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EXECUTIVE MEETING February 11, 2019 7 pm Queens Park Arena Breakaway Room Agenda

1. Roll call: Jeff, Tom, Dez, Mark L, Kurt, Mike, Sarah, Nancy, Greg, Bill, Kelly, Jennifer, Rob
2. Regrets: Mark, Tara, Danielle, Eric
3. Adoption of Minutes: 1st Mark L, 2nd Nancy
4. Business arising:
5. Correspondence:
6. New Business:
7. Reports:

7.1 President (Jeff): Presidents Report.

Attend PCAHA President meeting. Large discussion on Major Bantam and other Zone teams. Cost was originally \$6900 now closer to \$12000 per year. Lack of communication between BC Hockey and Assn. 48 hrs notice was given for First meeting to general public, but had 4wks notice.

Attended WHL game Sat with a couple pro scouts and talk about skill development. Biggest thing they are looking for his Hockey intelligence, followed by small area play.

I have completed first draft of a new Suspension Policy. Will send out for March meeting to discuss and a motion. No looking at Long term development for Tyke through Peewee to improve our skill set and to prepare kids to move on to the next level. Will have a draft in March or April.
Also Hope to have a plan set up with RPM to help coaches transition in Oct with their team skills set and Hockey knowledge.

Just gathering info from the groups that have attend RPM Skills Session, Forward and Defence Clinics, and the Checking and Battle Clinic. Also will be discussing and handing a few things over to Mike and have him reach out to Viet.

Attended PCAHA President C meeting large topic Refs Development, seem a lot of teams across the lower mainland have now started, but unfortunately very little Ref development being done, they are using it to play games. PCAHA has sent an email for



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all games to stop between other assn. But will allow Teams from their own assn. to play development games with each other. They are drafting a letter that will allow smaller assn. to pair up so they have a few options for these games.

Team Store has been a great success according to The Hockey Shop. It has succeeded their expectation to date.

As we move into the final month of the season and start to look forward to next season please bring ideas to the group by email.

Last looking for someone to write a draft for team managers on team fees, one for Rep and one for C.

7.2 1st Vice President (Tom): Nothing to report

7.3 2nd Vice President (Desiree):

Tournament Coordinator Report for February 2019

- Al Hughes Memorial Tournament - March 16-19th 2019 QPA & MPA
 - There are 9 teams participating 3 Cloverdale teams, Lake Cowichan, Mission, Burnaby, Chilliwack and 2 New West teams. All teams have paid. I was hoping to get 1 more team registered, but it didn't happen before the deadline.
- Bobby Love Memorial Tournament - March 16-19th 2019 QPA & MPA
 - We have 8 teams participating in this tournament 7 of them are from President's league (3 New West, 3 Burnaby, 1 Van T-Birds) and we have 1 Cloverdale team. All teams have paid.
- The schedule is done for the tournament and has been sent to all teams and posted on the website. I have also attached it to my report.
- I need to send the list of referees to PCAHA this week.
- I have requested the referee money from Kurt.
- I will be sending the game info to PCAHA within the next few days.
- I will be getting the volunteer schedules done very soon as well.
- I'm also working on securing the intermission prize sponsorship and various other prizes.
- We will be giving out T-Shirts, Hockey Sacks, Sunglasses and Souvenir Programs to all players as Swag.



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- The next tournament committee meeting for the Al Hughes and Bobby Love Tournaments will be the week of Feb 18th-22nd - I expect a representative from each of the Atom C and Pee wee C teams to attend.

7.4 3rd Vice President (Mark):

A short report for me this month:

1. Jeff and I are reviewing our supplemental discipline policy to address some gaps in the current language. We are aiming to bring that forward to the Board in March. We have some ongoing issues in Midget with serious penalties (although not to the extent of the last couple of years).
2. None of the DMs have reported any serious injuries to me. DMs should continue to check periodically with their team managers about incidents of serious injuries and report back to me whether any have occurred.
3. Awards - I'll be emailing the DMs this week regarding the requests for nominations. Submissions will be due by Sunday, March 17 and we'll be aiming to make our decisions by Sunday, April 3. The Awards Committee consists of VP3, Pee wee DM, Bantam DM, Midget DM, Juvenile DM and Coach Coordinator. We'll need to coordinate availability over Spring Break.

