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New Westminister Minor Hockey Association
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EXECUTIVE MEETING October , 2017

7 pm Queens Park Arena (Meeting Room 1 upstairs)

MINUTES

1 **Roll call:** Kevin, Rob, Kelly, Eric, Jeff, Jenn, Nancy, Danielle, Desiree, Greg, Janet, Lara

Regrets: Lynda, Bill, Tracy, Tara, Ross, Kurt, Bernie

2 **Adoption of Minutes of:** Sept 11, 2017. **Motion:** Kevin; **Second:** Jenn

3 **Business arising:**

3.1 CRC follow up (Need update from Janet from HCR) – (Tabled)

3.2 Qualifications of Directors (have Bernie, Bill, Danielle, Eric, Greg, Kelly, Lynda, Nancy, Desiree, Kevin, Rob, Lara, Tracy, Jenn.....)

3.3 Refund Policy.....draft circulated with draft form (Tabled Rob to edit)

4 **Old Business:**

4.1 Vacancies: Secretary

4.2 Discipline Policy..... draft circulated (Tabled Rob to edit)

5 **Correspondence:**

5.1 Letter to BC Hockey regarding: Process improvement suggestion for BC Hockey AGM

5.2 Letter to BC Hockey regarding: Novice Major (H4) affiliation to Atom C

6 **New Business:**

7 **Reports:**

7.1 *President (Rob):*

BC Hockey : 1-Sportsmanship starts in Stands attendance submitted for Oct 7 meeting
2-Correspondence to BC Hockey regarding affiliation of Novice Major players to Atom.
3- Correspondence to BC Hockey regarding process improvement recommendation for BC Hockey AGM Resolutions package.

PCAHA: 1-League Managers needed Midget A and Bantam A.
2-Internal team lists for H2-H4 to be submitted to Managing Director.
3-Cross Ice Guidelines passed. (Forwarded a copy to all executive members)
4-Hockey Canada Minimum Suspension guidelines reviewed. Many were unaware of the changes last season, in particular supplemental games for multiple major-game misconducts.
5-Attendance at PCAHA suspension hearing as independent MHA president.



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President C League:

- 1-Cross Ice Reviewed.
- 2-H2-H4 balanced internal rosters to Rob so that I can forward to Managing Director.
- 3-H4 using 2 min. buzzer
- 4-H3-H4 League Manager, Lana Wakelam, NWMHA
- 5-H1-H4 league meeting Nov 21, 7pm Britannia
- 6-Midget C Scholarship game Dec10th, 5:15pm-7:15pm, QPA.....confirm ICE CLEAN with Gord, Lynda and City
- 7-Championship Days March 10-11 2018
- 8-Balancing Committee Nov 2

- NWMHA:**
- 1-Refund Policy Draft.....circulated
 - 2-Disciplin Policy Draft, NWMHA supplementary mandatory minimums.....circulated
 - 3-CRC follow up
 - 4-Qualification of Directors follow up.
 - 5-Managers Meeting Oct. 7, 10am

7.2 *1st Vice President (Bernie):*

FUNDRAISING / SPONSORSHIP

GIANTS GAME

They drastically reduced the number of games. A potential date is Jan. 24 WED, vs Spokane. Eric told me that H1 & H2 seem keen to do it. If H3/4 and Atom are on board, we will go ahead with it. Tara / Lara please let me know if teams/parents r\are on board.

I will hopefully hear back from the Giants, so I can start the process.

SPONSORS

KAL TIRE is still up ion the air. I have now contacted their head office and hope to have an answer soon.

COMMUNICATION

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

I have started it with Rob's column, but need more material from all divisions.

CONTACT ON WEBSITE

They are now all updated. I added Game and Practice Times for all teams.



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3RD RINK PROJECT

Daniel Fontaine and myself met with the Mayor and Head of Parks & Rec. to discuss our push for a Third Arena in New West. We have contacted Salmonbellies, Bby. & New West Ringette, Metro Ball hockey, Speedskating clubs in Richmond and Burnaby, and BC Figure Skating. So far we received positive feedback. There will be a presentation sometime in December. We'll keep you posted.

MISCELLANEOUS

I've sent you all an email regarding my concerns of how our season and ice times are structured. Not understanding how the entire process works in details with the city; I am simply trying to engage everyone into a discussion, of how we can influence and improve that process.

Absolutely no punt intended, but it cant be that e.g. our Bantam Rep Team practices' are WED 05:30, and FRI 15:45! We always indented to have our younger players practicing in the morning and Bantam and Midget would get afternoon / early evenings. The rest of my rant is in the mail.

