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EXECUTIVE MEETING September 9, 2019 7 pm Queens Park Arena Boardroom Agenda

1. Roll call: Jeff, Jennifer, Kelly, Bill, Christiana, Desiree, Kurt, Lynda, Tom, Frank, Mike, Sarah, Nancy, Mark L, Brad, Mark S, Greg, Janet
2. Regrets: Rob, Jason
3. Adoption of Minutes: 1st Mark L, 2nd Kelly
4. Business arising: House teams October 15th start, first round will be six games. League will start after that then there will be fifteen games. Fourteen game playoff format top two play for banner.
5. Correspondence:
6. New Business:
7. Reports:

7.1 President (Jeff):

7.2 1st Vice President (Tom):

VP1 report:

Sponsorship for this season is coming along nicely, so far we have six returning sponsors and one new one. Were still waiting to hear back from a few more from last year at this point. We have also just ordered new window decals, they should be here next week.

7.3 2nd Vice President (Desiree):

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Tournament Coordinator Report

All the tournament webpages have been updated to include:

- One-page tournament poster
- Tournament Application link

I have received 1 application so far as well as about 4 enquiries to please hold a spot



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All participants from last season have been contacted to invite them to return.

BC Hockey website addresses have been corrected.

I will be reaching out to many associations this week with tournament info as teams are starting to form.

I will touch base with the hockey shop later this month to start planning for Herb House in December.

7.4 3rd Vice President (Mark):

1. Picture Night is Tuesday, November 12 at QPA, 4pm-9pm. Same photographer, same process as past years, although hopefully with less forms to be completed this year.
2. I'm preparing speaking notes for the Coaches' and Managers' meetings to address safety issues. If anyone has specific points they think I should be raising please let me know.
3. We were not able to convene an HCSP meeting last year - we will try again this year.
4. I'll be working with our Janet over the next couple of months to keep tabs on qualifications and to push team officials to get their qualifications completed asap.
5. I'm reviewing the links and forms on the website as they relate to safety/injuries to make sure they are current. Related question - who is responsible for going through the entire website regularly (annually?) to make sure that it is current?
6. Do we want to revisit our current supplemental discipline policy (see Policy 5.1, sections A.6) or are we still satisfied with it?

7.5 Treasurer (Kurt):

We have received our Gaming Grant approval for \$70,000. The funds have been auto deposited into our Gaming Bank Account in September.



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MOTIONS:

1. Motion to cover up to \$900 per team for one sanctioned tournament entry fee except for Tyke Minor for the 2019/2020 season.

Adoption: 1st Kurt, 2nd Bill

2. Motion to cover up to \$450 per team for one Tyke Minor jamboree for the 2019/2020 season.

Adoption: 1st Kurt, 2nd Desiree

3. Motion to cover up to \$100 per team for coaching supplies reimbursable with receipts.

Adoption: 1st Kurt, 2nd Nancy

We currently have about 28 players who have not paid or made arrangements for their registrations fees. The amount totals \$14,460. I will send each Division Manager who has not paid to follow up with each family.

7.6 Secretary (Mark): Nothing to report

7.7 Coach Coordinator (Mike):

Coach Coordinator August 2019 Report

Great participation from coaches to volunteer for the warm up skates and tryouts. Coaches all showed up for their respected times/dates and it ran very smoothly. RPM and Viet's did all evaluations for all divisions in the tryouts and all evaluation sheets were collected after each event by Division managers.

At this time there is no decision on an Atom A2 or Bantam A2 team based off evaluators.

An active sheet for update is still out for "C" Coaches to all Division managers. I expect this to be quite filled up before the end of this week due to the completion of the tryouts. Currently only the Peewee, Bantam and Midget Head Coaches have been selected.

-I received quite several interested coaches in the final weeks of Aug. and I've forwarded them the requirements to complete qualifications.

-Motions for Consideration:

- Edit Policy on mileage reimbursements for **Assistant** Non-Parent Coaches to also receive other than only the **Head** Non-Parent Coaches



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To be left as a trial for this year, to be looked at it at the January meeting.

