Richmond Munster Minor Hockey Association





Thursday April 20th, 2017 7pm, Ag Hall

Meeting called to order at 7:09pm by Will Mayda

Introduction of MC for the evening Roger Chapman

Introduction of Special Guests

Paul Ross- D4 Chair Hylton Joresson- West Carleton President Del Brown- West Carleton Executive John McEwen- Osgoode Rideau President Kevin Bean- Osgood Rideau Executive

Introduction of the current Board of Directors

Motion to approve the minutes from AGM 2016 Moved by Jay Ferguson, second by Bob Easy All in favor: Unanimous

President's Message

Sponsors Special thank you to all our sponsors.

Tyler Kerr Memorial Bursary Presentations South Carleton recipient: Hayley Appel Sacred Heart recipient: Kevin Johnson and Justin Kerr

Presentation of Awards/Trophies

Award	Summary
Dana & Lila Smith Trophy (Graduating HD)	Most improved player Hockey Development Quinn Beyer
Chuck Blanchard Memorial Trophy (Graduating Novice)	Most sportsmanlike/dedicated player Danica Winger
Tim Steele Enterprises Wee Loads Trophy (Graduating Atom)	Most sportsmanlike/dedicated player Ian Goddard
Tom Cowick Memorial Trophy (Graduating Peewee)	Most sportsmanlike/dedicated player Alex Bendall
Corky Longmire Memorial Trophy Bantam Trophy (Graduating Bantam)	Most sportsmanlike/dedicated player Billy Sample
The Dave Candeline Trophy (Graduating Midget)	Most sportsmanlike/dedicated player Kevin Johnson
The Dave Stacey Memorial Trophy (Goaltender of the Year)	Rewarding excellence, sportsmanship and community spirit Alec Hunt
Kim Long Trophy (Referee of the Year)	Referee, who by example, promotes good sportsmanship in the game Noah Bouchard
HD Coach of the Year	Coach providing dedication to player development at the HD level Matt Covey
Lockie Hendsbee Trophy (Trainer of the Year)	Trainer providing special dedication to player health and safety Sean Belyea
RMMHA Manager of the Year	Manager providing special dedication to parents, players and coaches Kerry Vistuski
Dwaine Barkley Memorial Trophy (Volunteer of the Year)	Individual demonstrating exceptional volunteer contributions at the team or association level John Kean
Dan Bujold Memorial Trophy (Coach of the Year)	Coach providing special dedication to player development and team play Will Frenken
The Dick Bissonnette Memorial Trophy (Long Standing Service)	Awarded for outstanding service and dedication to the RMMHA Laura Schwartz

Lifetime Member Award Presentation

Presented to Bob Easy for all his time, volunteering, fundraising and commitment to the Richmond Munster Minor Hockey Association

Registration Fee

Change to fee structure to reflect true cost of running the Association Canteen to be primarily staffed by student volunteers to obtain their required hours

New Business

Dawna Ferguson: Well done on the sort outs this year, so far the most pleasant and transparent year for sortouts.

Ben St. Jean: Ice times- Midget fees are going up, but had less ice than in previous year, recognize the change from 1.5 hour games to 1 hour games made up part of this, but had maybe 10 practices all year. John Kean- used a system where all teams got the same amount of ice hours, seemed less time on ice but had 10 more games than some of the lower levels. Costs are affected by time keepers and 3 officials for Peewee and up, where Novice and Atom don't have this. Processes will be reviewed over the summer to optimize ice times for everyone

Bob Easy: Are we doing something to get our officials into other arenas? We are aware of the problem. Stittsville chose to give opportunities to their own officials. It has been acknowledge that there is a problem with the assigning system/software. This is not done at the RMMHA level. There are fewer Richmond referees, and a lot of them still play hockey as well, sometimes making scheduling difficult. This is something that will be reviewed over the summer with the District.

Paul Ross: software used for ref scheduling has been an issue. Open availability had to be entered, and this year games could be refused and sent back.

Chris Fulcher: frequent calls last minute for games, or short notice when they were assigned. An expectation should be set up as to how many games referees will be getting for the year. Maybe the assigner should come to these meetings to hear these concerns.

Shalen Bradford: Time clock scheduling

Paul Ross- next year the time keeper scheduling will not be done by the referee assigner. It will need to be by RMMHA independently for our games.

Dawna Ferguson: Increase in "junk" expense from \$4K in 2015-2016 season to \$11K in 2016-2017 season.

The reason for the increase is due to the audit requested at last AGM by the membership.

Matt Covey: IP and a noticeable difference in the number of kids on teams in other associations. RMMHA works on a 20:1 ratio with 40 kids on the ice at a time, while some other associations work with a 10:1 ratio (20 kids on the ice at a time). The amount of ice available per associations and how the programs are operated at each Association. We operated with more kids on ice per session rather than taking ice from other kids.

Shalen Bradford: Most of ice allocations were on weekends, who uses the ice during the week? Confirm that 70% of ice allocations did fall on the weekends, giving back to back RMMHA ice times. Currently we get 5 hours of ice on weekdays, and 16 hours of ice on weekends. We have submitted requests for more weekday ice, but are not guaranteed to get it. We are always looking at increasing and redistributing the hours of ice times.

Equipment question (did not see who posed question): Increase of equipment costs from \$2500 2015-2016 season to \$18500 in 2016-2017 season.

We usually spend \$8-10K on sort out jerseys and socks over the summer for the upcoming season. This year we purchased additional jerseys to make sure each team had 20 sets available. Question about why not provide pinneys to players for use year after year. This becomes a problem when using numbers for sort outs, possible duplicate numbers. Costs were increased a few years ago to include this additional cost.