7.3 *2nd Vice President (Desiree):*

TOURNAMENT COORDINATORS REPORT

General Updates

- I attended the PCAHA Tournament Directors Seminar on September 30th 2017 – Daniel has prepared me well as I was aware of pretty much everything they touch on. I am working with a few tournament coordinators from other associations to develop a more comprehensive guide to how to host a hockey tournament.
- I was unable to attend the managers meeting on Oct. 7th, Beth McNaughton attended in my place. I prepared an introduction document for team managers that was circulated as an attachment to all team managers with a summary of the meeting.
- I have been in touch with Kendall Birovchak at the Inn at the Quay. We will continue to promote the Inn at the Quay as our Hotel for tournaments this season. In return the Inn at the Quay will once again donate a portion of any bookings to our financial assistance fund.
- I have reached out to Derrick Thornhill, Ippolita Corcione and Fresh Slice Pizza this past week and am waiting replies. Next week I will be contacting Boston Pizza, Burger Heaven, Judy Darcy and Peter Julian.
- I have touched base with Beth McNaughton, and she assures me we have all the medals needed for this season and we will be going to the rink together to make sure no other supplies are needed.



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- I have made an inquiry with AAA Photography about the types of photos service they provide for tournaments. Awaiting reply.
- I have been approached by Curt Brown of PlayerStall sports – His company designs custom sport stalls for arenas and home use. He would like to bring in a sample 2'x2' stall to display throughout the tournament. He would then offer his Stadium model at a reduced price of \$330 (Regular \$415) to tournament participants with \$30 from each locker sold coming back to our association. I have arranged this for the Al Hughes and Bobby Love tournaments in March.

Herb House Tournament Update:

- Lynda made a slight change to the ice schedule, and I am still awaiting the renumbered version of the ice schedule.
- The C division is full with 10 teams I have received payment from 6 of the other association teams, 1 was mailed last Thursday and I expect it this week, still need payment from New West teams.
 - o Langley North Delta Boos Team
 - o North Delta Surrey C5
 - o Port Moody New West C1
 - o PoCo Pirates New West C2
 - o Surrey C6 New West C3
- The A Division now has 3 applications from other associations, 2 New West teams, and 3 spots to fill (I have received payment from PoCo and Cloverdale)
 - o PoCo A1
 - o Cloverdale
 - o Kent Valley Selects (Washington)
 - o New West A1
 - o New West A2
- I have emailed Kelowna, Kamloops, Williams Lake and a variety of other associations to see if they are interested in attending.
- I have emailed Lori to book a meeting room for the tournament committee.
- I am still looking for interested individuals to shadow Daniel in Deember.

AL Hughes Tournament update:

- I have received 8 applications to date, payment from two teams, however I exoect to see cheques rolling in quickly. We also have 3 new West teams at this level. I expect we will have confirmed 10 teams for the tournament in the next few weeks. 1 team likely from Kamloops and another from Kerry Park MHA near Shawnigam Lake.



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Bobby Love Tournament Update:

- This tournament has been slow to fill we have 2 New West teams, and 6 spots to fill in the tournament.
- I have had interest from a team in Saanich and the Vancouver T-Birds, but have not yet received applications.

Tournament Meeting Thursday, October 19, 2017. 7pm-9pm

7.4 3rd Vice President (Tracy): Team Pictures, Tuesday, November 14th (QPA)

2017 Hockey Schedule - November 14, 2017		
TEAM	TIME	
Hockey 1 C1	4:45 PM	
Hockey 1 C2	5:00 PM	
Atom A1	5:07 PM	
Hockey-2 C1	5:14 PM	
Hockey -2 C2	5:21 PM	
Hockey-3 C1	5:28 PM	
Hockey-3 C2	5:35 PM	
Hockey-4 C1	5:42 PM	
Hockey-4 C2	5:49 PM	
Hockey-4 C3	5:56 PM	
Atom C1	6:03 PM	
Atom C2	6:10 PM	
Midget A1	6:17 PM	
Peewee A1	6:24 PM	
Bantam C1	6:31 PM	
Peewee C1	6:38 PM	
Peewee C2	6:45 PM	
Peewee C3	6:52 PM	
Bantam A1	6:59 PM	
Midget A2	7:06 PM	
Midget C1	7:13 PM	
Midget C2	7:20 PM	
Midget C3	7:27 PM	

7.5 Treasurer (Kurt): See Operation Statement for 6 months ended September 30, 2017



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7.6 Registrar (Janet):

Qualifications of Directors still needed from Kurt, Janet and Jenn.
5 Executive members still need CRC: Tracy, Eric, Danielle, Greg and Jenn.
Atom A and Bantam A Divisions still need to submit Affiliate players.

7.7 Secretary (Vacant): All meeting in the board room unless otherwise indicated.

December 11th (Monday)
January 15th, 2018 (Monday)
February 19th, (Monday)
March 12th, (Monday)
April 16th, (Monday)
May 14th, (Monday)
June 11th, (Monday)
August 1st, (Wednesday)

7.8 Coach Coordinator (Jeff):

Midget players are volunteering to go out and help coach H1 and H2 practices and some hockey academy kids are helping out during the Wednesday night skill development sessions.