- Edit Policy typo correction:
POLICY 2.1 STAGE 1: DIVISION TALENT ASSESSMENT CAMP
5. All players trying out for an “A” team must attend all skills/evaluation session(s). Injured and late participants are addressed in policy 2.3 [“Need to change this to 2.4

Motion to change: 1st Mike, 2nd Bill

POLICY 2.4 LATE PARTICIPANTS TO TRYOUTS AND INJURIES

1. Players who enter “A” tryouts after the start of exhibition play (whether due to late registration, injury or other cause) or who are injured before playing two tryout games shall tryout for the “A2” team for a minimum of two ice times before being assigned to a team. Where there is no “A2” team or equivalent in the division, the player will be assigned to a “C” team for evaluation.
- Looking at BC Hockey for Coaching Skills Clinics available for this season. Will update once a date has been locked in.
 - Attended the BC Hockey Coach Coordinator meeting on August 15th. An intro to the new Atom Pathway pilot program was discussed. Once coaches are selected by Atom Division manager the documentation will be forwarded to the coaches for the pilot program.
 - Information was disclosed to all full-time goalies from Atom to Midget about the changes this year to the timing of the Saturday Goalie Clinic’s. The intent of the change was to get more participation from the older groups to attend them. All communications so far with various goalie parents is that they like the change very much.
 - No Atom, Peewee, or Midget A2 teams

Discuss around Bantam A2 the subcommittee didn’t not vote unanimously for or against. The executive discussed about an A2 team.

For – 1

Against – 11

Abstention – 4

Absent - 2



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7.8 Ice Allocator (Lynda):

Working with the Division Managers to ensure the startup ice all gets used and we are trying to get in rep exhibition games so they may do their final cuts and are starting the house team evaluations. I am away from September 11 – 24th inclusive and won't be spending much time, if any on my emails so want to have everything lined up before I go. Communication with Ron Booth should go through her not directly.

7.9 Equipment Manager (Jason):

Try out pinnies have been handed out to rep teams.
2 goalies have signed out equipment one in pee wee and one bantam.
H1-atom goalie gear to be handed out to coaches in the weeks to come.
Order of new / replacement jerseys has come in and I am in the process of going through and hanging up in their divisions
A partial order of socks is in and am waiting on remainder of junior expected late sept. But I believe there are enough juniors for this season.
Red / white Rep jersey have been handed out or will be in the next day or two
The rest of jerseys will be going out in the upcoming weeks
Are u looking for on ice helpers. I have been contacted by and ex NWMHA player looking to get involved with young goalies. He helped out 3-4 years ago after school with my sons H2 team. And has been a student of Ron Veit while he was playing

On another note I am sorry to say that I will be stepping down from the equipment mngr role due to a relocation.

I am happy to help out until the end of this month as jerseys and equipment go out

7.10 Registrar (Janet):

7.11 Referee-in-Chief (Bill):

7.12 Referee Allocator (Kelly):

REFEREE ALLOCATOR / RIC REPORT



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We spent most of the weekend at the arena during Rep Tryouts and the reffing seemed to go fine. There was not a problem getting spots filled.

We have 11 individuals interested in becoming new officials.

The clinic for new officials will be on October 6th at QPA starting at 9am and ending at 5pm. It will consist of a 5-hour class time and a 1-hour ice time. We are just waiting to find out the ice time that Lynda will be securing for us and for BC Hockey to send me the link and I will send it to the officials to sign up.

Division Managers:

1. Tyke (Brad): Nothing to report

2. Novice (Sarah):

So far, H3- 24 kids, H4- 25 kids.

Warm-up skates went well.

Working on coordinating coaches/managers/safety but looking good.

There was a question about all the paperwork that gets filled out- is there any way to have it sent out to be completed with registration going forward? Past manager suggested this as it is difficult to get them from families once teams are made.

3. Atom (Christiana): NWMHA Atom September 2019 Report

This week we started Rep Try-outs. We have a group of 19 players and 2 goalies going forward to play 2-4 exhibition games this week and next.

RPM has not recommended a A2 team for Atom and given the lack of goalies we wouldn't be able to do it anyways.

House evaluations are happening Sept 10 and 12 at morning practices.

