

2024 AGM MINUTES Ridge Meadows Minor Hockey Association

Date: Thursday, March 14th 2024 – 7:00 p.m.

Location: Remote Zoom Registered Call In by Membership

Board Members Present:

Nick Davis

Angela Finch

Tom Willard

Dale Lupul

Amelia Norrie

Devon Sivecki

Nick Della Peruta

Peter Mandoli

Sarah Bunten

Derek Dudulec

Brad Scott

Staff Members Present:

Jordan Emmerson (General Manager), Eryn Tite (Registrar/Admin Coordinator)

Agenda:

- Call to Order
- Approval of AGM Minutes from March 28, 2023
- Roll call of Directors/Officers
- Poll Captain's Report – Number of Members in attendance
- Directors' Reports
- Financial Report and Appointment of Auditor for 2024-25 Season
- Question Period
- Election of Board of Directors (SEE BELOW FOR MORE INFO)
- Adjournment

Land Statement – Nick Davis

AGM called to order at 7:05pm by **Nick D second - Angela - carried**

Scrutineers / Check-in Volunteers - Eryn Tite (Scrutineer), Sarah Bunten (Check-in Volunteer), Trevor Martins (Check-in Volunteer) , Lindsay Walters (Check-in Volunteer)

Poll Captain's Report (Devon Sivecki) – Number of Members in attendance 85 voting members

Motion to approve the minutes from the 2023 AGM - **Nick D - second - Angela - carried**

Introduction of the Board Members, Staff and Key Volunteers - By Nick Davis

Roll call of Directors/Officers

The following people have applied as Contributing Members (defined in the Bylaws) to have the right to vote.

- Marcin Hak
- Brad Leroux

The following people are LifeTime Members (defined in the Bylaws) to have the right to vote.

Leslie Lilley	Terry Martens	Evelyn Pederson
Diane Anderson	Jake Rudolph	Scott Falconer
Peter Crowther	Chris Sirovyak	Derek Gullmes
Jerry Ramak	Spencer Levan	Blaine Hallman
Dave Knight	Debbie Vey-Lourens	Carolyn Gosling
Tim Knight	Joan Gibson	Derek Bedard
Brian Crawford	Gladys Hewson	Laura Shelton
		Ryan Douglas

Motion to approve New Lifetime Members as a slate - **Nick D - second - Angela - carried**

- Val Lindsay
- Lorraine Trulsen
- Bonnie Segarty
- Dave Sivecki
- Adam Schwartz
- Sarah Bettesworth
- Bill Jost

Season Review - By the Board

President's Report – Nick Davis

- RMMHA Continues to grow 5% increase to 1,110 athletes
- Minor Hockey Experience and life long friendships
- Membership growth challenges with shortage of ice

- Additional ice sheet and new facility in our future
- Creative measures to add athletes and work within ice constraints
- Season successes and community contributions
- Forward planning: Development and creative ice management
- PCAHA / FVN: "C" League structure, U7/U9/U11 Pathways
- Thank you and appreciation to our team

We would like to welcome back for 2024-2025 season

- Bookkeeping: Stradey Financial Services
- General Manager: Jordan Emmerson
- Admin & Registrar: Eryn Tite

'H' Program – Devon Sivecki

Devon reviewed the H program -

Overview:

- Continued to focus on skill based development models, volunteer development and making social connections.
- Purchased RMMHA Red Jerseys for all teams / Phasing out Timbits jerseys
- First Season with the new U7 and U9 Major/Minor model
- Increased numbers of athletes this season and we are at maximum athlete capacity in some age groups.
- All divisions reported excellent feedback about the team coaches and managers for all of their extra effort
- Overall successful season on the ice with lots of positive feedback received. The success is the direct result of work from all our volunteers - especially our Division Managers

Season Highlights

- U5 Mini Rustler Program
- WRU Participation
- Awesome volunteer participation from all parents, especially in the WRU
- High levels of on ice and off ice team volunteers
- U7 and U9 Player Pathway Implementation
- Player and Team development - GREAT WORK BY OUR COACHES!
- U6 Management group planned and executed the annual Christmas Jamboree

Season Challenges

- Challenges with our extra player development
- U7/U9 Player Pathway Implementation
- Lack of clarity about RMMHA Volunteer Policy and implementation
- Ice time complaints
- Culture
- Disciplinary issues across RMMHA

Looking Forward

- Re-evaluate and refine our U7 and U9 RMMHA plan
- Order white RMMHA Jerseys
- Create a development model that works within our ice time constraints
- Work with Coach Director and create opportunities for coach development
- Continue to refine communication strategies

