

Richmond Munster Minor Hockey Association



AGM 2016

Thursday April 21st, 2016
7pm, Ag Hall

Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm by Roger Chapman.
Introduction of MC for the evening: Joe Milroy.

Introduction of Special Guests

Paul Ross- D4 Chair
Bob Perschick- Lifetime member
Hylton Joresson- West Carleton President

Introduction of the current Board of Directors

Motion to approve the minutes from AGM 2015

Moved by Colleen Jones, second by Jay Ferguson
All in favor: Unanimous

President's Message

Tyler Kerr Memorial Bursary Presentations

South Carleton recipient: Hunter MacDonald
Sacred Heart recipient: Jacob Mitchell

Presentation of Awards/Trophies

Award	Summary
Dana & Lila Smith Trophy (Graduating HD)	Most improved player Hockey Development Joshua Locke
Chuck Blanchard Memorial Trophy (Graduating Novice)	Most sportsmanlike/dedicated player Hana Jones

Tim Steele Enterprises Wee Loads Trophy (Graduating Atom)	Most sportsmanlike/dedicated player Connor McKellar
Tom Cowick Memorial Trophy (Graduating Peewee)	Most sportsmanlike/dedicated player Connor Cummings
Corky Longmire Memorial Trophy Bantam Trophy (Graduating Bantam)	Most sportsmanlike/dedicated player Justin Moorhouse
The Dave Candeline Trophy (Graduating Midget)	Most sportsmanlike/dedicated player Hunter MacDonald
RMMHA Goaltender of the Year	Rewarding excellence, sportsmanship and community spirit Aidan Fulcher
Kim Long Trophy (Referee of the Year)	Referee, who by example, promotes good sportsmanship in the game Billy Naphan
HD Coach of the Year	Coach providing dedication to player development at the HD level Tim Ralph
Lockie Hendsbee Trophy (Trainer of the Year)	Trainer providing special dedication to player health and safety Gordon Mitchell
RMMHA Manager of the Year	Manager providing special dedication to parents, players and coaches Stephanie Sample
Dwaine Barkley Memorial Volunteer of the Year	Individual demonstrating exceptional volunteer contributions at the team or association level Kim Peixoto
Dan Bujold Memorial Trophy (Coach of the Year)	Coach providing special dedication to player development and team play Tim Giles
The Dick Bissonnette Memorial Trophy (Long Standing Service)	Awarded for outstanding service and dedication to the RMMHA Bobbi Chapman

Motions for Amendments

Motion #1: Voted in Favor by members

Amendment to: Article 8: Protection of Directors

Any Executive, who in the their role/duties on the RMMHA Executive, travels outside of the RMMHA boundaries is eligible to be reimbursed mileage at \$0.45 per KM (yearly maximum of \$1,000) ensuring mileage is calculated based on the lower of Royals home office/rink (Richmond Arena) or members home to location of event, and one Executive member per event is reimbursed.

Discussion/Q&A:

Does this meet CRA guidelines? Should it be lowered to \$800?

-Paul Ross: CRA is set at \$0.55/km including cost of gas and wear/tear on vehicles, it's costing volunteers to volunteer.

-\$1000 was a random number chosen. Last year \$800 was paid out to one Board member.

Part about using Richmond home arena is not fair to those who live further out.

-It is more fiscally responsible to use the Arena a starting point.

Does HEO pay travel?

-Not paid to President/Directors and even then, only in some circumstances

Does the Association dictate what meetings are to be attended?

-HEO, LCMHL and D4 meetings are to be attended. The role on the Board of Directors would also depend if travel was necessary.

Does it include company vehicles?

-If someone is putting personal funds into a company vehicle then they should be entitled to recoup the expense. Only a few Director travel in their role.

-Suggestion to change \$1000 to \$500 but was not seconded

Motion #2: Voted in favor by members

Amendment to: Article 5: Board of Directors

Motion to delete title of Vice President and change it to Vice President House

Discussion/Q&A:

-Bringing RMMHA in line with many other associations by having two Vice Presidents, one for House league and one for Competitive.

-If President were to step down, VP House would take over

Motion #3: Voted in favor by members

Amendment to Article 5: Board of Directors

Motion to add the position Vice President Competitive to the Richmond Munster Minor Hockey Association Board of Directors. This new role is a voting position and will act as the RMMHA representative for Tier 1, Tier 2 and Tier 3 levels of competitive hockey. The role will also share some of the responsibilities of the existing Vice President House role.

Discussion/Q&A:

Why not Director of Competitive and Assistant Director of Competitive?

-Bringing us in line with other Associations who have two Vice Presidents

Motion #4: Voted in favor by members

Amendment to: Article 6: Terms of Officers

Executive Directors serve a two year term and are eligible for re-election at the end of their term.

Director's positions are divided into two groups, with their terms beginning and ending on odd or even years. Realignment of the positions is needed for logical succession.

Even years

President

Vice President of Competitive

Director of Hockey Operations

Registrar

Ice Scheduler

Director of Fundraising

Treasurer

Director of Canteen Operations

Odd years

Vice President of House

Director of Competitive

Assistant Director of Hockey Operations

Director of Risk and Safety

Director of Tournaments

Director of Equipment

Secretary

Director of Communication and Public Relations

New Business

Minor Midget Elimination

Motion presented at Lanark Carleton to eliminate Minor Midget level from House league hockey starting with the 2016/2017 season. Motion was voted on 6-1 in favor .

