

Comox Valley Minor Hockey Association

October 17, 2023 Executive Minutes

Attendance: Ken Dunsire (President), Allan Gornall (1st Vice), Tish Kristensen (Asst to 2nd Vice/Rep Director), Andrew Robb (Director at Large), Trevor Pritoula (Director at Large), Terra Brown (Treasurer), Melissa Berrigan (Ice Coordinator), Cam Knox (Coach Coordinator), Matt Williams (RIC)

Regrets: Dallas MacDonald (Asst to 1st Vice), Beth Matthews (Secretary), Simon Morgan (Registrar)

Call To Order: 6:34PM

Additions to Agenda: Competitive team A/P Fees/ Policies review
Referee Payment Structure
Restrictions to Team Staffing

A. Adoption of Agenda: Trevor Pritoula /Tish Kristensen **All in favor**
Approval of September 19 Minutes: Trevor Pritoula /Tish Kristensen **All in favor**

Outstanding Items: None

B. President:

Hockey Canada and BC Hockey Dressing room update

- Questions regarding how to implement/ enforce this new policy at the MHA level
- Also applies to officials in their dressing room (RIC aware of the pending policy)
- Facility/ CVRD implications with current set up (limited private stalls in dressing rooms/ inadequate spaces for implementing policy)

Introduction of our new Referee in Charge Jacob Hill

- Welcome to new RIC, Jacob Hill. Comes to CVMHA with a wealth of RIC and referee experience and knowledge. Past RIC with other MHA's, past refereeing career in WHL.

Communication with VIAHA/recent suspensions/clinics

- President would like a unified approach to these issues to ensure completeness, consistency in dealing with suspensions
- Communication within and to VIAHA to follow format to ensure accuracy of information; assist with decision (communication stream: team manager, HC/ AC- Rep Coordinator- President- VIAHA)

Sponsorship Requests (general) Holiday Inn

- Exploring options for more sponsorship dollars in lieu of decreased gaming grant amount (2023/4 100K vs 2022/3 125K awarded to CVMHA for gaming grant.

Opportunities to add new Team Members to the Board/Executive

Need to fill 2nd Vice position ASAP. To approach interested and potential parties to see who may be interested in taking role within the executive.

Report and summary of the VIAHA MHA Presidents meeting

- No report at this time, Meeting to be held on Saturday, October 21, 2023.

Level 1 Referee Clinic Incident

- Instructor of the referee clinic made president aware of attendees misbehaving in the venue

- Parents questioning treatment of child by the instructor

- RIC, Jacob Hill to talk to Clinic instructor and the young official group to rectify.

C. Registrar:

Team Snap Registration Incomes to date \$325,000.00

Team Snap Registration Funds deposited to date \$253,500.00

Team Snap Refunds processed to date \$8,670.00

Team Snap Rejected payments processed vs recover payments ongoing

Community Grant Income Deposited \$100,000.00 vs Applied amount of \$125,000.00

(Reason provided by Gaming for reduction was excessive demand from user groups for proceeds).

Follow up to Collect Registration Fees from selected T1 Players from outside association

Registrations applications continue however slowing. Totals now reached 611. U9

Development fully booked at 25 players and coached by Dallas McDonald.

Female Development Dual Roles being processed.

International Student requested being processed.

U18 T1 Tournament concluded and was well organized. All gaming documentation required provided in a timely manner and filed under Gaming Event.

Revenue Report Summary

Building Rosters and confirming qualifications of all coaches and bench staff.

D. Ice Allocator:

- Observation that need better use of ice with new programs

- Tiering games are ongoing problem as VIAHA is week-by-week and slow to inform games. Ken to discuss this at the upcoming VIAHA Presidents meeting.

- Oct 27, 2023 is Deadline for Ice Schedule for next season (2024/2025)

- Potential cancellation of U11A tournament due to low team registrants/ competition with other tournaments on Remembrance long weekend. Melissa to see what options exist for giving ice back/ re-allocation.

E. Coach coordinator:

- Goalie coaching development course/ qualification by Joey Ali (BC Hockey) to be organized. Melissa to look into ice times to run the course.

- Recent incident on U9 ice time (skate laceration to leg, requiring stitches). Parent of injured player questioning appropriateness of drill and concern for participant safety. Players playing ice soccer, player injured by skate in fall/ scrum. Cam noted this is a Hockey Canada accepted drill for this age group and no history of this type of injury in the past. Cam has put a temporary pause on this drill to review.

F. REP Director:

- Need for a Tournament Coordinator on Board to assist in applying for travel tournaments and running home tournaments. Simon to post/ email a volunteer posting finding a Tournament Coordinator
- Recommendation for soliciting a Social Media Personnel to handle all CVMHA social media avenues (Facebook, Instagram)

G. RIC:

- to attract more officials, RIC is Proposing change in referee remuneration procedure to cash, payable on day of game they officiate. Jacob to provide information on how this is done elsewhere. Executive to review and consult with other MHA's, CVMHA managers on logistics of this to determine if feasible.

H. 1st Vice:

- U15 Bears- seeking permission/ gaming licence to run a NHL pool as a fundraising event. Tish to give Simon info in order to get appropriate licence and facilitate this fundraiser ASAP.
- Apparel Orders- Happy's SFS is willing to stock CVMHA branded products at the store in order to avoid delay in obtaining. James is requesting a 4 yrs, no change in logo/ graphics. Al to request Happy's SFS to draft the licensing agreement for review.
- A/P fee structure- identifies the need to review affiliate player policy/ fees to players. Current policy is \$50 for 1st 5 ice sessions

Motion: for A/P player (limit of 5/ team), a charge of \$150/player for 5 ice times. > 5 ice times is at the discretion of the team staff (HC, Manager)

Motion passed; 4 in favor, 1 obtained

- Restrictions to team staffing- Complaint from U15 parent that a manager and A/C are on same team, questioning CVMHA policy, which states spousal/ same player parent as H/C and manager are not permitted. Ken Dunsire to respond to complaintive

Assistant to 1st Vice: Regrets

I. 2nd Vice: Vacant**Assistant to 2nd Vice:**

- Raffle, Remembrance Day planning is in progress.

J. Treasurer:

- Bears amount outstanding- Bears fees from 2022/23 still unpaid, seeking payment.
- Budget meeting scheduled for Thursday, October 19 @ 6:30pm in CVMHA office
- Treasurer requires additional signers on CVMHA account. To add Ken Dunsire and Trevor Pritoula as signers on account. Ken and Trevor to visit Elaine Teubert- Simpson at Coastal Community to set this up.

K. Directors at Large: Trevor:**Andrew Robb**

Mouth guards- new research suggesting use of mouth guards in hockey to reduce concussion injuries. CVMHA to review literature and discuss further regarding making this an association policy. Start with PSA to coaches, safety's, managers and parents to educate and implement if they deem appropriate.

Mandatory Team Clothing-

Trevor Pritoula

- First shift welcome event to be held on Monday, October 23rd 6-9pm at SC2

Mezzanine

- Start planning for AGM/ acknowledgments for past volunteers, contributors to CVMHA (CVRD)...

Adjourn: 9:00PM

Next Meeting: Tuesday November 21 @ 6:30 (SC1 Aquarium)