'C' Program – Amelia Norrie

Amelia reviewed the C program -

Season Start:

- A huge thank you to the C Division Managers, Caitlin Goodsell, Terry Leeman, Carrie McKittrick and Georgia Hutchison for their continued hard work this season, as well as all Team Managers and Coaches
- Thank you to Natasha Craig for stepping in to handle C equipment
- Athlete evaluations began after Labour Day
- Athletes placed in to teams before Thanksgiving
- Evaluations by C coaches and Ridge Meadows Flames volunteers- thank you!
- Minimal player movement for balancing purposes

Season Challenges:

- GOALIES
 - Shortage in U13
 - Capped registration until we had goalies
 - Thank you to the athletes that tried goalie this season
 - Goalies in U15C and U18C doubled up.
- Evaluations
 - Continue to be a challenge in C hockey
 - Good attendance this year of both C and A-released athletes
 - Ridge Meadows Flames evaluators

Season challenges and ways to move forward (cont.)

- Team formations
 - With very few exceptions, teams were balanced this season
 - More coach involvement
- Ice schedule
 - PCAHA (league) schedule changes, and no scheduling break in January
- Development
 - Increased growth means increased challenges
 - Low turnout for U13, U15 and U18

'C' Program - League Success & Rustler Cup

PCAHA League accomplishments:

- League Banners U11C2, U13C5, U15C2 and U18C3

- Playoffs banners U11C1, U11C6, U13C5 and U15C4
- Rustler Cup Champs: to be determined (U11 champs tonight!)
- Many successes in tournaments across the province this season
- 2006 Graduating Player game - Congratulations to Grads of 2024

'C' Program - Celebrations

- U18C Scholarship Team
 - Carter McLaren
- U21C Scholarship Team - PCAHA Flames coached by our own Tom Blake
 - Travis Turnbull, Griffin Farrell, Logan Lohead, Ty Wallace + Braden Visocchi
- Best wishes to our 15 athletes aging out of U21C
 - Travis Turnbull, Griffin Farrell, Braden Visocchi, Griffin Smith, Collin Surbey, Jeremiah Howe, Matthew Cardas, Logan Lochhead, Jevin Amendt, Ty Wallace, Alex Crockett, Landon Lovig, Phoenix Desilets, Rylan MacDonald + Shayan Saed

'C' Program - Comments

- RMMHA board members and volunteers are not only responsible for making hockey possible for our athletes, but they are also your and your children's peers.
- Please understand that whether you agree or not, board members have your athletes best interests at heart.
- Be part of the solution, not the problem.
- **We are only as good as the behaviour we accept!**
 - **Think twice, exercise the 24 hour rule, or run for a Board position.**

'A' Program- Peter Mandoli

Peter reviewed the A Program

A' program for the 2023-24 season:

- Recruited a great group of paid and parent coaches for all divisions
- Provided all rep parents coaches with a flexible development budget
- Established a process for evaluating late registrations
- Were able to have extremely competitive U11A4 & U13A4 balanced teams along

with U15A4.

- Negotiated an association team discount for Atomic hockey
- Standardized dryland with The Intention Project Gym

U11A Successes

Tournaments:

- U11A1 - Gold (Juan de Fuca)
- U11A1 - Silver (Ridge Meadows)
- U11A2 - Bronze (Richmond)
- U11A2 - Silver (Salmon Arm)
- U11A3 - Gold (Salmon Arm)
- U11A3 - Silver (Abbotsford)
- U11A3 - Bronze (Ridge Meadows)
- U11A4White - Gold (Abbotsford)

League/Playoffs:

- U11A2 - Flight 2 League Banner Winner
- U11A2 - Silver in Playoffs
- U11A4White - Flight 5 Playoff Champs

Special Moments:

- U11A2 - Orange Jersey Project & Salvation Army Christmas Kettles
- U11A4Red - Salvation Army Christmas Kettles, viral team instagram account, attended a Langley Riverman game where their coach was honoured as an alumni.

U13A Successes

Tournaments:

- U13A1 - Bronze (Patt Quinn)
- U13A1 - Silver (Ridge Meadows)
- U13A1 - Participant (Quebec)
- U13A2 - Silver (Penticton)
- U13A2 - Bronze (Ridge Meadows)
- U13A4W - Silver (Clearwater)

League/Playoffs:

- U13A1 - Final Four Finalist
- U13A4R - Presidents' Series Champs
- U13A4W - 2nd Place in League Play

Special Moments:

- U13A1 - 3-6-0 in Quebec Tournament
- U13A2 - Orange Jersey Project, honoured the loss of a team friend.

