but has Permanent Residency Card and wants to play A this year - has to re-apply to transfer into RMMHA as it's a new season

- one who played Atom A2 last year from Surrey Minor

Peewee C - 1 player

Transfer from Coquitlam (in process of being adopted by a local RMMHA family with a player currently in our association)

POTENTIAL RETURNING INJURED PLAYER: (for discussion Monday)

We have a 2nd year Peewee player who received a pretty serious concussion during a hockey game December 2014. Though he is allowed on the ice, the neurologist suggested that he may not be able to return to games until late 2015 or early 2016 depending on his progress in the summer time. Even if he is not allowed to play games initially, he could potentially begin attending practices. The question from his family is whether if he registers NOW being optimistic about his recovery, would we give him a refund in September if he isn't cleared then. I've asked Carolyn to put this as a topic on our agenda for Monday so we can give the family some direction.

PCAHA REGISTER'S MEETING

I'm going to this on Tuesday June 9 in Burnaby

PCAHA AGM

I will be at this on Sunday but definitely need some direction as to how to vote as I'm so new to some of these items that I will need some explanation as to what they mean to understand what exactly we are voting on.

COMMUNICATIONS REPORT

Email

We are switching over to MailChimp (the FREE version). I'm awaiting a new email header from Derek Gullmes and need to start using this ASAP as we are almost out of credits for our Constant Contact account and I need to send a few emails in the coming weeks.

Website

I'm going to do an overhaul soon (probably not until late June / early July).

Apparel Committee

Drafted the RFP and sent to the rest of the committee on Monday morning with recommendation we send it out Monday night at latest and have been out of town all week, but have been away and not sure what the status is on that front so will defer to Derek G to report and bring quotes in for review at our meeting.

I've got suggestions from the "moms" that they would like to see some blankets, knee-length black jacket (if logo is discrete) and some v-neck t-shirts for them to purchase for themselves. They are also asking for a black hoodie option.

I think that's it for now. See a few of you on Sunday and the rest on Monday.

Roxanne

Peter Dubinsky – Risk Management Director:

Risk Manager's Report:

Based on previous incidents and feedback at the AGM this year, it seems necessary to review our disciplinary process and formalize a protocol for the association follow. I propose that we create a disciplinary committee (3 or 5 people) to bring forward recommendations to the board for a clear and transparent process. This would include how to differentiate between disciplinary issues that are dealt with at a team and an association level, how to report disciplinary concerns to the association and how the association deals with disciplinary issues. Guidelines and reports will be created and the process used by the disciplinary committee will be communicated out clearly. The committee would also be responsible for hearing any disciplinary concerns brought to the association.

Angela Schulte – Treasurer:

Hello Everyone,

Attached are the payables from May 31st and June 15th.

The current bank balance as of May 28th is \$132,894.40 at Scotiabank.

Have a great weekend,
Angela

James Eccles – Director of Hockey Development:

- Budgeted, Organized, administered, and instructed spring and summer development sessions

- Communicating and collecting coach applications
- Meet with a variety of level of coaches with VP A Hockey
- Communicating with previous year coaches
- Drafted the 'A' evaluation schedule
- Meet with VP A hockey to discuss coach candidates, and applications
- Communicated to coaches who have sent in applications. Keeping constant communication to keep all organized and well informed and continue coach education
- Web meetings and communication with BC Hockey regarding many things and discussion topics regarding the AGM and coach committee meetings this May & June
- Attended BC Hockey Meetings for Coach Committee, and Male High Performance as BC Hockey representative on Coach Development at the provincial branch

Spring Development Financials to date

Rev	\$11,675
Instruct	-\$4,090
PI ice	-\$4,158
Pitt ice	-
	\$1,987.23
Gross	\$1,440

Blaine Hallman – VP of A Hockey:

Nothing to report..

For the next board meeting include in the agenda "A' coaching appointments.

Carolyn Gosling – VP of Admin:

Hello everyone,

I have been busy these last few weeks with many projects. At tomorrow's meeting, I wish to discuss the following:

- 1) Summer Development Program Proposal from James;
- 2) Replacing jersey bags for all sets of jerseys (as requested by the Equipment Room volunteers);
- 3) BC Hockey AGM - Resolutions and Budget (link to the information is attached - please review prior to our meeting)

<http://www.bchockey.net/Administration/AGM.aspx>

See you all tomorrow night!

Tony Coombs – Director:

Nothing to report.

I have spend many hours on the phone on the process of registering. Today I have just now finished my third one for the day. I don't recall seeing a reference guide on the website but maybe we could create one. If not, I can write one for review by the board and if agreed it can be posted. Albeit, it would not really help for this year but it should help for the following year registration.

Cheers
Tony

Scott Falconer – President:

I met with Carolyn and Kelli to review some thoughts surrounding the overall picture of RMMHA's ice times. Both Kelli and Carolyn have been very helpful in identifying possible opportunities for improvement.

We are scheduled to meet with the City and the arena representatives next week. This meeting was agreed to by Don Cramb (City) and me after a recent phone conversation we had. It is anticipated that at this meeting we will discuss items relating to ice times, ice costs, recent proposed changes to Pitt Meadows arena, displaying our banners/trophies, tournaments, etc. I recently met with Carolyn, Derek G, and Blaine to review some information that will assist us in these discussions. Derek G and I will update everyone with some of the details that have been discussed recently with the arenas/City. I *can* share with you (as will Derek G) that the City and arena(s) have kindly agreed to assist with some of the expense of the new dividers needed for the cross-ice initiative.

Roxanne, Blaine, Derek B, and myself attended the PCAHA AGM this past weekend. We will update everyone at our next Executive meeting.

I will be attending the upcoming BC Hockey AGM next week.

Bruce Vasarhely – Fundraising, Sponsorship and Tournament Director:

I am going to be hung up at work tonight - so will not be able to attend. Below is an update

Administration

Carolyn, I've tried logging into the fundraising e-mail address a couple of time and it won't accept the temp password. Can you please reset the password?

Fundraising

Can someone please forward me the contacts for Kyla and Kala? I've sent e-mails but they have bounced back.

My previous Report had requested recommendations/volunteers for a small "steering committee" - I've had no responses to-date. I'll ask again for the same please. I received a BC Hosting Grant Applications - I'm not sure how applicable it is, but it's worth a shot; however, there are a number of pieces of information that I need for the application (ie: # of voting members of the association - this changes depending on who attend the AGM - what # should I enter. There are others as well which I will forward to Carolyn for comment).

Tournaments

Tournament dates were forwarded to Carolyn for the District "special request ice"

Dates are:

- Round-up - Dec 27- 30
- Hometown Heroes - March 11 - 14

Steering committee - better than fundraising - I have received one response - so I'll ask again here please.

Apparel

Attended a meeting where some items were reviewed, mainly design. There was request for a meeting last week which did not go ahead.