There was a lack of teams this year, two associations didn't have teams. Part of the issue is the birth years, based on the numbers moving up from Bantam, we won't have enough players for a team. This will be revisited in the future. Schedule to change from 24 games to 30 games and reducing them from 1.5 hours to 1 hour. In all of HEO, there are only 2 minor midget leagues and no tournaments

- We've always looked to transfers to fill up teams
- Will the change prompt a review of ages involved? No
- What about AAA players coming back? How to split up the players will depend on tryouts
- Can there be a split between A and B where A has 16-17 years of age and B has 15 years of age? Need to look at numbers in the fall, and evaluate players at tryouts. We can't just decide to have only certain ages at certain levels.
- Can we set up some sort of mechanism to prevent Competitive from taking kids from House once the season starts? Competitive teams encouraged to over roster but sometimes it's not possible, if kids want to move up after the season starts, it's hard to stop them. We would need to re-evaluate the team and possibly change their level in the league.
- Is there definitely an A/B split structure? Team levels depends on the number of players. The formula set out by Hockey Canada would determine the levels we have. If changes are made from this formula, then concessions will need to be requested.
- What about lack of goalies? We will be looking for goalies from other Associations once the number of teams are decided on. Lots of rules were broken to ensure the kids had a goalie for their games.

Letter received from Osgoode Rideau Minor Hockey Association

Presented letter to members to maintain transparency and open discussion with our members.

Osgoode Rideau held a town hall meeting with their Competitive and House leagues to discuss a possible merger between their Association and RMMHA. A letter was sent to Roger checking to see if there was interest in entering discussions about a possible merger with both Competitive and House programs. They are lacking in their volunteers.

- ROMANS had the same issues as the House league programs has now. A merger wouldn't work just like it didn't with the Competitive program years ago.
- Currently have a great relationship with WCMHL, RWC is in a great position financially and overall.
- **General feel from the membership to send a rejection letter to Osgoode Rideau

Bantam Tournament: was there no money for prizes?

- The mandate for tournaments was always not to lose money, previous years tournaments didn't make as much as they did this year.
- There could be some changes due to increased costs expected for the 2016/2017 season.

Timekeepers

-Anyone interested in being a paid time keepers needs to contact Todd MacDonald, especially anyone interested in taking over the lead on scheduling the timekeepers as Todd is not continuing in this role.

What is being done with the Kraft Hockeyville money previously won?

-RMMHA Executive doesn't have any involvement with the funds received
Ben St. Jean: city will match \$25K, increasing the funds to \$50K but this amount still won't get much done. Lots of Associations contributed to the campaign to win not just hockey. Stephanie Kelly will be reaching out to Scott Moffatt to have the funds matched.

Will banners go back up?

-City of Ottawa has been contacted about setting something up to get them back up for everyone to see. We need permission from the City to proceed. A new cable is needed to get the banners up.

Trophy case: can we get more cabinets for our trophies?

-Something to review over the next year

Goalie coaches to teach Coaches how to teach their goalies

-Some goalies have their own coaches and would prefer to continue learning from them. Get coaches to know what to look for during drills. Coaches can show up at Bob's session to watch.

Junior B team coming to Richmond

-There is no impact to RMMHA ice. Ice times for the Jr B team are on their own contract. Stittsville ice here on Sundays will go to the Jr B team. Something will be worked out for the practice times.

Midget practice times

-can we schedule the practices for times when the players will actually show up? Need a better time slot.

Hockey season scheduling

-Are we going to go back to previous system where we play later in the year? Will be reviewed by D4 and LCMHL

Executive stepping down

-When was the last time an audit was done on the books? From a District point of view, the books are sent to D4 and then HEO. They are reviewed but not audited. Next Executive should have an audit done at a cost between \$3K to \$5K

Motion for RMMHA to have an audit done on the books of the Association

Moved by Colleen Jones, second by Dawna Ferguson, Unanimous

Elections for the Board of Directors

more volunteers are needed to replace those who are outgoing

President

-Nomination of Roger Chapman by Cheryl Gault, second by Tim Johnson

Nomination declined

Position vacant until next Board of Directors meeting

**Criteria for this role need to be met when being voted in at AGM by members. When appointed by Board of Directors, D4 will assist and decide if the person has the qualifications to perform the role until they can be voted in at the next AGM

Vice President Competitive

-Nomination of Tim Johnson by John Sunstrum, second by Bobbi Chapman
Nomination accepted, Acclaimed

Director of Competitive

-Nomination of John Sunstrum by Tim Johnson, second by John Hale
Nomination accepted, Acclaimed

Director of Hockey Operations

-Nomination of Shawn Boudreau by John Sunstrum, second by Bobbi Chapman
Nomination declined

-Nomination of Russ Arthurs by Adele Yamada, second by John Hale
Nomination accepted, Acclaimed

Assistant Director of Hockey Operations

-Nomination of Andy Castalarin by Russ Arthurs, second by Will Mayda
Nomination accepted, Acclaimed

Registrar

-Nomination of Adele Yamada by Will Mayda, second by John Hale
Nomination accepted, Acclaimed

Director of Canteen Operations

-Nomination of Tina Sul by Roger Chapman, second by Shawn Boudreau
Nomination accepted, Acclaimed

Treasurer

-Nomination of Kirsten McGauley by Adele Yamada, second by Russ Arthurs
Nomination accepted, Acclaimed

Ice Scheduler

Vacant

Director of Fundraising

Vacant

Draw for free registration

Shelly Lepine

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn, moved by Colleen Jones, second by Todd MacDonald
Unanimous, meeting adjourned at 9:48pm