- U13A4R - raked leaves for neighbors in need, adopted a family at Xmas

U15A/U18A Successes

Tournaments/Playoffs U15A:

- U15A1 - Silver (Ridge Meadows)
- U15A1 - Attended Memorial for fallen RCMP officer.
- U15A3 - Bronze (Oceanside)
- U15A4 - 2nd Place in PCAHA playoffs

Tournaments/Playoffs U18A:

- U18A1 - Final Four/Playoff Champs - Tier 1
- U18A1 - Bronze (Richmond)
- U18A1 - Bronze (Coquitlam)
- U18A1 - Provincials in Nanaimo (Mar 18-21)
- U18A1 - Helped with SA Xmas Dinner, Sold Poppies for Legion
- U18A2 - Silver (Port Alberni)
- U18A3 - Gold (Kelowna)

A' PROGRAM - PCAHA SCHOLARSHIP TOURNEY

Athletes who participated in the U21A PCAHA Scholarship Tournament:

- Campbell Currie
- Ethan Gatehouse
- Jayden Prickette
- Jacob Sirovyak
- Rylan Thompson

Administration – Brad Scott

- Huge thank you to all of our Division Managers and Team Officials.
 - RMMHA held 4 tournaments, a grad game, scholarship games, award ceremony
 - Continue to see too much time spent collecting registration, 'A' player fees, and late fees that were outstanding and we continue to put measures in place to lessen that time commitment. We did the soft launch of the new policy for repeat collections and going into next year we will be enforcing that policy as it is written
 - Policy Committee continues to work on updating our Policy Manual to ensure current terminology is in place and we have clear and accessible policies
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- Ice allocation was very challenging this season!

- 5% increase in the number of athletes from last year to this year means more ice needed which is challenging. Ice continues to be approximately 45% of our Association cost
- Playoff scheduling was a challenge this year with one less week of playoff time scheduled by PCAHA while at the same time increasing the number of playoff games in the shorter time period
- Scheduling of the Winter Round Up tournament in mid February caused some additional playoff scheduling challenges
- Team Managers as a whole very responsive and did a great job of working with Ice Allocator to reschedule conflict games

REGISTRATION 2023-24

Table does not include athletes who withdrew. The numbers above are active athletes.

Updated Mar 6.24															
Division	U5	U6	U7	U8	U9	U11		U13		U15		U18		U21	Totals
BIRTH YEAR	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2013-2014		2011-2012		2009-2010		2006/2007/2008		2003/2004/2005	
						Reg'd	Final	Reg'd	Final	Reg'd	Final	Reg'd	Final		
A Goalies						12	10	6	8	10	8	7	6	2	34
A Skaters						89	74	76	78	67	63	58	47	18	280
Provisional (skaters) reg'd-incl in 'A' skaters										2		0		1	
Provisional (goalies) reg'd-NOT incl in 'A' goalies										0		0		0	
Remaining Prov Spots Held										0		0		0	
Signed Prov										1		3		2	
Total A							84		86		71		53	20	314
C Goalies					1	4	6	9	7	8	10	11	12	2	38
C Skaters						77	89	102	102	77	79	91	101	37	408
Total C							95		109		89		113	39	446
Total Goalies Registered					1	16	16	15	15	18	18	18	18	4	72
GOALIES EXPECTED						16		12		18		15		6	67
Total Skaters Registered	24	48	94	88	105	166	163	178	180	144	142	149	148	55	1047
Total Registrations	24	48	94	88	106		179		195		160		166	59	1119
Registration Last Season	0	63	70	91	85		185		194		166		152	60	1066
Difference	24	-15	24	-3	21		-6		1		-6		14	-1	53

Sponsorship / Engagement - Sabriena & Angela

HIGHLIGHTS

- Sold out golf tournament sponsorship
- Community Participation (Pitt Meadows Parade)
- Emphasis next season should be on creating attractive opportunities for in season sponsorship
- Association Nights - Abbotsford Canucks and Vancouver Giants
- First Opening Day Celebration
- First Athlete and Coach mental health seminar
- Supported Cancer Awareness month with Purple Tape project
- Orange Shirt Project

Golf Tourney



Thank You

- Sandman Hotels - Official Tournament Accommodation
- Lordco (U18 Jackets)
- Subway – Harj Sekhon (Year-end Subway gift certificates sponsor)
- Ridge Meadows Flames Jr. B Hockey Club
- Vancouver Giants
- Bill's Skate Shop