Shalen Bradford: Minor Midget was merged this year with Midget, what did other Associations say about this.

Hylton Joressen from WCMHL commented at first there were some concerns, as we are one of the few Districts with Minor Midget. There was greater concern for injuries, but there was a drop in the number of penalties, and injuries as well. Hearings were almost non-existent, abuse of official penalties were lower as well

John McEwen from ORMHA commented there are almost no tournaments available to the Minor Midget level. There were some concerns with the age differences in the dressing rooms but having an A team where more of the older players landed helped.

Shalen Bradford: Why did we not have a Bantam A team when it was on the sort out schedule that we would be?

The number of registered players for Bantam did not allow for 3 teams, and the decision was made last minute to have 2 B teams, rather than an A and a B team. More registrants would have changed this outcome. The option of an A team was added to the schedule because 1- we didn't know we wouldn't be having one, and 2- to keep the ice available if we did go with 3 teams.

Maybe next year just indicate Bantam instead of levels. Nothing is 100% certain until final numbers are in and everything can be changed depending on those numbers.

Allocations were within Hockey Canada formula for team placements.

Shalen Bradford: the number of teams vs the ABC level formula, does it apply to all Associations? Formula does apply to all Associations. Concessions from this formula are presented the District 4 table and voted on by all D4 Presidents. Concessions need to be justified when presented. John McEwen: ORMHA expected a bad year at Novice based on previous years, concession made for the team placements. Once teams made it was noticed that some players who were good enough for competitive were not playing competitive, giving those teams an advantage that wasn't there when the concession was granted.

Allison Smith: need to look further back for each level than just the last year. Paul Ross: they check the last 2 years for the levels when considering concessions.

Shalen Bradford: Financial statements from last year (do not have with her to show) to this year show a difference from \$42K to \$6800 for Net Earnings, was this not at \$90K last year? Kirstyn McGauley: the \$90K was never net earnings. The numbers in the Director's Report are part of the Income Statement. The \$90K thought of was actually the bank acct balance. A conscious effort was made this year to reduce the balance through investments in coach developments, audit, new equipment.

Ben St. Jean: is Gregg Kennedy coming back next year? Midget didn't get too much time. Russ Arthurs: first time coaches appreciated the feedback given from Gregg Kennedy. We wanted more time with them and had figured on 7 months of time. Issues re: ice times vs their availability allowed for only 4 months.

Shalen Bradford: Goalies for Midget has been a problem for the last couple of years. Will new registration system help?

Due to competitive tryouts, the decision for how many Midget teams has to be delayed until cuts are made from competitive.

Shalen Bradford: Secretary wasn't on the list of Executive positions up for election. Confirmed the position may have been forgotten one of the lists, but researched postings and it was on the original notification and on the list of nominations both posted to the website.

Shalen Bradford: As Will was not elected President at the meeting, it was stated he was appointed for one year and would be elected in at the next AGM. Why wasn't this position included in the list of positions for elections?

It was explained that this was a missed in error. Shalen commented about how could something like this be overlooked, but Secretary confirmed that in all the preparations for the elections and AGM, the formality of voting in the President from appointment was an oversight and apologized for.

Matt Covey nominated Shalen for any of the open Executive positions which was quickly declined by Shalen.

Appointment of Scrutineers

Appointed Kim Peixoto and Stephanie Sample if necessary

Elections for the Board of Directors

President (one year exception)

-Nomination of Will Mayda by Bob Easy, second by Jay Ferguson Nomination accepted: Acclaimed **No other nominations

Vice President, House

 Nomination of John Kean by John Sunstrum, second by Andy Castellarin Nomination declined
Nomination of Russ Arthurs by Craig Dunn, second by Will Frenken Nomination accepted: Acclaimed
**No other nominations

Vice President Competitive (one year exception)

-Nomination of Andy Castellarin by John Kean, second by John Sunstrum Nomination accepted: Acclaimed **No other nominations

Director of Competitive

-Nomination of John Sunstrum by John Kean, second by John Hale Nomination accepted: Acclaimed **No other nominations

Director of Hockey Operations (one year exception)

-Nomination of Craig Dunn by Will Frenken, second by Allison Smith Nomination accepted: Acclaimed **No other nominations

Assistant Director of Hockey Operations

-Nomination of Dave Simmonds by Tim Johnson, second by Cheryl Gault Nomination accepted: Acclaimed ** No other nominations

Secretary

-Nomination of Erica Leveque by Adele Yamada, second by Russ Arthurs Nomination accepted: Acclaimed **No other nominations

Director or Canteen Operations (one year exception)

-Nomination of Kim Peixoto by Adele Yamada, second by Kirstyn McGauley Nomination accepted: Acclaimed **No other nominations

Director of Fundraising

-Nomination of Kerry Visutski by Adele Yamada, second by Russ Arthurs Nomination accepted: Acclaimed **No other nominations

Director of Equipment

-Nomination of Matt Covey by Lori Sample, second by Cheryl Gault Nomination accepted: Acclaimed **No other nominations

Director of Communications

No nominations: role remains Vacant

Director of Tournaments

-Nomination of Lisa Ralph by Lori Sample, second by Adele Yamada Nomination declined No other nominations: role remains Vacant

Ice Scheduler

No nominations: role remains Vacant

Draw for Free Registration

Jennifer Cook

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn meeting: moved by Dawna Ferguson, second by Adele Yamada All in favor: Unanimous Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.