

**VMHA Annual General Meeting 2018**

Wednesday, April 4, 2018 – 7:00pm

Britannia Secondary School Auditorium

Call to order 7:12pm

**MOTION** to approve the agenda, by Nick Santorelli.

Seconded by Anita Yen.

All in favour. Carried.

**MOTION** to approve the minutes of 2017 AGM by Stephen Partridge.

Seconded by Rod Johnston.

All in favour. Carried.

**PRESIDENT’S REPORT**

* Thank you all for another great year, board members and membership alike.
* Association is in a strong position financially
* Many successes this year including introduction of TeamSnap association-wide, increased sharing of information within the board, Division Managers and members, acquisition of equipment for cross-ice hockey, quality of hired coaches and creation of pop-up clinics.
* Areas for improvement include development and recruiting of goaltenders, transition to a more effective board structure
* Paid administrative position has been created to support work of registrar and ice allocator.
* BC Hockey Zone Program still under discussion for lower mainland
* Reminder of the volunteer dinner April 11

**VP1**

* Decrease in discipline & complaints related work this year
* Six “mini-complaints” resolved through Complaints Resolution Policy with Div. Manager’s assistance. This is the second year the policy has been in place and it works well.
* BC Hockey; increase number of 6+ game suspensions for Gross Misconducts (racial slurs) – what can VMHA do to decrease? In most cases, VP1 spoke with the suspended player and had them write a letter of apology to player involved.
* Hockey Canada First Shift Program; introduction to hockey for 45 new players, thanks to the coaches who came out. Will do again next year, 45 kids already signed up.
* Unfinished business; secure coaches for First Shift program in the fall, search for additional ice for the association, explore partnership opportunities with City of Vancouver and/or CanSkate to increase participant numbers at VMHA
* Zone Pilot Program; lower mainland associations seem to want it but discussions are ongoing, could hurt smaller associations

**VP2**

* Here to facilitate communication & support the board
* Brought in TeamSnap association-wide; website & registration, easier to update website content
* Lots of communication, up to membership to filter. Great stories like Canucks Autism Network exhibition game at VMHA tournament, Bantam A2 Acts of Kindness, Hockey Day at VMHA
* First and Second Shift programs hope to increase enrollment numbers in initiation groups

**ICE**

* Third and final season as ice allocator, went more smoothly than previous years
* Clinics & Tryouts set up earlier with more notice given
* 4.75 hour/week reduction in ice time this year, was able to work around that as well as late addition of Juvenile A team
* Anticipate another decrease in ice for coming season due to increase in figure skating numbers
* Donated ice to Midget C Scholarship tournament, hosted Juvenile A Final Four
* Please remember to return any unused ice as it can be used for pop-up clinics
* Thanks to Paul at Parks Board as well as contacts at 8Rinks and Britannia

**COACH**

* Successful season, provided opportunity for player to improve
* Hired “A” coaches who were good coaches and good people
* Largely met goals for season; thank you to Kevin, Nick, Joel. Thanks to Stu Windsor and Matthew Adams for helping out on short notice. Thanks to Jason Krog and Tara Rodas as well.
* Priorities; 1-2 rep coaches to be replaced (most are returning), ensure experienced coaches in “C” division, develop strategy to proactively deal with loss of players to academies, better utilize the ice we have
* Existing Director of Hockey contract was not renewed; new job description for the position, seeking applicants now.

**REGISTRAR**

* Registration numbers increased this year despite significant loss of players to academies
* Low rep tryout numbers, especially in Midget
* BC Hockey states number of players affiliated to rep teams declining since 2013; try to increase number of affiliates per team going forward
* Fundraising so good there is now a program in place to assist players financially beyond what’s available from outside sources
* Will not be retuning as registrar; there is more to the job than registration, thank you to those who have supported/assisted me and for your patience. Suggests VMHA discontinue use of third party registration system in favour of Hockey Canada registration; significantly less work for registrar

**SECRETARY**

* No report

**VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR**

* No report

**REFEREE in CHIEF**

* 32 new officials this year – the most in his experience
* Thanks to VMHA coaches; all good feedback from officials, your good treatment of refs ensures they continue officiating
* Thanks to Tara Rodas for scheduling full-ice scrimmages for referee training, H4 coaches for challenging officials during these games
* Stepping down after 6 years in this position, Darren Phung hopes to fill the position going forward
* Reminder to work together as a board and an association for the benefit of the kids playing here

**REFERREE ASSIGNOR**

* No report

**RISK MANAGER**

* Only two suspension for non-compliance this year
* Working on safety protocols at Agrodome
* Encourage team officials to get their credentials in place early in the season

**EQUIPMENT**

* Primary goal this year was to acquire equipment to aid in development; additional equipment was required for cross-ice games (dividers, mini-nets)
* Worked on systematic approach to distribution and collection of equipment, including jerseys (large amounts of gear/jerseys not returned year to year)
* Complete jersey refresh in 3-5 years
* Always get volunteers on request – thanks very much!