Hockey Operations - Jordan Emmerson

General Operations

- Continued to evaluate and improve the evaluation process used for both 'A' and 'C' (TeamGenius). Still evolving year over year.
- Revamped Phase Three of the tryout process which included a four association Jamboree for all 'A' teams during the tryout process
- Participated and Lead PCAHA and BC Hockey working groups to help improve the game we love. U11A Playoff format, U11-18C Team Formation Model.
- Worked with VP Admin and Treasurer to manage the change in operating

- budget due to changes from BC Hockey and PCAHA.
- We ran 4 tournaments this year successfully!
- Advocated to Maple Ridge City Councillors regarding facilities and the need for new facilities.
- New Scoreboards at Planet Ice!!
- Rustler Golf Classic was another success and great experience for sponsors, golfers, and volunteers.

Development Program

- Provided all coaches a membership to the Coaches Site as a resource
- Collaborated with VP-A to improve the goalie development program - very successful - high demand and always full. Working towards other scheduling options
- Collaborated with VP-H and General Manager to enhance and refine the H development program through increased hands-on involvement in service provider scheduling and a consistent application of the model.
- Ice availability and scheduling limited extra development opportunities
- Working on a new model to provide development value to the association for the 2024-25 season.
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Officiating Program

- Tasks achieved:
 - Coordinated six on-ice training sessions
 - Mentoring/supervising: 50+ hours on-ice, 60 hours off-ice, official advancement internally and in to BC Hockey above minor program
- Goal accomplished: Majority of 35 new officials took part in a 3-person officiated game. Still to do: better development for 3-4th year officials
- Overall officiating group did well, need to continue to develop at the U13 and above officiating levels to assist with referee retention
- REF ABUSE MEANS LESS REFS. Unprecedented level of official abuse from RMMHA players/team officials/fans. Please be RESPECTFUL at all times!
- New Officials Clinic will be held in late Sept/early Oct

Risk Management - Nick Della Peruta

- First Aid Kits - New Process - Returning the kits
- Parent and Athlete contracts - Please read through them
- The Cumulative Disciplinary Process and Member Behavioural files
- The Discipline Committee handled considerably more incidents this season!

Tournaments - Jordan Emmerson

TOURNAMENT REVENUE

- Hosted 4 tournaments: JLM (Thanksgiving Wknd), RDC (Remembrance Day Wknd), HTH (Christmas Break) and WRU (Family Day Wknd)
- JLM - 22 teams, RDC - 43 teams. HTH - 49 teams. WRU - 62 teams
- Profit generated:
 - JLM: \$9,794
 - RDC: \$14,002
 - HTH: \$ 25,746
 - WRU: \$25,869
 - Overall profits: \$75, 411

TOURNAMENT TAKE-AWAYS

- Tournaments were overall a great success
- Tournament Rings!!!!
- RMMHA Teams had a great showing in all of our tourneys
(VP's will speak to those in their slides)
- Established a new tournament volunteer rebate model that went well and can be improved on.

Volunteering - Jordan Emmerson

Improvements this season

- Created volunteer assignment/rebate program for all Rustler teams participating in Rustler Tournaments
- Recognized areas to for more opportunities for more volunteer hours and will implement in 2024/25 season.
- Upgraded SignUpGenius for easier access for members and improved tools for managing volunteer needs.

VOLUNTEER TRACKING

- Volunteer tracking done exclusively through TeamSnap by the team managers & SignUpGenius by account
- 2023/24 Tracking will reconciled in June, once all season opportunities are exhausted

2023 - 2024 VOLUNTEER STATS

- Over 2500 volunteer shifts needed in addition to team needs
- Represents almost 4000 hours of need for things like:

- Scorekeeping
- Timekeeping
- Sign-In/ Admin Help
- Swag Bags/ Game Kits
- Logistics
- Dressing Room Coverage
- Health & Safety
- Jersey/ Equipment Sorting
- Fundraising
- Organizing & Planning

Volunteer Engagement

Ongoing/ Looking Ahead:

- Volunteer needs are from August to May every season
- Streamlining volunteer needs to Team and Association (which will include tournaments)
- Clarification on number of hours & roles required to meet the Volunteer Requirements for Team & Association

