Comox Valley Minor Hockey

Executive Meeting (virtual)

Tuesday November 17, 2020

Attendance: Lauri Neufeld (President), Jordan Kamprath (1st Vice), Luisa Perry (Asst to 2nd Vice), Ken Dunsire (Asst to 1st Vice), Trevor Pritoula (2nd Vice), Terra Brown (Treasurer), Trina Bay (Secretary), Ken Gillis (Director at Large), Darryl Barker (Director at Large), Melissa Berrigan (Ice Coordinator), James Harvie (Coach Coordinator, Simon Morgan (Administrator)

Regrets: Steve Brown (RIC)

- 1. Meeting called to order at **6:33** PM
- 2. **Darryl/ Jordan** Adopt the Agenda as presented
- 3 .Darryl/ Jordan Acceptance of previous minutes dated Oct 20/20

Votes online since last meeting

- Nov 5/20 - Trina/Ken G - Motion to proceed with the VIAHA approved process for allowing live streaming of CVMHA games (discussion and request from CVMHA lawyer for opinion on waivers prepared by VIAHA) Voting delayed until 1:45 Monday

All in favour

- 4. Presidents Report : Lauri
 - VIAHA/BC Hockey negotiated a new contract with HiSport for the electronic games sheets for the 2020-2021 season. Approximately \$11,000 \$15,000. (They couldn't remember off the top of their head)
 - BC Hockey has canceled all Championships for this season.
 - October 31, 2020 was the deadline for age exemptions and Respect in Sport.
 - VIAHA is still looking for a Mid Island VP as well as a Female Hockey VP.

- No handshakes this season. Teams are to line up on their blue line and raise their sticks to the air in support of the other team.
- Atom Pathway is still to be followed even with the current Covid restrictions.
- VIAHA Championships canceled but team acknowledgements will still happen at the end of the season.
- Female U18 will run out of Nanaimo. We will need to provide ice for games as we have players on the team.
- Exhibition games will count for minimum suspension guidelines this year.
- Just a reminder that the minimum number of players required for a game is 6 (5/1). Since there are no APs due to the 2 week pause that they will be required to do prior and post, teams may have games with minimal players.

5. 1st Vice Report : Jordan

- Last weeks OPS meeting went smoothly. Competition is going well in rec teams. U7 is having a great development this year.
- Tablet discussion We have 6 tablets. They need to be tracked down.
- Jordan will be attending VIAHA meeting tomorrow in Lauri's place. Discussion on what might be on the table as far as games, travel and covid plans. Jordan said he would let us know what the outcome is.

6. 2nd Vice Report : Trevor

- Photo Sessions- completed with exception of Midget rec as teams were still being created. They have a session scheduled for Thursday, November 19 from 6-8pm. Special thanks to Luisa Perry for organizing and volunteering at every session to ensure it went smoothly.
- Raffle- all tickets have been distributed and starting to get undistributed books back to redistribute to other groups/ teams that did not receive on the first go.
- Sponsor Update- Teams are mostly organized with sponsors. Still collecting funds to deposit into CVMHA account. We have a few new sponsors to welcome:
 - 1. docbraces (formerly Creative Orthodontics)- Silver sponsor
 - 2. Precision Tree Services Ltd- Silver sponsor
 - 3. Spin Mortgages- Silver Sponsor
 - 4. ANW Trucking Ltd- Platinum Sponsor

Will need to update the web page with these businesses and omit a couple others that did not return (Will send info to Randi when available) and will be starting sponsor spotlights on social media in the coming weeks.

Title sponsor- Comox Valley Dodge/ Comox Valley Toyota... work in progress, I have been discussing this opportunity with Carson Grant (GM at CV Dodge) in length and trying to find a sponsorship amount that warrants the title sponsor level and fits their budget.

- Christmas Hamper- Agreed to proceed as in past seasons

7. Covid Committee: Ken

- With cases getting higher on the Island we need to be very careful and tolerant.
- Ken would like to tweak occupancy limit wording (new wording to go on website). We need a bit more flexibility for younger groups, for situations with injuries, video person ect.

8. Treasurer : Terra

- Lots of people getting safety certified Terra writing lots of cheques for reimbursement of the course fees.
- Terra asked if all the DM's are getting reimbursed for their youngest player fees? Lauri confirmed. Terra will get to work on reimbursing according to that plan. Only one has been to date.

9. Directors at Large:

Ken - Wondering about fees for AP's. Since an AP for Rep can't go back and forth (covid cohorts), they can only practice with Rep and they are not getting the "extra" ice they usually do. Can we wave the fee? A discussion ensued. Jordan decided that we should not charge the fee for the balance of 2020 and revisit in early 2021.

10. Coach Coordinator - James

- Female program is running at 7:30 Tuesday. Very popular. 5 CR players have joined. 5 older female players are helping.
- Coaches meetings will be happening over the next few weeks.
- James has been working on plans for teams if games are halted. Great opportunity to develop skills especially among the younger players.

11. Ice Coordinator : Melissa

- Has had requests from rec teams for extra ice. She wanted to confirm that fees paid cover only the ice that is already provided. If teams want more they will need to pay. Jordan confirmed.
- A rep team also looking for ice and has gone around Melissa to the RD. There is rep ice to be picked up on weekends. Again, any other ice they can get they would need to pay for.