7.5 Treasurer (Kurt): TREASURER'S REPORT

Please find attached the Operating Statements for the period ended January 31, 2019.

New Westminister Minor Hockey Association ("NWMHA") received a cheque for \$2,871.50 from the Vancouver Giants for an unclaimed 50/50 prize when NWMHA was fundraising at their game on Feb 3, 2017.

NWMHA received the 2018 City of New Westminister Amateur Sport Grant cheque for \$7,500. NWMHA also received the approval letter for the 2019 City of New Westminister Amateur Sport Grant which includes a \$200 Administration Grant. In 2019, NWMHA has been approved to submit receipts/expenses for a grant up to \$6,500 in various programs including: coaching clinics; referee courses/clinics; equipment and travel costs. NWMHA must contribute 50% of each of these costs.



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Division Managers please remind your Team Managers that they need to submit to the Treasurer the following reports before March 31, 2019:

- referee allocation report (see attachment)
- team financials/accounting (see below and attached budget)

POLICY 4.5

TEAM MANAGER/TREASURER ACCOUNTING REQUIREMENTS

1. All team managers are to be installed by the Head Coach of the team and then ratified by the parents.
2. The team manager/treasurer must keep a record of incoming and outgoing monies, including but not limited to 50/50 monies and fund-raising monies.
3. Receipts for expenditures are to be retained.
4. Team monies are to be kept separate from personal funds by means of a cash box, bank account or envelope.
5. The team manager/treasurer will make available a copy of the financial statement on request by a team parent.
6. **The team treasurer will submit a copy of the Financial Statement including receipts, to the Treasurer of the NWMHA a minimum of ten days prior to the Annual General Meeting.**
7. If team clothing is to be purchased, a vote of poll of the parents must be taken and no one with a vested interest in the acquisition of such clothing may conduct the poll or vote.
8. **Surplus unspent funds at the end of the season may be returned to the parents, contributed to a charity or donated to the New Westminister Minor Hockey Association at the determination of the parents of the players on the team, by majority vote.**

7.6 Secretary (Mark): Nothing to report



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7.7 Coach Coordinator (Mike):

Midget A head coach had serious concerns with a selected few players. Board members have been involved to find resolutions for the coach to continue coaching the team.

Midget C coach voluntarily stepped down due to concerns from several parents on the team. Mostly coach was not following coaches code of conduct.

I visited at least 1 game for each of the Bantam teams. All coaches are fairly happy with their teams. There seems to be a common ground with all coaches on serious and multiple penalties. Usually same players on each team.

One House coach had an injury (not at hockey) and cannot be on ice for remainder of the season. He is however coaching from the bench for practice.

PeeWee coaches are happy with their teams. A2 team had a parent with concerns with coaching that was addressed with myself as mediator but since the player had an injury (not at hockey) that has him out for remainder of season. Parent and player has not been back since.

Atom coaches are enjoying the season thus far. I have not heard of any concerns. Atom C coach had to step down as head coach due to BC hockey qualification requirements. Although frustrated with the process did not hesitate in allowing assistant coach to take over as head coach. He will sort out requirements in the off season.

7.8 Ice Allocator (Lynda): Ice Allocator Report

All conflicts are rescheduled for the moment. Will just need to work in the rep playoffs when we get down to the wire.

7.9 Equipment Manager (Kevin): Nothing to report

7.10 Registrar (Janet): Nothing to report

7.11 Referee-in-Chief: (Bill): See below

7.12 Referee Allocator (Kelly):



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Referee Allocator's Report

This month has been very confusing with the new schedules coming out and a lot of teams going into tournaments and games having to be rescheduled.

