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New Westminister Minor Hockey Association

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EXECUTIVE MEETING November 14, 2018

7 pm Queens Park Breakaway Room

Agenda

1. Roll call: Mark, Jeff, Lynda, Dez, Bill, Nancy, Jennifer, Eric, Kurt, Mark L, Rob, Kelly, Tara, Greg, Danielle, Tom, Janet
2. Regrets: Mike, Sarah, Kevin
3. Adoption of Minutes: 1st Mark L, 2nd Jennifer
4. Business arising: Digital game sheet is being postponed until the new year
5. Correspondence:
6. New Business: Hockey wear sales are looking good the hockey shop is very happy.
7. Reports:

7.1 President (Jeff):

7.2 1st Vice President (Tom): All sponsorship money is in except for one and now working on a sponsorship board to go on display at all of our tournament tables this year.

7.3 2nd Vice President (Desiree): Tournament Coordinator Report for Nov. 2018

- Tournament Updates
All the tournament applications were revised and the links went live on

Sept 16th. This is later than I would have liked as it was delayed with the update to the new website. There have been a few hiccups with having to update links on the BC Hockey website, and the new site having been down temporarily, but I think most of the kinks have been worked out. I have sent out 2 tweets, the first when the applications were live on our site and the second this past weekend encouraging teams to register soon.

☐☐Herb House Tournament

♣ I hosted the first Herb House Memorial Tournament Committee



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- Meeting on Monday October 29th 2018 - the 3 C teams all had representatives

♣ A Division - We will not have an A division due to no registration. Thankfully the A team was accepted into the Richmond Tournament during that same time period. (Note: the Richmond tournament is not limited to a certain number of teams) This will mean that they will not be assisting in our tournament with volunteers and will not be contributing to the raffle table. I have updated the BC Hockey tournament application as well as the NWMHA website to reflect the change.

♣ C Division - We will expand the C division by 2 teams. Now at 11 teams, I have had recent interest from two others so I am hopeful we will fill the 12th spot. Participating teams: Surrey C1, C2 and C4, Port Coquitlam C1 and C4, Cloverdale C7, Ridge Meadows C5, Burnaby C4, New West C1, C2, C3. All teams so far are paid except for New West C1.

♣ I have decided to stick with the 4 game round robin format, I don't want to add additional round robin games to add strain to the volunteers. There will be 2 consolation games for teams finishing in 3rd and 4th in each pool. These games allow a break between the semi finals and final games. I have sent a request to Lynda to have all games at QPA. This will eliminate the additional need for head table volunteers at MPA and will provide more evening time and scorekeeping opportunities which would be easier for working parents. This is also better for Midget teams in general.

♣ SWAG: T-Shirts same as last year, Skate towels, sunglasses, MVP Towels - slight change to ivory instead of white. Towels discolour after time so this will help them stay looking better for longer.

♣ Program: Same rates as previous years. Any teams selling ads above the \$500 threshold will share revenue 50/50 with NWMHA, New this year: Shout out ads will be available from Nov 23-30th for \$25 each.

♣ Raffle Table: It was discussed that it would be best for teams to each do a minimum of 2 baskets at a \$100 min value if possible. Desirée has sourced some additional raffle items for the table. Jamberry, Bootlegger, Hockey Shop

☐☐AI Hughes Tournament

♣ I have applications from: 2 Cloverdale teams, Lake Cowichan,



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Mission, Juan de Fuca, Burnaby, Port Coquitlam and Chilliwack. Cloverdale, Lake Cowichan, and Mission have sent payment and are confirmed. All 10 spots are filled and payment is expected to be coming from the remaining non-New West Teams soon. I have emailed the local teams letting them know that they can drop off at Moody Park Arena if they would rather not chance Canada Post.

☐☐ Bobby Love Tournament

♣ I have now received 7 applications for the tournament. 4 from

outside associations. Vancouver T-Birds are paid. Cloverdale and 2 Burnaby MHA teams sent applications, but they noted they were checking to see if there was space. There have also been emails from Abbotsford and Cloverdale expressing interest. I am waiting to hear back from follow up emails.

7.4 3rd Vice President (Mark L):

1. I'm working with Jeff to update the VP3 Handbook. That is close to being done.
2. I've been working with Jeff to update the links and forms on the website as they relate to safety/injuries.
3. I plan to schedule an HCSP meeting in late November or early December once all teams have HCSP personnel in place.
4. Picture Night is (or was, for the purposes of the meeting on Wednesday) November 13; hopefully, that goes well.
5. We are closely monitoring the Midget C penalty situation. The Executive should discuss whether it wants to give itself the flexibility to impose additional sanctions (over and above the league requirements) for major penalties or the accumulation of penalties (whether only for Midget or for all divisions).

