

Comox Valley Minor Hockey

Executive Meeting (virtual)

Tuesday January 19, 2021

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

Regrets : Lauri Neufeld (President), Terra Brown (Treasurer), , Ken Dunsire (Asst to 1st Vice),

1. Meeting called to order at **6:35** PM
2. **Darryl/Trina** – Adopt the Agenda as presented
3. **Trevor/Darryl** – Acceptance of previous minutes dated Dec 15/20
4. Presidents Report : Lauri (Jordan sub'd in)

Lauri's written report in italics - notes from special meeting last week

Discussed return to play: there is a BC Hockey meeting with VIAHA later this week however, nothing will likely change prior to February 5th.

Coaches need to focus practice time on having fun to keep kids engaged. Coaches can run drills to keep developing skills, however the main goal this season is to have fun while learning as there will likely be no more games.

Private Camps: if a child has been going out of town for ice times such as spring tryouts or "outlaw" teams, they are required to sit out 2 weeks prior to returning to their home association team. If they do not sit out, VIAHA will make the whole team sit out 2 weeks. Players are only permitted to attend hockey activities that are run through our association. (This includes High Caliber and Power Skating). This is under the travel ban restrictions from BC Hockey/ViaSport.

VIAHA has sent an email to BC Hockey about officials who have paid for recertification but will not be able to recoup expenses. They are asking that officials be credited towards next season but no guarantees.

VIAHA is asking that registrars ask BC Hockey who from the association (players, and team officials) have been charged for membership. VIAHA was doing some cross references on some coaches and found that associations were being double billed for some.

Associations need to submit to VIAHA when the ice will be taken out of the arenas by the end of the week. VIAHA is looking at possible schedule ideas if we are able to have games post Feb 5th.

Motion put forward to reimburse or credit families down to a cost of \$200 for rep fees for 20/21 year. **Jordan/Darryl**

Discussion

- Ken asked about if refund would apply even if some games are played after Feb 5th. Jordan said yes, that was the intention.
- Darryl asked how the “accounts look”. Simon said he hasn’t seen any current financial information but believes that most would take a credit similar to power skating.. A question was also asked about the reduction in ice time for rep - Jordan confirmed that hasn’t happened.
- Trina asked if the CEWS/TSW covid subsidies have been applied for (as that would help our accounts). Terra is not in attendance and Simon is not aware. Trina will touch base with Terra on this item as there’s a Jan 31 deadline.
- -Simon asked how the Executive would like to roll it out - discussed suggesting credit to families as a preferable option.

Vote - all in favour

Motion put forward - to reimburse all referees \$100 that have recertification or registered for the inperson clinic (upon return next season). **Jordan/Trevor**

Discussion

- There are 27 refs (per Sandra) that have paid to recertify - so max credit would be under \$3,000. There would also be another 9-15 that took a course for approx \$97 each.

Vote - all in favour

5. 1st Vice Report : Jordan

James and Jordan had a great meeting with initiation coaches. Working their way through all the groups.

Hockey ops meeting took 15 min. No changes really so not much to talk about.

Reiterated the out of town rules that Lauri was told at the VIAHA. James explained the “primary program” rules which fall under the provincial health order.

Jordan will word an email for general distribution about travel bans.

Motion put forward - To sign Jordan Butcher up for the HP1 course as the course did not run this year.

Jordan/ Ken G

Votes - all in favour.

6. 2nd Vice Report : Trevor / Louisa

Trevor's written report in italics

Raffle debriefing-

- Total sales from Raffle= \$27,970

- Total 500 Booklets distributed (Full Books sold 249, Partial books sold 76, Full books returned 140 Void Books- Lost/ Damaged 35)

- Participation 65%

Winners:

1st K. O'neil (\$4195.5)

2nd T. Malyon (\$2797)

3rd P. Taylor (\$1398.50)

Sponsor update- name bars, social media spotlight, title sponsor, photo distribution

- finalizing sponsor bars for those that have paid for 2020/21 sponsorship

- Invoiced all others and awaiting responses. Not pushing topic as Covid year

- Title sponsor position

Re-branding initiative/ committee start up

- Where are we at with the developing committee/ organizing this initiative?

- I have been approached by an CVMHA parent/ coach who is very interested in becoming part of the re-branding team. He has some experience with this type of project through work and keen to help.

Discussion around who would be on the board - how many board members, how many from membership. No decision reached.

Debrief on Christmas hampers (Luisa)

Christmas Hampers. 35 family hampers done. Average more than a tote per family which is better than average. Teams were happy to deal with the covid friendly organizing process. Overall it went really well. For next year - decide early (mid-Nov) if the process will happen and try to get families earlier. The timeline was tight this year. The U9 could just each have a hamper - the splitting to make it less for the small teams was confusing for the teams.

7. Covid Committee: Ken

Nothing has changed. Hoping for changes in early February to return to stage 3 and play a bit. Ken reviewed the cases in the province and the Island.

Ken questioned if with the Feb 5th announcement our OPS and/or executive should have an emergency meeting. Jordan said likely BC Hockey and VIAHA won't react for a few days after.

We should be ready to react as soon as they do but OPS meeting on the 9th is likely soon enough.

8. Treasurer : Terra (not present - no report)

9. Directors at Large :

Darryl - wanted to thank Trevor and Louisa for all the work on hampers/raffle.

Ken - wanted to discuss refund but it was already discussed and a motion passed.

10. Coach Coordinator - James

Manager/coaches meeting - was held online with the initiation group. Looking to build a foundation for the future and to get feedback from coaches and managers. This week is U9 and U11 groups.

James and Cam are working on a "Welcome to Coaching" package. It will be different for each age group,

Goal for the year was to make a cohesive group and to coach the coaches more. That has worked great with the younger groups.

Lots of questions about what is happening on the ice. Coaches have been instructed on rules and ideas on how to keep kids spaced. Some are using volunteers to help with this on the ice and those individuals are to have the applicable credentials to be on the ice (not necessarily coaching).

Bantam coach for next year - Jordan was ratified to go to HP1 but the course was put on hold. Jordan was to do it and he wants to come back next year. What is the policy - do we have to re-vote on him doing the course? Discussion short - the intention of the process last year was to have someone in the position for more than a year (Added a motion for the course and vote under Jordan). Simon will look at the wording re Bantam coach position and if we need to vote to reappoint him.

11. Ice Coordinator - Melissa

She has communicated with VIAHA about when ice is taken out in our rinks and what ice is available. Mar 14/15 last hockey sessions. Mar 31 ice removed SC2.

Schedules are done and sent out to everyone up until mid-March.

Some teams have been turning back ice within the 14 day window. We have to pay for that ice and usually teams are charged for that ice. Melissa wondered if we are planning to charge teams as in the past. Discussion around this - James will send an email to rep managers around how ice should be cancelled (in hopes we can reallocate it to rec teams). Melissa will get James info on what teams have been returning ice. Teams that return ice within 14 days will be charged like other years.

Looking to next season - the only change for the fall will be to goalie development start up. The rest should remain the same.

12. RIC - Steve Brown - nothing to report

13. Administrator : Simon

Registers report - 619 players reg - only 11 withdrawals. 3 players transferring in. 2-3 additional females registered in female programs not on regular association team.

AGM - need to start thinking about another virtual AGM meeting (even though Crown Isle is booked). Exec should be hearing from Simon or Jordan about intention to stand again for next year.

Meeting Adjourned **8:13 PM**

Next Meeting Feb 16, 2021 6:30 PM

Next OPS meeting - Feb 9, 2021 6:30pm