I did miss scheduling officials for one Pee Wee C game this weekend due to the flurry of emails being sent and was able to get Bill to the game so that they could still play. He did it on his own, but the game was played.

I have been posting quite a few games without game numbers for the Novice Major and Novice Minor games because I have not been receiving the game numbers. I haven't been too worried about it because at least my new officials have been getting out on the ice.

Referee development has been a nightmare. Not for the young officials but just getting everyone on the same page for the games. The weekend of the Feb. 9th and 10th was really confusing as the two games had been cancelled and then the Feb. 10th game was then again rescheduled. I caused confusion for the officials and for myself, but the Sunday game went ahead as planned.

I have had to send out an email about the "STOP" signs on the back of the jerseys. We had an incident where one of our officials let a player play in a game in a practice jersey with taped on numbers and no "STOP" sign on the back of the jersey play.

PACIFIC COAST AMMATUR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION CONTITUTION, BY-LAWS REFEREE EDITION (PAGE 9/10)

5. To focus attention on the dangers of checking an opponent from behind, it shall be mandatory for all PCAHA-registered players to wear the "Stop Sign" patch above the number on the backs of their sweaters, effective October 31, 1998. Any PCAHA-registered player not wearing the regulation size "Stop Sign" patch shall not be permitted to participate in any PCAHA sanctioned game. Referees are instructed to check each player at the start of each game for compliance. Note to Officials re. "Stop Sign" Patches: The Referee should report any non-compliance with the "Stop Sign" patch rule in writing to the respective PCAHA Managing Director c/o the PCAHA Office (see page 15).

As of this weekend all but one of the new officials have hit the ice. Bill will be giving me a list of who is ready to officiate in the Atom C games along with being partnered up with stronger more experienced officials. With this I was also thinking that it might be a good idea to offer a shadow out on the ice during these games as well. I would like to ask that I be allowed to offer this to a few officials during these particular games and in order to be able to pay them for this I be given an amount of money to be able to disperse to them at the time. I will keep a log of who is getting payed etc. just like the teams do for paying the referee at the end of the season and I will then return what ever is left over. I do believe this would cause less stress on the managers of the teams and it would be less emails going back and forth and being missed. I would just need Tara to communicate to the Atom division that they may have shadows at their



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games. The shadows will just need to introduce themselves to both teams and let them know that they are shadowing.

I have approximately 30 officials that I can offer shifts too for the up coming Spring Tournament and will be sending an email out to them to see if they will be available for that weekend.

When I get the names of who will be available, I will then pass these names off to Desiree.

I would also like to make note that Bill and I will not be here for the start of the Spring Tournament but we will be here for the end. We are taking a trip to Virginia to watch our son play Field Lacrosse for his school.

Division Managers:

1. H1-2 (Eric): Nothing major to report.
2. H3-4 (Sarah): Nothing to report
3. Atom (Tara): Nothing to report
4. Peewee (Nancy): Nothing to report
5. Bantam (Danielle): **Bantam Division Manager Report**

League Game Results:

Team	Win	Loss	Tie
C1	9	3	4
C2	2	10	4
A1	8	9	3

Play Off Game Results to Date:

Team	Win	Loss	Tie
C1	2		



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C2		1	1
A1		1	

Have seen some improvement on the A1 team with penalties when the coach has been made aware of actual penalty minutes and types and by empowering him to sit players in games, and also talk with them one on one about penalty minutes. Most kids / coaches and parents were truly unaware and surprised at the accumulated total number of minutes and I would encourage the practice of reviewing penalty minutes with coaches / players during the season.

Bantam C1 and C2 are both sitting 3rd in their respective playoff pools. Top 2 teams go on to the Champion Day on March 10th.

6. Midget (Greg):

Playoffs are underway for all Midget teams.

