



VMHA Annual General Meeting 2021

Tuesday, June 1 – 7:00pm
Via Zoom

Call to order 7:07pm

MOTION to approve the agenda, by Kern Chiu. Seconded by Stephen Partridge.

All in favour. Carried.

MOTION to approve the minutes of 2020 AGM, by James Nedila. Seconded by Leanne Smith.

All in favour. Carried.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- Before we begin, let us observe a moment of silence in honour of the 215 children of the Kamloops Indian Residential School. Thank you.
- As we approach our 20th season, we'd like to acknowledge the VMHA Life Members present; some still actively participating in VMHA activities such as the annual general meeting, Al Boyd Bursary selection committee, and our Christmas tournament.
- Thanks also to our volunteers, coaches and team administrators who kept our players safe and engaged to the end of the season.
- The recent VMHA Membership Engagement Survey provided the board valuable information for the coming season; changes have already been made to our communication strategy and volunteer management system and increased player development will be a priority for the new board.
- Decreasing PHO restrictions should allow us to use the VMHA Training Centre for regular, small group programming this summer and fall.
- Ice allocation will remain tight for the coming season. Summer programming is currently in the works, with activities beginning mid to late August, and we anticipate a return to game play this fall.
- We would like to recognize an extraordinary volunteer this year. Maria Johnston began volunteering with VMHA in 2004 and has been our Referee Assignor since 2010. In addition to the VMHA Board, Maria also served as a PCAHA League Manager. Thank you, Maria, for your years of service, congratulations on becoming our newest Life Member.

CONSIDERATION OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

2020-2021 Season

- Decreased revenue (approximately \$160k) resulting from the loss of major fundraising initiatives (tournament/hockey pool) due to Covid. Slight decrease in registration numbers as well.
- Expenses were closely managed. Most significant expense remains ice rental. VMHA Training Centre costs approximately \$60k per year to operate.
- Season deficit (\$78k) covered by cash reserves on hand.

2021-2022 Season

- Evaluation of cost per player and division to ensure association operates on a break-even basis.
- Likely to see increase in registration fees as a result.
- Budget prepared in anticipation of a “normal” season beginning in September. Currently 427 players registered (48 more than this time last year). Plan to run tournament and hockey pool. Will continue to closely monitor expenses.

Question from Andrew James: Hockey Pool fundraiser is hard to follow. Is there a way to make it more engaging/easier to follow your teams?

Answer from Mike Coderre: Hockey Pool is onerous to operate but is our single largest fundraising event.

MOTION to accept financial statements (as presented) by John Flipse. Seconded by Liz Urbach.

All in favour. Carried.

DIRECTOR OF HOCKEY

- Despite a challenging season we had good volunteer turnout and good retention of our A coaches
- Coach Development program is seeing success as well
- Looking to increase player development opportunities in the coming season however will require some creative scheduling in light of decreasing ice resources.

FUNDRAISING

- Only two tee times remain for the charity golf tournament June 22, proceeds going to Canuck Place and Canucks Autism Network.
- Will look at hockey pool format as suggested

PRESENTATION OF LIFE MEMBER(S)

Maria Johnston

ELECTION OF DIRECTORS OF THE SOCIETY

Election of President, 2021-2023

- Nick Santorelli (accepts)
- No other nominations

President for 2021-2023 is Nick Santorelli.

Election of 2nd Vice President, 2021-2023

- James Nedila (accepts)
- No other nominations

2nd Vice President for 2021-2023 is James Nedila.

Election of Secretary, 2021-2023

- Lindsay Kelly (accepts)
- No other nominations

Secretary for 2021-2023 is Lindsay Kelly

Election of Equipment Manager, 2021-2023

- Liz Urbach (accepts)
- No other nominations

Equipment Manager for 2021-2023 is Liz Urbach.

Election of Coach Coordinator, 2021-2023

- Kevin Kimura (accepts)
- Ryan Crago (not present, unable to confirm acceptance)
- No other nominations

Coach Coordinator for 2021-2023 is Kevin Kimura.

Election of Referee Assignor, 2021-2023

- Michelle Young (accepts)
- No other nominations

Referee Assignor for 2021-2023 is Michelle Young.

Election of Tournament Director, 2021-2022

- Noy Leksinski (declines)
- No other nominations

Tournament Director remains vacant at this time.

MOTION to destroy the ballots (none) by Leanne Smith. Seconded by Stephen Partridge.

All in favour. Carried

MOTION to adjourn by Ian Garrett. Seconded by Quyen Cheng.

All in favour. Carried.

ADJOURNED at 7:51pm.

65 Members in attendance.