12. RIC - Steve Brown - Not in attendance

Jordan spoke for him

- Recently cancelled a rep home game with a Nanaimo team due to safety concerns with Nanaimo covid numbers.
- Reminder that there is to be no spitting.

13. Administrator : Simon

- Thanked the board for his wage increase.
- There is a waiting list for most age groups.
- He is working on rosters and qualifications for volunteers.
- Simon would like to see us use Teamsnap exclusively. It would make things much easier for him but he would like to investigate the negative sides further cost ect. 80% of parents are now on teamsnap.

Next Meeting Dec 15, 2020 6:30 PM

Next OPS meeting - Dec 8, 2020 6:30pm

COVID19 CVMHA

Exposure Control Plan

STAGE 3 Operations

BC Hockey has just recently informed Minor Hockey Associations that additional guidance has been provided through ViaSport that we are now entering a "Progressively Loosen" Phase which allows us to move into Stage 3 of Hockey Operations. In this phase there is to be careful increase to the number of contacts and contact intensity. Risk management is key and this addendum is in addition to all guidance pertaining to personal hygiene, cleaning protocols, symptom screening and all other risk mitigation practices outlined in the main Covid19 Exposure Plan as well as the CVRD Facility Plan.

The details of stage 3 can be found beginning on page 21 of the link provided.

https://www.viasport.ca/sites/default/files/Phase3ReturntoSportGuidelineswebV2.pdf

The following details enhance our hockey experience and will be the way CVMHA will operate moving forward as 08 Oct 2020. It is important to note guidance is subject to change at any time based on Community Transmission Rates and advice from Provincial and or Local Public Health Officials and include:

- 1. Ideally, dressing Room occupancy should remain the same as described in the various Sports Facility guidelines. In circumstances where this in not possible, a mask must be worn while in the room getting changed and unchanged from hockey gear.
- 2. Close contact inside the 2m physical distancing while on the ice should be kept to a minimum but can be progressively increased. The number of close contacts and duration should be limited. Coaching and on ice assistants always need to maintain their physical distancing
- 3. When not on the playing surface, all 2m physical distancing rules apply (dressing rooms, common areas, team meetings etc) when not able to, a physical barrier is needed, or mask must be worn

Competition

These activities fall under the following categories:

1. **Club Play**: Intra Squad games or Recreational League

- 2. **Regional Competition**: Games played between teams in a region i.e., VIAHA
- 3. **Provincial Competition**: Games sanctioned by Province. Games that draw teams from throughout the Province
- 4. **Inter-Provincial Competition**: Games between Teams outside the Province

It is anticipated for now that only Club Play and Regional Play will be allowed until further guidance is provided by ViaSport, VIAHA, BC Hockey and Hockey Canada.

Sport Cohorts

Cohorts are players that are placed in a group or Team that remain together and can conduct close contact activities while on the playing surface which includes: on ice, benches, and penalty boxes

In this Phase:

- 1. Cohorts are used when maintaining physical distancing is not possible.
- 2. Each cohort can be comprised of multiple teams to form a mini league. With the use of Cohorts, game play can resume between teams within a cohort. A cohort should not be more than 4 teams.
- 3. Physical contact within the same team training environment may be progressively introduced while on the playing surface. Once off the area of play, all physical distancing parameters apply.
- 4. If coaches can maintain physical distancing, they can be counted outside the cohort number. Coaches always need to wear a mask while on the bench. In addition, other support staff (safety, 2 Deep etc) that can not self distance must use a mask when around the Team.

- 5. Ideally, Cohorts should remain together for extended periods of time. If looking to change cohorts, a 2-week waiting period must be implemented. However, if a participant is moving within their existing cohort, this is permitted without a waiting period. For example: You are basically looking at a cohort of 4 teams as a large pool of participants that can participate with each other only. They are simply prohibited from participating in Phase 3 activity with anyone outside their cohort. So, if the cohort is made up of Team A, B, C and D...a member of team A could play with or against any of teams B, C and D, without a 14-day break. It is not until a participant wishes to move to a new cohort (Team F, G H and so on) that the 14-day break would be required because they are engaging with entirely new cohort group.
- 6. During the 2-week waiting period, a participant can take part in Stage 2 activities.
- 7. Parents and spectators are not included in the cohort. They need to maintain their physical distancing and are subject to maximum capacity of the facility where play is occurring. To keep people safe and to ensure that any virus linked to sport can be contact traced, it required that all Teams must collect contact information for all attendees/players involved in training sessions, practices, and competitions and keep the information for minimum of 30 days.
- 8. The size of the participant group for each booking (practice or game) cannot exceed 50 individuals including participants, coaches, assistants, referees, and spectators. This adheres to the PHO Order regarding Gatherings and Events.
- 9. During game days, full teams can occupy a single dressing room, but masks must be worn. Masks can be removed to put their helmets on and should immediately leave the room for the playing surface. Once back in the dressing room during intermission and at the end of the game, once helmets are removed, masks are worn again until outside the rink.
- 10. BC Hockey has generated a FAQ and can be found here at the following link:

https://www.bchockey.net/Files/RTH%20FAQ%2008-31-20%20(v3).pdf