Balancing games will begin Sept 14 and will likely go 2-3 weeks, given we have 4 house teams.

A couple coaches have expressed interest in head coaching house teams.

4. Pee wee (Frank):

We have 43 kids registered. 38 players and 5 goalies. The A1 team will take 13 players, 5 taxi kids and one goalie. One C team will have 13 players and 2 goalies, the other C team will have 12 and 2.



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Our coaches will be Ron Conner with TBA and the other team will be coached by Amanda Semenoff and JD Jessom.

I am also pleased to report that I had lots of parents step up to help out and more offers to sort through. We have two experienced and excellent managers in place as well as safety people.

5. Bantam (Nancy):

Bantam tryouts have started and are running smoothly. We had 31 players and 4 goalies trying out for this upcoming season. After two sessions, we are going into the weekend with 24 players and 4 goalies for the remaining two tryout games.

I am currently working on confirming coaches and assistant coaches for the three C teams. I hope to run evaluations starting next week.

6. Midget (Greg):

Midget Report
September 9 2019

Apologies for my absence the last few months, holidays and work conspired to keep me away from my hockey duties. I want to thank Jeff and Janet for keeping things rolling while I was away.

Midget Division for 2019 will consist of 3 teams. 1 A team and 2 x C teams, we are currently looking at teams of 17, 18 and 18 the two C teams are over rostered and if all players were to show up one player will need to sit. My understanding is the over rostering is a by-product of NWMHA policy that all players registered on or before May 31st will have a place to play.

There was a fair amount of stress and strain leading into the season as we had a waitlist of veteran players, players from out of the district, female players looking to move to other association rep teams, and players trying out for Minor and Major Midget teams. The final numbers are not quite set as we are still waiting on the completion of the female rep team selections. Currently, we have two resident players on the waitlist, and two out of district players looking to come back to New West. We had one resident waitlist player elect to play in Coquitlam.



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The bulk of the problem stems from people not registering when they are asked to do so, and unfortunately, it is usually the same people year in and year out. As a Division Manager, it's very frustrating hearing the comments from the late applicants as they don't seem to understand their role in the process. Every eligible Midget player received emails asking them to register, emails warning of waitlists, even targeted emails to missing families directly telling them to register or be put on the waitlist. Still, some of the waitlist families feel or felt they were mistreated or that more could have been done, or that everyone knew they were going to play and a spot should have been held for them.

I felt terrible for the kids that were or are in limbo, and wonder if there is more we can do? Unfortunately, we will always have people that assume they have a spot and that the association has a responsibility to cater to their needs.

Once the teams are established, I'll send an email to all Midget division families outlining the struggles of this past registration and encourage them to be more proactive in the registration process for next season.

Coaches:

I'm thrilled to say we have Larry Ling is back as our A team head coach. Bill Corbet has volunteered to help Larry with the A team, with the remaining assistants filled out once the team is selected.

Dale Anderson and Dino Galizia will be the C team Head Coaches, with assistants and managers selected once the teams are picked.

This year I will pay close attention to the needs of the various team admin staff to ensure everyone has the proper paperwork and documentation. We don't want a repeat of last year.

As a follow, up from my last report; the AGM raised questions around referee allocations. Are we able to have a more transparent view of this process? Are we able to have a running table showing who is refereeing, how many games are offered, and how many received?

Thank you, Lynda, for moving one of the midget practices to a later time. From my perspective, it would be great to have all Midget practices in that time slot, much easier for coaches and players.



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7. Juvenile (Jennifer):

The first Juvenile skate is Sunday 9:15pm @ MPA.

There was a flurry of registrations in the last few weeks.

Juvenile is full with 23 skaters & 2 goalies.

As of Friday, Sept. 6 there is a waitlist of 4 players.

I will be sending out an e-mail to players who have not paid & so numbers will likely be different by next week.

Dwight Noda is the Head Coach again for this 2019-20 season.

8. Past President (Rob): Nothing to report

Tentative date of Next Meeting:

Monday October 7, 2019

Queens Park Arena Boardroom 7:00pm

Adjournment: 9:15pm