

**Comox Valley Minor Hockey Association
January 16, 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), Beth Matthews (Secretary), Melissa Berrigan (Ice Coordinator), Simon Morgan (Registrar), Jacob Hill (RIC)

Regrets: Dallas MacDonald (Asst to 1st Vice), Cam Knox (Coach Coordinator)

Call To Order: 6:36PM

Additions to Agenda: U15 Lightning 2024/2025

Adoption of Agenda: Beth Matthews/Tish Kristensen **All in favor**
Approval of December 19 Minutes: Beth Matthews /Tish Kristensen **All in favor**

Outstanding Items: None

President:

VIAHA: Sunday January 14, there was MHA meeting with presidents. Other presidents have seen a turn around in sportsmanship from our players.

Complaints – VIAHA is overwhelmed with complaints. The first place to bring complaints is to our association first – will be turned away from VIAHA if they have not yet went to the association first. Please remind volunteers of this.

Lightning program – there is \$20000 available that female development can apply for that is intended to support female development. Female development can reach out to Lori Wishart or Jesse Hammill who is the female development coordinator.

March 15 is the deadline change for any bylaw changes.

Boundary restructuring next year – there has been a more open conversation around Campbell River and our association working more closely together.

Goal tender round table lead by Bill Morrison (Goal tender VP) will be held February 3.

Discussion around building a database for each player that would contain everything about the player – VIAHA does not want to use HCR as they do not see it as a secure database.

On Sunday (Glacier Gardens) U13 there was skate cut incident to the neck – there has been an alleged kick by the other teams player against a CVMHA player. Witness reports are being coordinated stating that it was intentional. The official that saw it did not see anything intentional and did not think it was intent to injure.

Action: CVMHA to collect information and send this information to VIAHA to assess and make recommendations. As an interim measure CVMHA will not allow that player in question to participate in any games with CVMHA.

January 23 and 30 6:30 – 8:00 there will be open houses regarding “The way we play”
There will be two open houses in February regarding the skill portion of “The way we play”.

David Duvall asked about our safety policy for our players. It is imperative that all our ice times have a safety and a first aider present. The first aider should be listed on the board as soon as they come into the arena. The association will buy a whiteboard to put beside the chalkboard for the first aider to sign up.

Registrar: Discussion around a refund for player (247.50)– policy states that under compassionate grounds we can provide a refund. Decision to refund half of the registration fees.

First Shift – two U9 players did not get enrolled, as this division is full. Applied for the October/November early First Shift program next season.

Not sure that our teams understand the purpose of gaming funds. Want to clarify this with teams and educate around gaming funds.

Recreational awards are coming up.

Have five defaults – have sent bills and made phone calls. Will allow the players to continue to play, however the player will be unable to play next season until the payments have been caught up.

Ice Allocator: Bears ID camp ice is set up for April.

All stars ice has been established.

Next season 6:30 AM ice Goalie development needs to be discussed moving forward.

Have asked to take back the Friday night ice from the Impact team. May need to request ice back from ringette.

Coach coordinator: Regrets

REP Director: U13 held their home tournament – hosted two teams from Calgary.

U15 looking at going to Provincials should they qualify.

U18 won bronze at a tournament.

Bears meeting will be held next week to discuss next season.

RIC: U21 tournament went great – went over budget.

Discussion around a parent entering the dressing room alone as a parent (the parent is also a coach) and this parent confronted a referee.

Will be planning a referees meeting.

1st Vice:

Summary of Hockey Ops meeting (January 9th): Talked with Division managers around first aid as a requirement of user groups.

Discussion around U9 full ice and ensuring that referees are aware.

Discussion about who will be returning to their position as Division managers next season.

AGM 2024:

We have standard awards that we have always awarded.

Would like to see a committee formed and will be asking Luisa to head up that committee. Trevor is willing to co-chair. Simon will also take part.

Have asked Division managers to start to think about awards.

Live Barn Update: Live barn has stated that the infrastructure and set up is free – they make money from the subscription.

All Star teams - Try-out process will be new this year. Everyone is welcome to try out for the All Star team. Coaches have been asked to provide the names of five players (Character, sportsmanship, attendance, skill) to help inform the selection process.

Have been trying to nail down a date for the anti vaping information session with the Glacier Kings. Will be discussing this further to arrange.

Lightning program would like to expand however there is a lack of ice available. Any program changes have to be approved by the executive.

Assistant to 1st Vice: Regrets
2nd Vice: Vacant

Assistant to 2nd Vice: Nothing to report

Treasurer: Reports provided to the executive.

Directors at Large: Trevor:

Andrew: Buddy check for Jesse – Will be running this weekend. There is a prepared speech that will be given to the coaches to discuss with players around mental health. Hoping that this will provide opportunity for players some education around mental health concerns and support.

Adjourn: 8:25 PM

Next Meeting: Tuesday February 20 @ 6:30 (SC1 Aquarium)