

Comox Valley Minor Hockey Association

January 18, 2022 Executive Minutes

Attendance: Lauri Neufeld (President), Allan Gornall (1st Vice), Luisa Perry (2nd Vice), Tish Kristensen (Asst to 2nd Vice), Terra Brown (Treasurer), Trevor Pritoula (Director at Large), Ken Gillis (Director at Large), Beth Matthews (Secretary), Melissa Berrigan (Ice Coordinator), Simon Morgan (Registrar), Cam Knox (Coach Coordinator), Cori Lally (Rep Director)

Regrets: Dallas MacDonald (Asst to 1st Vice), Matt Williams (RIC)

Call To Order: 6:38PM

Additions to Agenda:

- Rebranding update.
- Junior releases
- Goalies

Adoption of Agenda: Luisa Perry/Tish Kristensen

All in favor

Approval of November 16th Minutes: Luisa Perry/Tish Kristensen

All in favor

Outstanding Items: None

Approved Email Motions between meeting dates: None

President:

Attended January 16 VIAHA meeting. If 20% of players are out due to a positive COVID test or isolation, games are to be cancelled to prevent further transmission. No fines for games cancelled due to COVID. Any game cancellations due to COVID have to be completed by the President. Rep teams need to be aware that there is no guarantee the game(s) will be rescheduled. Not mandatory for players to be vaccinated, but is encouraged. Have to ensure that all coaches are vaccinated.

Every player has to have one parent to sign off on respect in sport. There has been a glitch in the system and VIAHA cannot access who has the respect in sport completed. It is up to the association to ensure that this has been completed.

BC Hockey Vancouver Island Coach Coordinator Brian Sugiyama said that there were over 30 coaches who took coaching Level 2. March 1 is the deadline to complete the practical piece of Level 2, or the coach will need to retake the course again next year.

Reminder regarding Junior B releases – 16 year olds can be released at any time in the season and have to be released to their home association. Age 17 and up - Jr B holds the rights to those players and don't have to release them.

If a team needs a lateral goalie they must go through their AP's first. If the team needs a lateral goalie they must give a list to the President with information requested and then the request can be made to VIAHA.

The association will be fined \$50 for every uneligible bench staff on rosters.

Female development is having a great season. Nanaimo looking into hosting a tournament at the end of August.

One more referee clinic will be held on January 29.

Campbell River hosting the U18 Tier 2 in March. Campbell River will be responsible for operating the tournament if they do not have ice and the tournament is held in Courtenay.

Island League meeting with BC hockey and are asking BC hockey to change the release date for Junior B players as there is not enough time to meet other deadlines. Coaches usually release players and team management informs the registrar. Not likely anything will change.

Still waiting for ice schedules for island league play off games – they will start after January 30.

U18 players already contacting VIAHA about scholarship options. If graduating players are interested in applying they can get the link off the VIAHA website, as well as it has been sent out by Simon.

VIAHA AGM date will be set within the next two weeks.

VIAHA has put together a Committee to set referee rates for house and rep for the 2022/23 season.

Five associations on the island pay their RIC to do mentorship. The Mentorship fee suggestion on the fee schedule sent out by Chris Canuel (VI RIC) was designed for RIC's that do not get paid and want senior refs to come out to mentor newer refs.

1st Vice:

Difficult to know how much to plan for tournaments without knowing if they will happen.

First Shift is a month away - hopefully will get some new players registered for next year.

Deadline will be set for registration for 22/23.

Assistant to 1st Vice: Regrets

2nd Vice:

Minor hockey day is coming up the weekend prior to family day. \$2000 budget was divided between all teams to celebrate Minor hockey day. Team managers will get to decide how their team celebrates the day.

Directors at Large:

Rebranding: The committee has shortlisted the nominations to two names. Top five were voted on by the committee were: 1) Flyers, 2) Spitfires, 3) Lightening, 4) Jets and 5) Wildcats. A survey will be sent out to the members within the week to vote on the two names that were decided on: 1) Flyers and 2) Lightening. There will be one vote per family. The winner will be put in front of a graphic designer to produce an image. Kruger is giving money to hockey associations – submitted an application. Will try to access other monies through provincial programs. Title sponsor will also be sought and are following up on all leads. Meeting scheduled on February 15, 2022 with CVRD recreation committee to attempt to access some funds.

COVID Committee:

20% of your team out with COVID will shut down the team.

Current order has been extended.

Treasurer:

Sent out income statement.

Budget committee can meet to review.

Motion: Allan/Trevor - to use \$15000 saved from last year and \$15000 of the raffle money towards the rebranding. All in favor

Motion: Terra/Tish - to increase the pay for the referee assigner from \$350 to \$500 a month retroactive to August 2021. All in favor

Ice Allocator:

Glacier Gardens does not have a way to separate bills into separate invoices. At CVRD the contracts can be separated.

REP Coordinator:

Matt Henwood will come out for goalie development if requested. Cam can help set this up.

RIC: Regrets

Registrar:

First Shift February 10. There are 30 kids booked with a waitlist. Staggering in groups of ten. Anticipate the delivery of equipment about two days in advance. Coaches – will discuss with Cam what coaches will be coming out. Incentive of 50% off of registration will be given to participants to register for the 2022/23 season.

Adjourn: 8:58PM

Next Meeting: Tuesday February 15 @ 6:30 (SC1 Aquarium)