7.5 Treasurer (Kurt): TREASURER'S REPORT See attached:

7.6 Secretary (Mark): Nothing to report

7.7 Coach Coordinator (Mike): Coach Coordinator November report:

Development 1 coaches clinic was held on Oct 27 and 28th. Glen Mulcahy was the instructor from BC hockey. Thank you to Lynda for arranging the on ice time for the clinic.



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It was extremely successful with full attendance of 25. Of that there were 9 NWMHA coaches that were signed up but 1 coach couldn't attend and reassigned to a different clinic site/date.

I was getting overwhelmed with inquiries to attend the course from different associations so going forward it would be highly recommended to have another one for next season.

I'm also inquiring for BC Hockey skills coaching clinics and just waiting for availability dates.

7.8 Ice Allocator (Lynda):

7.9 Equipment Manager (Kevin): Not much to report other than I probably have a replacement his name is Jason Smith, his son is H4 so he could be around for a long time.

7.10 Registrar (Janet):

7.11 Referee-in-Chief: (Bill):

7.12 Referee Allocator (Kelly):

Referee Allocator/RIC Report

New Westminister hosted the clinic for the new referees on Nov.3rd at QPA after having to reschedule from our original date of Oct.27th due to a conflict with the coach's clinic on that same day.

We would like to thank Ron Booth for his help in trying to help us find other accommodations for our attendees and for eventually holding the room for us in November after we were able to reschedule with BC Hockey. We would also like to thank Lynda for being so quick with getting us the ice time for the clinic.

We were able to offer spots to the three interested parties that were on the waiting list as there turned out to be three individuals that decided they were no longer interested in participating in the clinic.

We worked with BC Hockey to open our clinic to other associations after we knew all parties in New West had been given the opportunity to sign up for the clinic. Both Bill and I were receiving emails from various associations asking if we could accommodate a few of their kids. We eventually opened the clinic up to accommodate 35 spots; 30



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level 1; 5 level 2. We were also able to make our clinic available for returning referees that wanted to recertify for this year. This is something we would like to work on again for next year now that we know we are able to do this. With this, Kelly was able to recertify her level 2 at the same time as our new officials.

There were 21 registered New West officials, 18 of which attended. One of those is a new level 2 and then Kelly as a recertifying level 2. There were 3 individuals from Arbutus and two from Maple Ridge. In total we had 23 attend the clinic with 12 spots still left to fill in the end.

Now that we are aware that we are able to open up to new referees and returning referees, we believe that next year we will be able to have an even bigger and better turn out. We will still have to limit the spots to new referees for New West due to the lack of games that are available for them, but we will be able to help out some of the returning officials and possibly help out other associations as well.

All our new officials have been put into the assigning system and have been sent an invite to start requesting games. Kelly is now waiting for more Novice Major and Novice Minor games to become available and then Bill can go out and work with them.

H1-2 (Eric): Division Managers: Nothing to report for initiation/Tyke

Minor. For Tyke Major we are trying to figure out how to handle the new cross ice rules that were just announced which suggest we should split to two teams. This presents a few challenges for us and we are working with Jeff and Janet and the League Manager to figure out what we are going to do.

1. H3-4 (Sarah):H3 the balancing has been done for both H3 and H4
2. Atom (Tara): Atom November Report

A1 Team

This team has been put into Flight 2. They won their first game against Britannia and lost their second game to Burnaby Minor. It will be tough competition for this group as there are two BWC teams in it as well as a really good Thunderbirds team. As a whole, the team is working hard and the coaches are happy with the progress they are seeing on the ice.



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The A1 team has been accepted into the Port Moody December Tournament. Finding placements for tournaments was difficult as the tournaments were already booked before our team was finalized. As well many of the away tournaments were up in the interior and our families were not comfortable traveling during the winter to a tournament. This team is waiting for confirmation on the Coquitlam tournament which takes place on Family Day weekend.

Atom House

The teams have finished their balancing games and it was determined that all 3 house teams were balanced so no changes were to be made. The teams have started to play games in their new tiers. All three teams are entered into a local tournament plus our New West tournament.

C1- This team received a new player. She is an international player and has been out to several of the practices and games to date. She is an average skater and she fits in well with the team.

C2-This team will be receiving an international player once the paper work is approved and finalized.

