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EXECUTIVE MEETING March 8, 2016 7 pm Centennial Community Centre MEETING MINUTES

- 1 Roll call: Rob, Kurt, Vandy, Dave, Jeff, Daniel, Desiree, Bud, Pete, Jennifer, Janet, Kelly, Greg
Regrets: Barb, Christel, Lynda, Kevin, Tracy, Ross
- 2 Adoption of Minutes of: February 9, 2016. **Motion:** Dave; Second: Desiree.
Carried
- 3 Business arising:
 - 3.1 Policy Recommendations: Chuck Campbell has agreed to the renaming of the Juvenile award in his honour. We need to invite him to Awards to present. **Action:** Rob to inform Chuck of date of AGM (April 13).
 - 3.2 Hometown Hockey: GREAT SUCCESS.....Thanks Daniel!
 - 3.3 School Board Hockey Academy – is a go for the coming year.
 - 3.4 AGM date – Date set for Wednesday, April 13, 2016. 7pm Awards; 7:30pm AGM.
 - 3.5 Awards Committee update: info has been distributed to Division Managers by Tracy.
 - 3.6 Scholarship Committee: scholarship applications to go to Kurt.
- 4 Correspondence:
 - 4.1 Presidents C league Fine \$500 **Action:** letter to be sent to Team Officials for the Pee wee C1 team. Vandy will draft.
 - 4.2 NW Bruins Jerseys donated by Gary Mathiesen, President and CEO Quay Property Management. **Action:** Janet to store and inventory.
- 5 New Business:
 - 5.1 As part of reports please indicate if you plan on standing for re-election
- 6 Reports:
 - 6.1 President (Rob): plan to stand for re-election
BC Hockey:
 - Feb 26 Governance Committee agreed on formula for membership criteria to resolve the outstanding By-Law issues remaining from last AGM. Committee agreed to put forward a formula very similar to the existing voting rules.Presidents C League:
 - Championship Days March 5-6, RIC. NWMHA 3 volunteers (Pam Hackett, Kelly Corbett, Tracy Dunsford) for March 6 late shift 3-6pm.



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-H1 teams played and had a great time. Only our Bantam C1 team made a banner game and lost in overtime to a T-Birds team.

-Pewee C1 Team fined \$500 for no show. Policy decision needed.

IN CAMERA MEETING REQUIRED

NWMHA:

-Donation of NW Bruins jerseys See correspondence

-Pewee C1 meetings, interviews and data collection.

-Intro to Rep tryouts March 9-10, 3:45-5:45pm. Rob, Mike Gallant, Ron Connor, Dwight Noda assisting.

-Home Town Hockey: WOW!!!!

Thank you to all the volunteers, with special thanks to Daniel, Dave, and Beth McNaughton. Congrats to the two players we put forward to be on TV (Cooper Birks, and Alicia Narain).

-NWMHA rally raised approx. \$2700.

-\$5000 Scotiabank sponsorship, increase from \$2000

-Thanks to every volunteer in NWMHA – hockey does not happen without you.

6.2 1st Vice President (Dave): plan to stand for re-election; Rogers Hometown Hockey a great success. Thanks to all that helped make it so great, with a huge thanks to Daniel.

6.3 2nd Vice President (Daniel): plan to stand for re-election;

- Final preparations underway for Bobby Love and Al Hughes Tournament
- Al Hughes' daughter has agreed to sponsor the **Most Sportsmanlike Team** Awards. These will be presented on Monday, March 14th
- Brent Hughes will be on-hand for a puck drop
- MLA Judy Darcy may be participating in a puck drop
- Amazing response from advertisers and sponsors of the tournament
- Printed programs are complete and came in at \$863+ tax. Total amount raised through advertising/sponsors was \$1,400. Excess funding will be used to cover some intermission prizing, volunteer snacks, framed certificates, etc.
- Print program template can now be used for future tournaments
- All the necessary documentation was received by the teams well ahead of the deadlines
- Each team has submitted volunteer roster. Only a few slots were left open but have been filled by NWMHA volunteers who don't have children in the tournament.
- Held a final meeting with team managers in mid-February
- Each player swag bag has estimated value over \$40. Includes t-shirt, water bottle, Swiss Chalet coupons, etc,



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- Have been asked to be the “caller” for PeeWee Provincials in West Vancouver on March 17th
- Perhaps we look at doing a “Hockey Fest New West” event on a yearly basis?
- **Motion** to purchase 600 medals from Hyack Trophy based on the given quote.
Motion: Daniel; Second: Jeff. Carried.

