



VMHA Annual General Meeting 2020

Tuesday, November 24 – 7:00pm
Via Zoom

Call to order 7:13pm

Motion to approve the agenda by Levi Higgs. Seconded by Leah Kimura. All in favour. Carried.

Motion to approve the 2019 AGM minutes by Iva Matousek. Seconded by Kim Halladay.
All in favour. Carried.

First Vice President/Acting President's Report

- Thanks everyone for taking time to attend VMHA's first virtual AGM. Thanks to board of directors, paid staff and volunteers for your efforts.
- 2019/20 season began with strong registration numbers. We started construction on the VMHA Training Centre and held a very successful Hockey Day at VMHA. Thanks to Mike Coderre for bringing branding, community and culture together in this one day.
- Continued to offer the First Shift Program, allowing new families to try hockey at an affordable price. Thanks to the board as well as the many volunteer coaches, on-ice helpers and high school aged players for being part of this great event.
- 15th Annual Christmas tournament; nearly 60 teams playing over 4 days with portion of proceeds going to Canuck Place & Canucks Autism Network. Appreciation to all past Tournament Directors, this is no easy task.
- Assumed role of acting president around this time. Thanks to Kevin Cartwright for his hard work, especially bringing new technology to VMHA.
- C teams well-represented at banner games, many A teams participating in playoffs in early March, before COVID arrived and minor sports came to a halt
- Awards presentation was to be added to our annual volunteer dinner, along with presentation of class rings to graduating Midget players with 9+ years at VMHA. All stalled by COVID.
- Al Boyd Bursary presented for a second year
- Traditional April AGM was deferred and current board members agreed to stay beyond allotted terms to ensure VMHA prepared for a return to play.
- Attended many BC Hockey, PCAHA and viaSport meeting through April & May, and was able to get summer camps and safety plans ready for Phase 2 and Phase 3 return to play.
- Worked with our neighbouring associations to ensure City Councillors and Park Board Commissioners knew we were ready to start hockey with safety plans in place. Thanks to the board and membership for the hard work done to ensure we were complaint.
- With travel restrictions and facility limits, the board felt the annual Christmas tournament would not be feasible this year. Proposed charity golf tournament may fill that gap. Couldn't hold the Hockey Day at VMHA event either but still managed a successful photo day at Our Lady of

Sorrows. Thanks to all volunteers for helping to ensure required protocols were followed and for keeping our members safe.

- In regards to VP1 duties, complaints & disciplinary concerns primarily bullying & harassment now. Discipline committee has done a fabulous job dealing with issues fairly and with great consideration. Hopeful the next VP1 will continue to lead this committee and develop new means to combat this problem
- Thanks to the two previous presidents for allowing me to help where I was needed and thanks to the board for their support over the last 11 months.

Treasurer's Report & Consideration of the Financial Statements

- VMHA continues to remain in a healthy financial position.
- Large cash position resulted in gaming grant reduction from \$73,000 in 2018 to \$54,750 in 2019.
- 2019/20 Financials
 - April 2020 year-end total revenue of \$733,000. Main contributors:
 - \$464,000 registration income (527 participants)
 - \$65,000 Christmas tournament, down from \$91,000 in previous year
 - \$37,000 additional income from Hockey Pool sales
 - Notable expenses:
 - Equipment, \$72,000 vs. \$50,000 budget. Jersey refresh now complete. New cross-ice barriers purchased for Agrodome
 - Ice, \$363,000 vs. \$350,000 budget
 - Training Facility, \$40,000 spent for operating expenses
 - Board feels VMHA enrollment will continue to be challenged by various competing programs such as academies and zone programming.
- VMHA Training Facility
 - Project started in September 2019, final completion & occupancy permit May 14, 2020
 - Total cost of \$237,000. Over budget but board wanted to build a first-class facility
 - Monthly operating cost approximately \$4500
 - Lease \$4050
 - Utilities/Internet \$350
 - Insurance \$80
- 2020/21 Budget/Actual
 - Registration income approximately \$401,000. Down from last season due to 10% early bird registration discount for returning players and 28 fewer participants
 - Government gaming grant returned to \$97,000 due to board's conscious decision to invest in infrastructure (Training Facility)
 - Remaining budgeted income unlikely to occur; no Christmas tournament, potentially no hockey pool
 - Expenses are being tightly monitored. Ice will remain our greatest expense and budgeted at \$350,000
 - Cash flow of projected income and expenses to end of current fiscal year does show VMHA will be operating in a surplus this current year.
- Question, M. Lockhart: Is Training Facility lease guaranteed at \$4500/month after three years?
 - Lease states "market pricing" at end of current lease

- Question, J. McGill: Is the association eligible for any of the government programs?
 - Applied for and received CEBA loan of \$40,000. Holding in account, \$10,000 will be forgiven in 2 years.
 - Applied for viaSport grant, response likely in January
 - Applied for commercial rent grant but did not qualify.

Hockey Director's Report

- It's been a tough year and a mid-season AGM is unusual. Hopeful the new board will continue with current programming as it has been set out.
- Has been with VMHA since 1993, first as player, then coach, now paid staff. With volunteerism on the decline and trend toward paid staff it will be hard to continue to provide minor sport at a reasonable cost. Glad to see numbers present at tonight's meeting and people stepping up to help.
- Have had to be flexible in our programming options this season, training centre will augment
- Solid group of young coaches for teams and skills development

Motion to approve reports as presented by Kim Halladay. Seconded by Brenda Pearce.
All in favour. Carried.

Election of the Directors of the Society for 1-year terms

Election of President, 2020-2021

- Tara Rodas (accepts)
- Nick Santorelli (accepts)

President for 2020-2021 is Nick Santorelli.

Election of Equipment Manager, 2020-2021

- John Lavell (declined)
- No other nominations

Position remains vacant.

Election of the Directors of the Society for 2-year terms

Election of 1st Vice President, 2020-2022

- Mike Coderre (accepts)
- Kevin Kimura (accepts)
- John Lavery (accepts)

1st Vice President for 2020-2022 is Mike Coderre.

Election of 3rd Vice President, 2020-2022

- Eric Mewhinney (declines)
- Gord Rumohr (accepts)

3rd Vice President for 2020-2022 is Gord Rumohr.

Election of Treasurer, 2020-2022

- Phil Aguirre (accepts)
- Kern Chiu (accepts)
- Christina Rei (declines)

Treasurer for 2020-2022 is Kern Chiu.

Election of Fundraising Coordinator, 2020-2022

- Won Nam (accepts)
- No other nominations

Fundraising Coordinator for 2020-2022 is Won Nam.

Election of Tournament Director, 2020-2022

- Eric Mewhinney (declines)
- Kevin Kimura (declines)
- No other nominations

Position remains vacant.

Motion to destroy the ballots. None to destroy.

Nominations for Life Members. None.

MOTION to adjourn by Leanne Smith. Seconded by Flavia Corbella. All in favour. Carried.

ADJOURNED at 8:45pm.

159 members in attendance.