C3-This team just received a new local player. He is new to the game of hockey but is keen to learn and is a hard worker.

3. Peewee (Nancy): The A teams have completed their placement games and they are moving on to league games - the A1 team will be playing in Flight 4 and the A2 team will be in Flight 9.

The A1 team participated in the Morgan Rielly Tournament at Hollyburn over the November long weekend. The tournament was well run - the kids and parents enjoyed participating in the tournament. Both A teams will be playing in the Chilliwack Peewee Jamboree December 27-30, 2018.

The C1 and C2 teams have completed their balancing games. Unfortunately, the PCAHA has deemed the two teams unbalanced. The association is working with the teams to find a resolution to the problem.

The C2 team participated in the Ice Breaker Tournament this past weekend.



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4. Bantam (Danielle): Our Bantam C teams are currently on notice as not being balanced with PCAHA.

We have submitted more documentation to help with the balancing process to PCAHA and have continued to monitor game statistics.

The biggest issue with regards to team balancing as it stands now relates to goalies and low player numbers as well as players not consistently showing up to practices and to games.

We had an international player released to the association a couple of weeks ago and based on his performance at an evaluation we placed him on the C2 team.

I will be submitting my final report to the team coaches and subsequently to PCAHA and we will need to see where it goes from there.

As an aside, we had an incident of a parent submitting a letter to the Bantam C League President complaining about the process leading up to team balancing. The letter was redirected back to the parent and CC'd to the association. We have dealt with this internally as it seemed many of the inaccuracies and accusations in the letter were being disseminated among parents and causing a lot of misunderstanding and subsequently unnecessary discontent.

5. Midget (Greg): Midget Report Nov. 2018

The PCAHA deemed the NW Midget C teams balanced, all three teams completed the balancing portion of the schedule and are awaiting the group assignments and the start of the regular season.





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Record (Misconducts, Majors, Match)	Goals for	Goals against	Serious Penalties
C1 5-5	63	59	0
C2 4-4-2	56	53	5
C3 3-6-1	32	49	4

*C1 goal numbers are skewed due to a 17-15 loss where both teams played without a goalie.

C3: Probably the strongest goaltending in the group but they've been missing their best offensive player most of the balancing schedule due to a concussion. There have been some parent concerns around C3, I will keep an eye on it. As usual there are no solutions or suggestions to solve the issues, just concerns.

C2: Is doing well except for some discipline problems. I've spoken to the coach and a couple players, will continue to monitor and work with the coach as needed. C2 raised concerns around the men's league team playing after them on Friday nights. According to C2, the men are smoking weed in the room before going on the ice and the smell and smoke are filtering out into the hall and the other rooms. I believe Jeff has spoken to the arena staff about it.

C1: Is rolling along fine, this past week saw the addition of the Japanese exchange student. Unfortunately, in the C1 V C2 balancing game one of the C1 players broke his leg after a body check into the boards. The player was penalized on the play and given a game misconduct. While the intent wasn't to break a leg, the hit was aggressive in nature, and a body check by any definition, the penalty was appropriate.

We've had some challenges with our league manager. She has concerns with how our managers are requesting AP call ups. I've been copied on most of the call ups and from what I see there are no issues. The rule and understanding as set out by the PCAHA and confirmed by the league manager are: If the proper process is followed and permission is granted by the coach and parents the team can assume the AP is approved. All our AP call ups have followed the process and have the proper



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permissions. The concern lies in the verbiage of the request. Seems like much ado about nothing...

A1: After the placement round the team was placed in flight 4 of 4. The coach has some concerns around the team, and has asked for a meeting with me, the coach coordinator, and the president. Team is having issues with player attitude, commitment, & availability, either through injury or outside commitments.

Placement	Goals For	Goals Against	Serious Penalties
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1-6-1	16	26	4
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League - Flight 4

2-0	7	2	
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6. Juvenile (Jennifer): The Juvenile C team has played 4 games: 3 wins & 1 loss. All the games have been blowouts, including the loss.

Won 7-2 vs Richmond

Lost 7-0 vs South Delta

Won 9- 1 vs Burnaby

Won 11- 2 vs Semiahmoo

One player received a 3 game suspension for intent to injure vs South Delta. There has been good player turn out to the games so far.

7. Past President (Rob): Nothing to report.

Attending PCAHA meeting the following week so will have something for December meeting.

Points of discussion:



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Tentative date of Next Meeting:

Monday December 10, 2018 Breakaway room

Monday January 10, 2018 Breakaway room

Adjournment: 1st Rob, 2nd Mark 8:41pm