C teams

The C regular season finished without much excitement, however the playoff brought about a new round of intensity and some concern.

Regular season results:

NW C1 3rd in Gold (2nd of 3) 11- 4 – 3 15 Spt 85GF 62GA 160 Pim

NW C2 5th in Green (3rd of 3) 11-6 – 1 13 Spt 98GF 69GA 196 Pim

NW C3 8th in Green (3rd of 3) 7 – 11 Spt. 15 68GF 81GA 166 Pim

NW C1 has been placed in the Green Playoff group 3 of 6 groups

NW C2 & C3 placed in White group 6 of 6

The PCAHA Midget league manager has again made some very curious decisions on team placements, this time for the playoffs. The understanding I have is that sportsmanship points aren't part of the selection, the groupings are focused on actual win-loss records. I'm having a hard time understanding the logic behind some of the placements, and I'm not alone on this confusion. New West C3 has a fair case to be made that they should not be in the same group as New West C2 however when



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NWMHA and others inquired about the moves and the process the PCAHA stood behind the League manager. Unfortunately, this is not the first issue we've had with our League manager and the placement of teams. The first league set up had to be scrapped and re-done as it was completely messed up the first time around. Regardless the teams are placed and playing games, that's the important part.

A-Team

Regular Season.

As you are all aware, the A team has had many challenges this year, and these continued through the end of the regular season. Two players are suspended pending a review for their behavior both in the game and within the team and with the coaches.

One player took a series of penalties through the game and at the end resulting in a four-game suspension from the league and an additional two games from NWMHA and the team. The player's behavior through the year has been an issue, but he has not been suspended before this incident.

The second player is well known to the suspension process and is a constant problem within the teams he plays on and within the association in general. In the dressing room post-game the player engaged in a profanity-laced tirade against the head coach in front of all his teammates and the coaching staff. This isn't the first time this player has shown blatant disrespect for coaches and volunteers, he has a consistent history of this type of behavior and has shown no ability to change regardless of the suspensions or other actions taken by the league and association.

The real tragedy to all of this is the head coach has reached the end of his rope; he can't continue with this team as it is, in particular with these two players. The coach has given us a choice; we can suspend the players for the rest of the year, or he will leave the team. Personally, this is very upsetting; the coach is a nonparent volunteer that has given his time to our association, at a time when we really need it. There are no parent volunteers for this group, and I can't blame them, there are players in the group that are uncoachable and the families behind them are often complicit in the behavior.

I feel this is a black mark on NWMHA, as we were unable to deal with the player and his family in a way that supported the goals and objectives of the association, the coach, his staff, and the team members. If you were a volunteer looking to coach why would you offer to help an association that wasn't able to support past coaches.



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Regular Season Results:

NW A1 2nd in Flight 4 of 4 12 – 6 – 2 15 Spt. 82GF 45GA 308 Pim 2nd most in the flight and in the top 10 of the entire A division

Playoffs begin Feb. 14th in Aldergrove. 1 game elimination round. Winner move on loser goes to Presidents round.

8. Juvenile (Jennifer):

League play ended with NW Juvenile C 3rd in the Blue Division.
After 16 GP 14 W 4L for 35 points. Lost 4 sportsmanship points.
All 4 loses were to South Delta & Semiahmoo C2

1st place South Delta with 15W & 1L for 44 points. Only lost 2 sportsmanship points.
2nd place Semiahmoo C2 with 14W & 2 L for 39 points. Lost 4 sportsmanship points.

Presidents C League Playoffs has NW in the top grouping with South Delta, Semiahmoo C2, Cloverdale, Surrey & Abbotsford C2.

Played 1st playoff game against Surrey & NW won 5-2. The officiating was very one sided for Surrey but NW still got their sportsmanship point.

8. Past President (Rob): Nothing to report

Tentative date of Next Meeting:

Monday March 11, 2018

Queens Park Arena Breakaway room

Adjournment: 8:30pm

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