**TOURNAMENT COORDINATOR**

* Thank you for coming, it’s important to hear what’s up
* Very successful tournament despite Burnaby’s tournament taking place at the same time; 63 teams, raised $30,000, great support from parents and board
* Big undertaking but very rewarding; $5000 donation to Canuck Place, $4000 donation to Canucks Autism Network
* PWC team played team from Canucks Autism Network on last day of tournament; wonderful experience, first real game for the CAN team
* Require much support in this role – please help!

**FUNDRAISING**

* Good job fundraising this year means no increase in registration fees
* Thanks to the board; was a challenging year but we worked hard to exceed the expectations of our members
* Hockey Day 3-on-3 tourney raised $1300, Puck n’ Party $5500
* Britannia Concession proceeds are matched by Britannia with fund going into the hockey accessibility fund mentioned by Xio
* Hockey Pool; $41,000 sales, $24,000 net proceeds
* Total of $33,000 raised under this portfolio
* Still more we can do; sponsorship program, expand Hockey Day, later summer gear sale, renewed apparel program
* Thanks to our 25+ volunteers this year
* Committee approach for the coming season

**CONSIDERATION OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

* For year ending April 2017; Jersey deposits ($68k) and Volunteer Fees ($31k) not included in cash. Increase in revenue ($15k) due to increased registration, expenses down $31k
* For February 2018 financial statement and 2019 forecast; Hockey Pool raised $25k (included in gaming funds), expenses up 17% due to equipment costs, affiliation fees and coaching budget. Carryover of $393k.

**MOTION** to approve financial statements (as presented) by Rod Johnston.

Seconded by Nick Santorelli.

All in favour. Carried.

**CONSIDERATION OF THE SPECIAL RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE BY-LAWS OF THE SOCIETY**

Brian Johnson: No board realignment at this time, only administrative changes to bylaws to meet new standards.

**MOTION** to amend by-laws (as presented) by John Flipse.

Seconded by Stephen Partridge.

45 in favour. 0 opposed. Carried

**ELECTION OF DIRECTORS OF THE SOCIETY**

**MOTION** to dissolve current board with exception of retuning 2-year term members by Nick Santorelli.

Seconded by Ian Garrett

All in favour. Carried

**NOMINATIONS**

*Election of 1st Vice President, 2018-2020*

* Nick Santorelli (accepts)
* No other nominations

1st Vice President for 2018-2020 is Nick Santorelli.

*Election of Ice Allocator, 2018-2020*

* Anita Yen (declines)
* Quyen Cheng (accepts)
* No other nominations

Ice Allocator for 2018-2020 is Quyen Cheng.

*Election of Registrar, 2018-2020*

* Tara Rodas (accepts)
* No other nominations

Registrar for 2018-2020 is Tara Rodas

*Election of Treasurer, 2018-2020*

* Kern Chiu (accepts)
* No other nominations

Treasurer for 2018-2020 is Kern Chiu

*Election of Volunteer Coordinator, 2018-2020*

* Debra Winter (declines)
* Toby Chu (declines)
* No other nominations

Volunteer Coordinator for 2018-2020 remains vacant.

*Election of Referee in Chief, 2018-2020*

* Darren Phung (accepts)
* No other nominations

Referee in Chief for 2018-2020 is Darren Phung.

*Election of Tournament Director, 2018-2020*

* Pina Venture (accepts)
* No other nominations

Tournament Director for 2018-2020 is Pina Ventura.

*Election of Fundraising Coordinator, 2018-2020*

* Mike Coderre (accepts)
* No other nominations

Fundraising Coordinator for 2018-2020 is Mike Coderre.

**NOMINATION OF LIFE MEMBERS**

Rod Johnston

Debra Winter

Gord Schmidt

**MOTION** to adjourn by Nick Santorelli

Seconded by Stephen Partridge.

All in favour. Carried.

**ADJOURNED** at 9:00pm.

50 Members in attendance.