**VMHA Spring Special Meeting Minutes**

**April 19, 2018**

**In Attendance:** Shaun Cadrain, D.J. Mewis, Leslie Carlson, Leanne Lupul, Angie MacDonald, Lori Ann Stenhouse,

Tracy Long, Jessica Heinrich, Amy Howorko, Tom Howorko, Denise Cusack, Trevor Cusack, Kyle Westman, Greg

Throndson, Tobias Betz, Adam Arcand, Shane Croke, Aaron Starko, Blaine Cusack, Darren James, James Martin,

Richard Lavoie, Sarah Kastendieck, Candice Holowaychuk, Amy McPhee, Kimberly Tiffinger, Karen Selte, Kim

Thompson, Tara Garnier, Lisa Rochford

1. **Calling of the Roll:**Lisa called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm
2. **Reading and approval of unapproved minutes:**Shaun made the motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Kim, all in favor
3. **Report of the President:**

- Hockey Canada has increased hockey fees by $ 5.15 per player, Atom-Midget will now be $45.80/player and Intro to Hockey (Initiation & Novice) will be $44.80/player. With this increase VMHA will need to increase their player registrations to cover the costs.

-Hockey Alberta is making some Officiating changes, the two specific changes of note for the 2018/19 season are:

* The process of how Officials register and pay for a clinic each year will now be completed only online and consistent across the province.
* The process of selecting operational volunteers for their roles within the Officials Committee (formerly the Provincial Committee) and the Regions (formerly Zones). There volunteer positions will now be appointed rather than elected aligning with other Hockey Alberta governance practices.

-Hockey Alberta has made changes to Respect in Sport, recertification every 4 years is now required.

-Hockey Alberta is looking for nominations for the following: Volunteer of the Year, Coach of the Year, Player of the Year, Official of the Year and Team of the Year. VMHA has a lot of really great volunteers, coaches and players and teams so please put in some nominations.

-Hockey Alberta important dates:

* To put bid in to host Provincial Championship is Nov. 1, 2018
* Participant reg deadline for Provincials is Nov. 15, 2018
* Provincial intent deadline is Dec. 1, 2018

- All of this information is available on the Hockey Alberta website.

1. **Report of the Treasurer:**

Account Balances as of March 31, 2018

General Account $ 20,793.41
Concession Account $ 26,064.18
Plan 24 $ 27,937.14
GIC $11,503.09

Raffle Account $ 4,801.74

Profit & Loss Report-see attachment

**6. Report of the Directors:**

* Initiation (D.J. Mewis):All good, numbers were good had two full teams. Lowered the price of the home tournament because they couldn’t fill it as it was higher than other tournaments. Decided to not go with the Timbits program as one team’s jerseys won’t be tigerscolors and we won’t be able to use our current jersey sponsors.
* Novice (Kimberly Tiffinger): Everything was good, only one hiccup with the tournament but was resolved
* Atom (James Martin): Two sets of Atomic jerseys (home & away/set) have been ordered in the tigers colors, a local company will put the tigers logo on the jerseys.
* Female Atom/Pee Wee (Mike Krips): not in attendance. Lisa reported that the Atom girls won the league banner and provincials. Mike is now the VP of ECFHL.
* Pee Wee (Jay Stepanick): not in attendance
* Bantam (Jamie McPhee): not in attendance. Lisa reported that the team had a great year and won the league banner.
* Midget (Erinn Baldwin): not in attendance
* Female Bantam/Midget (Jessica Heinrich): both teams were full and both had a good year, tournaments were full and went well

**7. Resolutions:**

**8. Unfinished Business:**

**9. New Business:**

1. Important Dates

- First day of hockey is Sept. 10, 2018

- Tim Green- Sept. 28,29& 30

 Three skates per division including novice

-Evaluations- Oct. 5, 6 & 7

 Three ice times per division that need to be tiered/evaluated

1. **NEAHL Updates/Changes**

- going forward the managers from each team will be now entering their game sheets into the NEAHL website.

- Last year there was talk about NEAHL making changes to the Provincial draw playdown, teams have to win their tier in order to move onto Provincial play downs. NEAHL has decided instead of implementing the changes to every division they will do a pilot project with the Peewee level. Atom, bantam and midget will be the same play down system but teams will start with a registration number and NEAHL will see what level of hockey each team is playing at and decide who they will play in the playdowns.

- Govenors and Deputy Govenors are going to ask each association for ice times so they can schedule 4-6 preseason games for all levels of tiered hockey in order to match teams with like skill level and have those teams all properly tiered at the beginning of the season and try to cut down on the retiring later on in the season.

-Hockey Alberta is changing to the format that after so many penalty minutes per player there will be suspensions.

**10. Election of Directors/Executive:**

Treasurer- position not filled

Vice President of Business- Karen Selte was nominated by Troy Cameron, no other nominees. Karen was elected by acclamation.

Discipline Coordinator-Troy Cameron nominated Shane Croke, no other nominees. Shane was elected by acclamation.

Coach Mentorship Director- Troy Cameron nominated Blaine Cusack, no other nominees. Blaine was elected by acclamation.

Fundraising Coordinator- Kim Thompson put her name forward, no other nominees, Kim was elected by acclamation.

Concession Coordinator/Volunteer Bonds-Lori Ann Stenhouse let her name stand, no other nominees. Lori Ann was elected by acclamation.

Referee Coordinator-position not filled

Team Accounts Coordinator-Leslie Carlson let her name stand, no other nominees. Leslie was elected by acclamation.

Website Manager- Sarah Kastenieck nominated Candice Holowaychuk, no other nominees. Candice was elected by acclamation.

Initiation Director- D.J. Mewis let his name stand, no other nominees. D.J. was elected by acclamation.

Novice Director-Leslie Carlson nominated Sarah Howe, no other nominees. Sarah was elected by acclamation.

Atom Director-James Martin let his name stand, no other nominees. James was elected by acclamation.

Atom/Pee Wee Female Director- Amy McPhee nominated Kimberly Tiffinger, no other nominees. Kimberly was elected by acclamation.

Pee Wee Director-position not filled

Bantam/Midget Female Director- Jessica Heinrich let her name stand, no other nominees. Jessica was elected by acclamation.

Bantam Director- position not filled

Midget Director- position not filled

**11. Open Forum**

a) Coach Evaluations- Kyle Westman asked if coaches would be receiving feedback from the coach evaluation forms that went out to the players. Kim responded that yes the head coaches will receive a summary of their evaluations.

**12. Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned by Lisa at 8:15pm