All Coaches are in place. We currently getting their updated info.

A number of coaches have signed up to take their certification over the next month.

RPM is up and running their biweekly development, coaches are encouraged to email or text the day before on what their practice needs are.

RPM development camp is two weeks in, we have added a goalie into each of the two older groups.

Projects. Looking into setting up BC Hockey skating camp in early December once all there clinics are completed.



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7.9 *Equipment Manager (Kevin):*

All teams except 1 or 2 in H4 have their jerseys.

This year has had more requests for smaller jerseys than in previous years.

The new socks are getting mixed reactions, some liking the look, others not.

The last great cleanout of the equipment room happened a while ago, it looks quite different without all of the unused jerseys, etc. not there.

I still have lots of gear, feel free to suggest to the younger age groups that they can take the clinic if they so desire.

Thanks to Desiree for finding me a free rolling rack that matched what I was already using.

Lots of managers came n\by after meeting and got their books, game sheets, etc.

7.10 *Ice Allocator (Lynda):*

Had 5 conflicts in our placement/balancing games for October with only 4 available slots.

Thanks to team managers and the city as these are all taken care of now.

I have one minor adjustment to make on the Herb House ice and will get that to Des as soon as possible.

7.11 *Referee-in-Chief: (Bill).*

RIC & Referee Allocator report

The past month has been spent going out and observing as many of the officials that were new last year. Since the balancing games and now that the league's placement games have begun I have spent quite a bit of time at the rink. I have spoken to quite a few of them and although there are still a number of them I still have to see we have a good baseline to work with and will hopefully be getting a number of them moved up with their gradings, so they can participate in more games.

We have only had a handful of officials stepping up to do games which does make it difficult to evaluate all the officials but the ones that are eager will be moving up.

The Clinic for the New referees was held on Saturday. We originally had communication with 13 New Westminister individuals that were interested. We then started receiving requests from other associations because they had either missed their associations clinic or they didn't have one to go to. That being said we opened it up to Hollyburn, West Van., and Richmond. This would have brought our numbers up to approximately 25 participants. By the end of the back and forth with everyone we ended up with 10 participating. 9 individuals from our association and 1 from Richmond. The ones from other associations ended up finding a clinic closer or their association ended up getting one provided for them. The small group was a good dynamic for the instructor and the RIC.



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We now have 9 new and eager New Westminister officials.

We also spoke to an individual from BC Hockey while at the clinic and with his help we will be working with a number of officials to help get them evaluated. It is a process and does take time as we are all volunteers and in order to get out to evaluate we need to co-ordinate games and time to do so.

Kelly & Bill Corbett

7.12 **Referee Allocator (Kelly):** I took the referee clinic and have become a certified referee.

7.13 **Division Managers:**

7.13.1 **H1-2 (Eric):**

The coach / ice-helper shortage in H1q has been resolved, with several volunteers stepping forward, H1 and H2 have safety and team manager roles filled as well. H1 has expressed an interest in the Giant's fundraiser, and H2 is preparing to register for a tournament. Everything seems to be under control.

7.13.2 **H3-4 (Tara):**

H3

Balancing games will take place the weekends of October 22 & 29th. I will contact Lynda to let her know and Kelly to organize refs.

When can we pick up goalie gear for the balancing games? Each team will need two sets. So 2 teams times 2 = 4 sets of gear being needed.

All our team officials have been signed up. I will send another list of team officials to Janet when I'm back.

H4

Balancing games will take place on the weekends of October 21, 22 & Oct. 28th & 29th. I will contact Lynda to let her know and Kelly to organize refs.

When can we pick up goalie gear for the balancing games? Each team will need two sets. So 3 teams times 2 = 6 sets of gear being needed.

All our team officials have been signed up except for 1 more Safety Person. I want to have 2 Safety for each team as not all the parents are able to be there for all the practices and the games. I will send another list of team officials to Janet when I'm back.



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The coaches from H3 & H4 teams love the new mini-nets and are very thankful that the association bought them!

Question about the referee development games. Should managers be asking other associations to play these games or are the games set up by the association?

7.13.3 Atom (Lara):

Thank you to Janet for fixing the rosters and for everyone that helped out during the balancing process.

Atom A1 team second round selections went well. Two goalies, 14 skaters, 6 taxi squad began practice October 13.

Two Atom C teams: Each team has two goalies and 15 skaters. We had three balancing games and coaches were settled with the squads at the end of game three. At the league level, Atom C1 is in the Blue Group and Atom C2 is in the Gold Group. There was a coach/manager for each C team at the PCAHA meeting, NWMHA coach meeting, and NWMHA Managers meeting. Atom C2 players and team officials attended the Canucks vs Flames game on Saturday October 14th.