6.4 3rd Vice President (Tracy): Absent. Report submitted.

Awards and Scholarship Information

Attached are two documents: the NWMHA Scholarship Application (for Midget and Juvenile players) and the updated NWMHA Awards Descriptions (Note: awards are for players of PeeWee age and up).

Deadline: March 27th to get nominations into DM's or me.

Awards Committee: To meet the week of March 27th. Date TBC based on nominations.

6.5 Treasurer (Kurt): plan to stand for re-election;

6.5.1 Operating statement as presented. Not reported in the Operating Statement are two amounts that were deposited directly to the Financial Aid fund. Friday's Hometown Hockey night. We received \$2,614.84 in donations. In addition Scotia Bank contributed \$5,000 to the Financial Aid Fund over the Hometown Hockey weekend!

6.5.2 Draft Budget as presented – please review and provide feedback. We will need to vote on this draft budget next meeting.

6.5.3 We received a cheque for \$4,084 from Vancouver Giants. This was for the unclaimed 50/50 draw back in November 2013.

6.5.4 I will need assistance with is collecting the advertisers who committed to the 8-page pull out of the Record regarding Hometown Hockey. In the end we had 13 groups who agreed to pay \$250 each for advertising. So far we have only received \$750 of the \$3,250. I will need some help contacting those 10 groups to get the money in before end of the fiscal year which is March 31. **Action:** Jen, Bud, Kevin and Daniel to follow up.

6.5.5 **Division Managers:** please let each of your teams know where to find the EXCEL referee payment schedule, to complete it in full and send it in to me to determine if there is money owed to them or a refund back to NWMHA. And also, please remind the teams to complete the accounting of the team finances and get those into me as soon as possible.



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6.5.6 I am starting to prepare the Gaming Grant application and plan to submit it in April. But this is dependent in me getting all the numbers from the sources above, so again Division Managers and other Executives please help.

6.6.7 **Motion** to approve spending up to \$10,000 above budget (primarily for new goalie equipment) by Equipment manager. **Motion:** Kurt; Second: Jeff. Carried.

6.6 Registrar (Janet): plan to stand for re-election;

6.6.1 REGISTRATION

- Early Registration is a little slow. Notification sent to all division managers today.
- Total registered on line as of March 6th at 1400hrs = 9 registered
- On-line EARLY Registration is open until **March 31, 2016 at 2359hr.**
- **LATE Registrations (after May 31st) may be subject to a waitlist. NO exceptions or allowances after this date.**
- ***Payment received on or before May 31st will guarantee your player/goalie a spot on the pre-registration team list.***
- To make other payment arrangements, please contact the Treasurer as soon as possible.
- Rep Tryout fee is \$25 and non-refundable. Refunds will only be approved if player is unable to participate due to injury/illness prior to tryouts **AND** concurrently decides that he/she no longer wish to tryout for a rep team.
- If player/goalie is undecided about tryouts at the time of registration, deadline to inform the registrar of his/her intent to tryout (with payment arrangement) is **June 30th, 2016** to add to the Rep tryout list. NO Drop-ins.

Kurt and I are going to streamline the registration and payment process so we don't run into late or no payment throughout the season.

Kurt and I did a thorough audit this weekend (Atom to Juvenile) and we have a few non-payment still to "chase" down...only 7 so far... We will complete the audit for the H1-H4 this week.

6.6.2 CHALLENGES PREDICTED NEXT SEASON:

I think that the challenge for me/us this year will be the goalie situation...this will be dependent on how many are returning, moving to next division and it will be a first registered AND paid to secure a spot. However this all depends upon the number of teams we create and the coaches available.

Estimated Number of NWMHA goalies in each division for 2016-17:

- Atom -- 3 + 5?(unknown how many from H4 will be declared goalies)



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- PeeWee -- 4 + 1?(if he decides to stay in house to be a player/goalie)
- Bantam -- 4 + 1?(player movement from Surrey)
- Midget -- 10 (this does not include the 3 goalies from out of district we acquired 2015-16 season)
- Juvenile -- 3 (1 moving up from Midget next season)

6.7 Secretary (Vandy): plan to stand for re-election;

Usual editing and letter-writing for association; AGM booked for Wednesday, April 13th at the NWSS Library. 7pm Awards; 7:30pm AGM begins. Action: will place ad in the Record and on the Leader board at 6th and McBride. **Action:** all executive should prepare a brief report to read at the AGM, discussing highlights.

