Comox Valley Minor Hockey Executive Meeting (virtual) Tuesday April 21, 2020

Attendance : Lauri Neufeld (President), Ken McKenzie (RIC), Simon Morgan (Administrator), Ken Dunsire (Asst to 1st Vice) Ken Gillis (1st Vice), Natalie Walker (Treasurer), Melissa Berrigan (Ice Coordinator), Jen Walsh (2nd Vice), Trevor Pritoula (Asst to 2nd Vice), Trina Bay (Director at Large), Darryl Barker (Director at Large)

Regrets : Lena Murdock (Secretary)

- 1. Meeting called to order at 6:46 PM
- 2. Gillis/Barker Adopt the Agenda as presented
- 3. Bay/Barker Acceptance of previous minutes dated March 17, 2020

4. Presidents Report :

* Three candidates submitted applications for Bantam T1 Head coach . Interviews upcoming. Must commit to attending HC1 program July 10-13th at TRU University in Kamloops. Cost of program has increased to \$2,100.00 as provided by BC Hockey. Update to previous motion dated Jan 21, 2020 Motion

Walker/Gillis to approve to a maximum of \$1500.00 to attend HC1 program (amended) to read motion **Walker/Gillis** to approve to a maximum of \$2,100.00 to attend HC1 program. All in favor .

To ask about refund plans should it be cancelled or changed to virtual (reducing cost of travel) SM

- BC Hockey AGM for June 12-13, 2020 still not cancelled. Some discussion underway for virtual meeting
- Attended VIAHA Meeting discussions around High Sport financial and operation issues. Discussion around hiring an Administrator to run program at \$80K per year. Most to all Associations are against this suggestion. Further discussions around BC Hockey Senior Management Roles and salary limitations.
- Powell River request for Amalgamation into CVMHA League needs to be left on hold until more certainty returns to Minor Hockey overall. (DB) Membership could be involved in decision . Cannot commit until season starts at earliest. Concerns over travel times and ice availability.
- High Calibre Hockey proposal to provide Power Skating program at Initiation, Novice and Atom level for new season. Reduce existing Power Skating program to maximum 10 per session. Costs per player estimated at \$40.00 per player X 3 sessions each. Concerns over choice of ice times and success with this age group attending early morning training programs. To leave existing program in place while this new program is under discussion.
- Progress on onboarding new executive . Names discussed around RIC . Asst to 1st Vice Ken D willing to adjust work schedule to support both Executive & Hockey Ops meetings , Treasurer position has interest . More to follow.

TO post on Mail Chimp Executive and Director positions that are coming available . SM

5. 1st Vice Report :

* Season abruptly ended with uniforms and equipment remaining outstanding . There is a need to contact Sports Centre and (safely) organize return of all equipment outstanding through Equipment Manager .

To contact Sports Centre to determine availability and safety protocol for returning equipment . SM

6. 2nd Vice Report :

* Recommending applying for Raffle License for a fail safe procedure. Will need to review ideas around use as cannot make mandatory on membership . Possibly smaller event , lower prize return. More to follow . Income produced was valuable for reducing potential registration increases.

* Concerns raised over next years sponsorship costs after a year with limited to no income due to COVID. May look into reduced or other sponsors supporting each other in there efforts . Possible plans to just leave jersey bars on and see where things go from there.

* Lateral discussion within Executive if required to support Association.

7. Ice Coordinator :

* very busy dealing with both ice surfaces and organizing next seasons ice at this time. Discussed tournament issues and not having interest in teams attending . Suggested combining A & B tournaments into same tournament dates . Concerns from RIC around having enough experienced officials to attend both at same time . Especially at older divisions. High Calibre leave as is for now – just regular power skating . Discussion a second ice slot for Juvenile . Indication of two teams this year due to age outs.

8. Treasurer :

* Rep teams to wrap up and disburse funds shortly. A couple team in recreational did not have tournaments this year due to COVID. May need some early support next year.

9. Referee in Chief :

Officials notified of upcoming camps however up in the air if they will proceed . Couple names discussed for NEW RIC and advised willing to support . This is an appointed position.

10. Directors at Large :

Still researching First Shift Program (understand 6 other associations have in place) TB to continue to follow-up and provide at later date.

11. Administrator :

AGM date remains May 13 6:30 PM – virtual presentation. Notification sent out by Mail Chimp , two notifications in local paper (as required) . BC Hockey has agreed to allow use of their Gotomeeting program and set up start . Have been on this platform with 97 attendees in past. Last year had 53 in attendance at AGM. Looking into SimplyVoting for Elections . Not many options (2-3) and usually run

about \$2000.00 for 50 or less candidates. The program will need to run a little different as we will not know candidates in advance of Elections.

Bay/Barker – Approval to spend \$200.00 + applicable taxes to use SimplyVoting Program . All in favor.

Will involve Executive in Simply Voting tests to determine if we can use.

Require Executive and Board member reports for AGM . Accountants MNP have all information required to prepare year-end financials as at Mar 31 (new year end – previously May 31) . Still require names for awards to be acknowledged at AGM .

Gillis / Barker - Meeting Adjorned 8:50 PM

Next Meeting May 20, 2020 6:30 PM