I will continue to support managers and have directed coach-related issues to Jeff N, as Coach Coordinator. Janet please keep me or the team managers posted on certification needs for the team officials.

7.13.4 Pee wee (Nancy):

A big thank you to Rob and Jeff for all the help.

It has been a very busy several weeks. The A team is underway with their league placement games and the three C teams have played a total of four balancing games each. The C teams appear to be balanced, but nothing is confirmed until the league balancing games are completed.

The league balancing games have started this past week and will continue for the next four weeks. For the most part the balancing process went well.

7.13.5 Bantam (Danielle):

All teams finalized.

One skater has already moved up off the waiting list.

Coaches settled for C teams.

Jersey sizing is an issue.



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7.13.6 Midget (Greg):

Midget A1 team finished as runners up in Kamloops.

Mann cup was a challenge, but we deal with it as best we could and got our work done. My thanks to Lynda for her over the top efforts in getting us as much ice as she could. Great work in very challenging conditions. Thanks to Jeff and Rob for their help in the tryout process and for filling in for me while I was away.

TRYOUTS:

40+skaters 4 goalies

Process went fairly smooth, some challenges arranging coaches for tryouts, but that's par for the course.

Divided the players into 3 groups for skill assessment each player was given one skill session, at the end of the skill session we released three to four players and then played two tryout games. After the games, in consultation with RPM and Viet, it was decided we had enough talent, depth and goaltending to have an A2 team. Once that was decided, we needed to find a coach. There was some confusion in the communication between our newly arrived coach from Chilliwack, Larry Ling, and myself but in the end Larry was keen to have an A2 team and we are glad he has taken it on with passion.

At this point we released down to 20+ A1 players, with the remaining players being assigned to the A2 tryout process. After a week or so of games A1 coach Shawn Hagan released 3 players to the A2 with 2 more released the following week setting his team for the season. A2 coach Larry Ling worked efficiently to get games going with the players he had and after a couple weeks he was able to release the players needed and set his team. Both teams are playing placement games and setting up for the season.

A1 exhibition results 5W – 3L

Currently 2 - 0 in placement

A2 exhibition results 2W – 3L – 1T

Currently 1 – 1 in placement

C team process:

3 teams of 17 skaters and one goalie – Pending two transfers.

The Mann cup pushed everything back, providing some challenges in getting coaches out to the warm up skates in early Sept. Thankfully, Brad Semkew, and Larry Ling stepped up every time and Coach James Musgrave was a big help as well. One of the challenges I had this fall was a heavy travel schedule that basically saw me out of town for 4 out of 6 weeks. I was able to maintain some communication and direct players and coaches through the process, but it was difficult... We did our draft including all rep releases on Sept. 25th and began playing in-house balancing games Sunday Oct 1st.



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The in-house games have been pretty even, one team is clearly stronger, but the coaches feel comfortable with the teams. Coaches agree to make a couple changes for balancing and we're now pretty confident that the teams are balanced. Goaltending is an issue in C, we aren't particularly strong at that position, but again one goalie is stronger than the other two, and it makes it hard to balance.

C1

In-house games 3W – 1T (21 GF / 12 GA)

Balancing Games 0 – 1 (6 GF / 12 GA)

C2

In-house games 2T – 2L (20 GF / 27 GA)

Balancing Games 0 -2 (6 GF / 17 GA)

C3

In-house games 1W – 2L – 1T (22 GF / 24 GA)

No Balancing games as of Sunday.

Haven't had too many behavior issues. One suspension and one courtesy warning letter sent by me to a player that allegedly threatened other players from the penalty box.

I had some challenges getting access to Teamlink, but have access now.

One family had some difficulty understanding the tryout and release process; with Rob's help we were able to sort it out.

One goalie had some difficulty with the rep evaluations and missed his time....didn't matter as Viet was at the games and the goalie ended up in the right spot.

One family was unhappy about a balancing move; however they did agree and will make the best of it.

Teams are looking at tournaments, A2 has one in November in Revelstoke, all teams are aware of their commitment to the Herb House tournament.

7.13.7 Juvenile (Jennifer):

Here's the last Juvenile Report for October 2017:

The Juvenile team for the 2017-18 season folded as there were not enough players to form a team. The 7 players & 1 goalie were given the opportunity to play Juvenile C either in Richmond or Surrey. There was only an option to play Juvenile A2 at North Vancouver. There was only one player that showed an interest in going to Richmond.



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7.13.8 Past President (Ross):

- 8 **Tentative date of Next Meeting:** Nov 20, Monday (new North Meeting Room 1)
- 9 **Adjournment:** MOTION: Desiree **SECONDED:** Kelly