6.8 Coach Coordinator (Pete): plan to stand for re-election;

- Collected feedback from NWMHA coaches and from RPM on how the coach mentorship program is working. The feedback on our coaches was extremely positive. The working relationship between RPM and our coaching staff is positive and collaborative. I will use this feedback and work with Rob to improve the program moving forward. I am very happy with the feedback I received and am grateful to all the coaches and RPM for all the effort they put in to help make us a better Association.
- Great feedback received on the Wednesday power skating skills program. There were 4 very nice emails from parents saying how much the program has improved over the past couple of years and 2 e-mails from parents with novice age players who registered for the first time. The plans that Rory sent to me prior to the program started were followed and what I noticed this year more than last was that they were pushing the kids harder trying to keep them out of their comfort zone.
- Will ask Janet to send a request to all parents to fill out coach evaluation forms for season end. (end of March)
- Will be sending an e-mail at the end of March asking if coaches will be returning to get an idea of numbers next year.
- Assisting Rob as required in an investigation on one of the PeeWee teams that has had repeated documented issues throughout the year.
- Another issue with Midget C where there was no coach on the ice with the players. I spoke to the assistant coach and reported to DM and Pres. There was a mix up of communications but one of the A/C's finally showed up.
- Reminders sent to coaches that Coach 2 and Dev 1 Post Tasks are due March 31.



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Projects Update:

- Service Provider Market Sound – Have had to push back timeline to complete this due to competing work and Atom A1 team priorities but plan on working hard at this to complete this by the end of April.
- Recent Item – Standardize Rep tryout evaluation/assessment forms – Timeline – April – June 2016

6.9 Equipment Manager (Kevin): Absent. Nothing to report.
Will make purchases as per motion.

6.10 Ice Allocator (Lynda): Absent. Plan to stand for re-election;
I have been busy letting teams know when their last ice slot is as well as giving back much of our ice for the final couple weeks of our season. With all this going on I have had some hiccups with not giving some previous ice back to the city and for that I apologize. I have decided a new email system would be more affective and would think about implementing it for next year. With the volume of emails in and out I think the subject line should contain the date of the ice in question and perhaps even the division. It would make the scanning through of many emails a lot quicker and hopefully create less chance of something being forgotten.

6.11 Referee-in-Chief: Vacant.

6.12 Referee Allocator (Kelly): plan to stand for re-election;
-The season is coming to an end and the last of the H2 – H4 games have been allocated. I have had a lot of great input from all team about the referees this year and have taken that into consideration when allocating officials for games. Our new referees, although left in a bit of a situation as we have had no RIC this season, are showing lots of promise and I need to thank Shawn Hagan, Ryan Horton, Seamus Marcantonio and Parker Corbett for helping me out with that. I also looked at more experienced officials when it came to helping out officials that needed some extra support throughout the season and I do believe that helped out quite a bit.

-Out of the 5 officials that met the criteria to be assessed by BC hockey only one was chosen: congratulations to Ryan Horton.

-I have posted all the games for the upcoming Spring Tournament and am currently working on filling all the shifts. I am also going to send a firm reminder to all officials that they need to be at the arena 30 minutes prior to their shift as we have been having a few officials showing up 5 minutes before their shift during the regular season. This not only causes the managers stress during the regular season, but at the tournament this is added stress needed to our volunteers who are busily making sure the event is running smoothly. If the officials are not signed in at the head table by the time the Zamboni hits the ice then there may be a chance that their shift will be given away to another official.



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-All money and envelopes for the officials are completed ready to be given to the tournament coordinators.

-I have already been receiving interest in officials for next season and have started making a list of names and contacts.

6.13 Division Managers:

6.13.1 H1-2 (Desiree): plan to stand for re-election;

H1

Had a great time at Hometown Hockey.

Had a very fun year end party at Funtopia on Friday March 4th. One of them went face first into the cake while taking a closer look.

Have finished up their season with banner games on March 5th and 6th.

H2

Hometown Hockey:

Both teams enjoyed the hometown hockey kickoff skate. Many parents commented that the Hockey Circus show was lacklustre. The C2 team really enjoyed the Minor Hockey All Star experience. They were thrilled to meet Cliff Ronning and get all the free swag. They also had a good time performing their cheer on stage. The C1 team unfortunately had to give up their opportunity to be an All-Star team as they had a league game scheduled at the same time.

C1- Have played 21 games with 1 tournament remaining. They will max out their allotted games at 25. Had a very successful pub night – raised \$2500.