Financial Report - Jordan Emmerson talked about

DRAFT 2023-2024 YTD

2023-24 YTD EXPENSES

Program Delivery	\$850,968.00
Equipment	\$200,353.00
Development	\$191,580.00
Administration	\$51,652.00
Staff	\$180,370.00
Tournaments	\$179,337.00
Fundraising	\$45,959.00
Membership Dues	\$105,507.00
CEBA	\$40,000.00
TOTAL	\$1,845,726

2023-24 YTD INCOME

Registration	\$1,348,909.00
Gaming Grant	\$100,000.00
Development	\$93,092.00
Tournaments	\$292,139.00
Fundraising	\$88,780.00
TOTAL	\$1,922,920

PROPOSED 2024-2025 BUDGET

2024-25 DRAFT EXPENSES

Program Delivery	\$900,000.00
Equipment	\$130,000.00
Development	\$250,000.00
Administration	\$55,000.00
Staff	\$185,000.00
Tournaments	\$190,000.00
Fundraising	\$55,000.00
Membership Dues	\$115,000.00
TOTAL	\$1,880,000

2024-25 DRAFT INCOME

Registration	\$1,355,000.00
Gaming Grant	\$100,000.00
Development	\$90,000.00
Tournaments	\$260,000.00
Fundraising	\$85,000.00
TOTAL	\$1,890,000

PROPOSED 2024-2025 RATES

Division	2023-2024 Regular Rates	2024-2025 Early Bird Rates	2024-2025 Regular Rates (start June 15)
Mini-Rustlers	\$450.00	\$405.00	\$450.00
Intro	\$706.00	\$661.00	\$706.00
U7	\$706.00	\$661.00	\$706.00
U9	\$864.00	\$819.00	\$864.00
U11	\$983.00	\$938.00	\$983.00
U13	\$1,017.00	\$972.00	\$1,017.00
U15	\$1,085.00	\$1,040.00	\$1,085.00
U18	\$1,085.00	\$1,040.00	\$1,085.00
U21 A	\$961.00	\$916.00	\$961.00
U21 C	\$609.00	\$564.00	\$609.00

Other Fees	Fee
Training Camp up to and incl July 31	\$250.00
Training Camp as of Aug 1	\$300.00
PCAHA Transfer Fee (Coed)	\$15.00
PCAHA Transfer Fee (Female)	\$75.00
Provisional Hold Fee	\$50.00
Late Payment Fee /mo /athlete	\$25.00

Motion to approve of Auditor Evancic Perrault Robertson (EPR) for 2024-25 - Nick Davis - second - Angela Finch- **passed**

Graduating athletes

- Our graduating athletes played a fun game together on March 6th to close

out their minor hockey career!

- We wish the best of luck to our 2006's on all their future endeavours.

GRADUATING ATHLETES

- Ben Andrews
- Keegan Araki
- Andrew Baldwin
- Davyn Blais
- Marcus Bradford
- Nathaniel Bromilow
- Kyle Causey
- Jaxon Dafoe
- Carter Davies
- Noah Delorme
- Sam Fontaine
- Jialiang Han
- Cash Holtslag
- Griffin Hutchison
- Rocco Jenson
- Jesse Johnson
- Austin Johnstone
- Jesse Knight
- Brady Knopp
- Cole Koerner
- Lucas Lovig
- Aston Ludviksson
- Easton Macleod
- Ryder Marshall
- Nicholas Masaro
- Carter McLaren
- Liam Mcneilly
- Trent Meaden
- Charley Metz
- Owen Phelan
- Coleton Potter
- Jaxon Ramos
- Nolan Reimer
- Andrew Rittich
- Ethan Smail
- Daniel Smith
- Layne Sterling
- Cameron Sweeney
- Markus Toolsie Worsnup
- Ryan Wall
- Maxwell Wingrove
- Brady Yardley

Election of Board of Director - Rules were explained to the members

POSITIONS UP FOR ELECTION FOR 2024/25 SEASON:

President (2-year term)

VP of 'Admin' (2-year term)

VP of 'C' Program (2-year term)

4 Directors at Large (2-year terms)

President (2-year term)

Nick Davis nominated by Brad Scott

Nick accepted and won by acclamation

VP of Admin (2-year term)

Brad Scott nominated by Sarah Buntun

Brad accepted and won by acclamation

VP of C Hockey (2-year term)

Amelia nominated by Brad Scott

Amelia accepted and won by acclamation

Director at Large (2-year term)