C2- Have played 20 games with 1 tournament remaining and will play a total of 24 games this season.

6.13.2 H3-4 (Jeff): will not return for H3-4; plan to run for Atom.

All teams are coming to the end for the season. They all have had some good success and it has been a very positive experience for them and for me. I look forward to help develop both players and coaches in the future.

6.13.3 Atom (Barb): Absent. Report submitted. Will not return for Atom ; I would like to thank all the volunteers in Atom that made this season a success for all the players.

Atom A1 did extremely well in Flight 2 and was moved up to Flight 1. This proved to be challenging for the players. The head coach provided his overall comments for the year, stating “he was very pleased with the growth of all the players and the team. During the second half of the season we competed in most games and it was clear that the boys were progressing considerably and were gaining confidence. While winning usually makes it more fun for everyone, our team always found a way to have fun and enjoy the hockey experience, win, lose



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or draw. We had an exceptional group of young men and parents and it was a pleasure and privilege to coach them this year.”

Atom A2 won the President Series banner for their flight. Congratulations. The head coach stated that it has been a good season overall. The players have improved during the second half of the season. The players improved with their individual skills and demonstrated team play. This resulted in the team winning a banner.

Atom C teams finished in the bottom two flights. C2 has finished strong with their season achieving a number of wins for the latter half of the season; C2 struggled during the season finishing with a few wins and some close games. Parents and players seemed to enjoy the season.

6.13.4 Peewee (Bud): plan to stand for re-election;

It has been a difficult year in the win/loss department for all four teams in Pee Wee. In hindsight, the numbers were just a player or two too few for all four teams. It was a call-up freeway for all teams. For the most part the parents and players have been positive and supportive. The C1 team was a bit more challenging, as a few parents tried their best to be disruptive and add as much discontent as they could. This carried on most of the year. I am looking forward to the upcoming Pee Wee tournament, and ending the year on a high note.

6.13.5 Bantam (Greg): plan to stand for re-election;

Not much to report fairly quiet this month. There were a couple discipline issues that came up but they were clarified and worked through at the team level. Unfortunately we had one player leave hockey for personal reasons. I touched base with both the coach and the family on the subject. At this point he is intending to return next year.

The Bantam teams were active in Hometown Hockey events. The Rep team played in front of 500 or so people on Friday and C1 goalie Alicia Narin was featured on the Sunday night broadcast with Ron McLean and Tara Sloan. One pretty cool moment was when Alicia took time to thank her mentor Keagan Melenychuk for all his support in her journey. All the players from C1 stuck around after the game to cheer Alicia on.

Teams are progressing through playoffs with C1 making it to the banner game.

6.13.6 Midget (Jennifer): plan to stand for re-election;

All Midget C teams were in the Orange Group for the Presidents League Playoffs.

Midget C1 After 8 GP 0 wins 7 losses 1 tie for 8 pts 5/5 teams.

Midget C2 After 8 GP 2 wins 5 losses 1 tie for 12 pts 4/5 teams.



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Midget C3 After 8 GP 4 wins 2 losses 2 ties for 18 pts 3/5 teams 1 point away from the top 2 teams.

Nicolas Lane received a Midget Scholarship from the Joe Morellato Tournament. Went to Bremerton for a tournament & had fun.

Midget A1

Lost 4-1 to Semiahmoo in the 1st round of the Tier 2 Rep playoffs

Won the President's League banner.

Cooper Birks spoke well when interviewed by Ron McLean & Tara Slone of Hometown Hockey.

Midget A2

Beat Semiahmoo 2- 0 in the 1st round of the Tier 3 Rep playoffs.

Lost to Whistler 12- 3 & 11- 2 in the 4 point 2nd round of the Rep playoffs.

In the President's Series 8 after 3 GP 0 wins 3 losses for 3 pts 4/4 teams.

6.13.7 Juvenile (Christel): will not run for Juvenile again;

Juvenile finished their league games with a second place in flight 2. They played Maple Ridge, 4th in flight 1, in the playoffs and played some of their best games of the season. Won game 1, lost game 2 and lost game 3 by one goal. They have won the President's League banner.

Attendance became an issue with more players dropping out towards the end of the season for personal reasons and injuries and the roster down to 16 after starting with 25.

6.13.8 Past President (Ross): Absent. No report submitted.

7 Date of Next Meeting: Monday April 11th, 2016. Date of AGM: Wednesday, April 13th, 2016.

8 Adjournment at 8:55pm