Sarah Buntun nominated by Brad Scott

- Accepted nomination

Dale Lupul nominated by Brad Scott

- Accepted nomination

Malin Jordan nominated by Brad Scott

- Accepted nomination

Tania Sargent nominated by Brad Scott

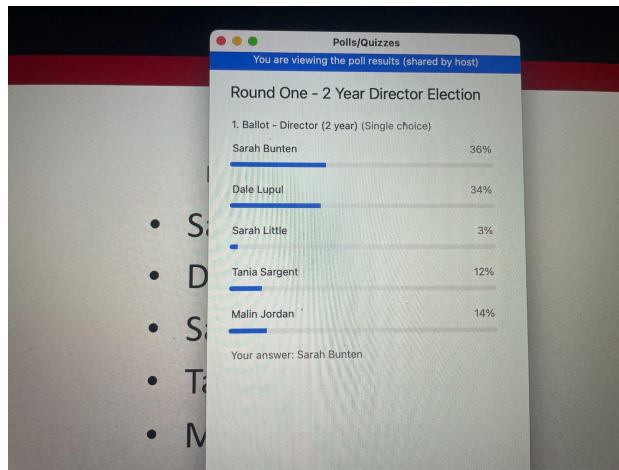
- Accepted nomination

Sarah Little nominated by Brad Scott

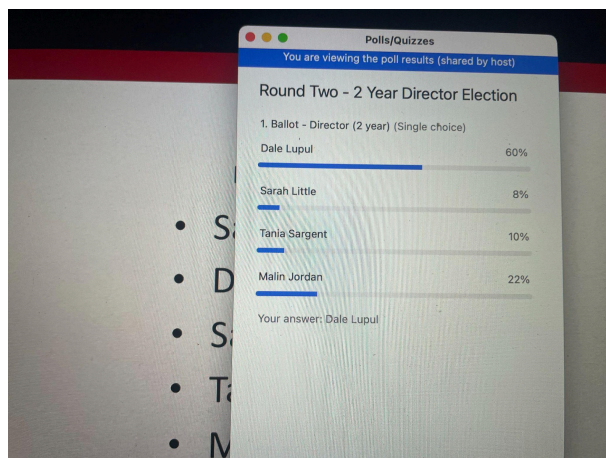
- Accepted nomination

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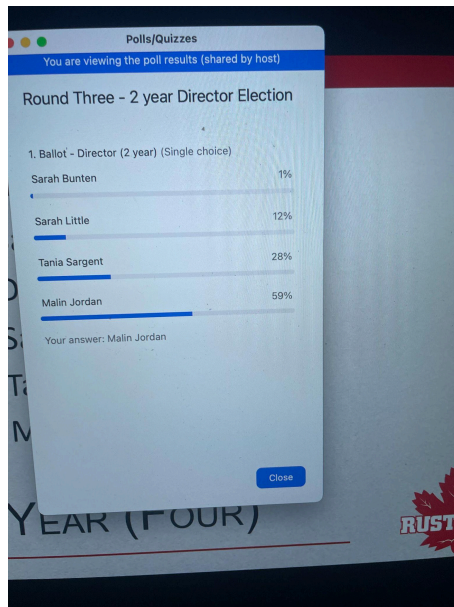
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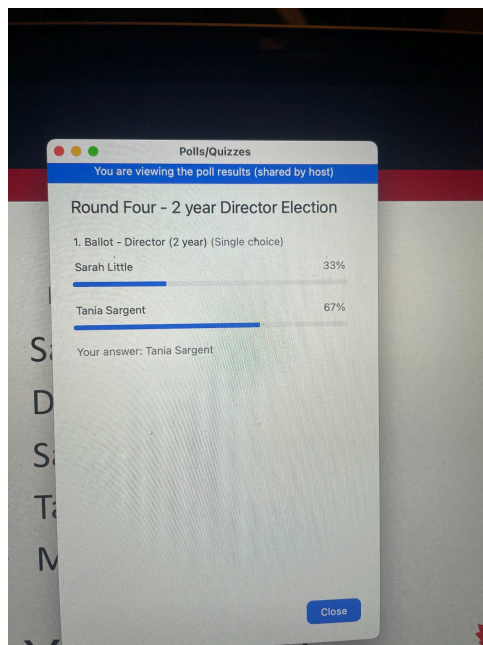
Dale Lupul won second vote



Malin Jordan won third vote



Tania Sargent won fourth vote



RMMHA BOARD AS ELECTED for the 2024/25 SEASON

President - Nick Davis

VP of Admin - Brad Scott

VP of C - Amelia Norrie

Directors (2 yr Term)

Sarah Bunten

Dale Lupul

Malin Jordan

Tania Sargent

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:56pm - Nick Davis - second - Angela Finch - passed