

MINUTES OF MEETING
OF
THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF
THE OTTAWA GIRLS HOCKEY ASSOCIATION
(the "OGHA")

The Annual General Meeting of the OGHA was held at Jim Durrell Recreation Centre Ottawa, Ontario on June 26, 2024 at 7:00 pm, pursuant to notice given in accordance with the OGHA's by-laws.

1. Call to Order.

a. Matt Street (the "Chair") called the meeting to order at 7:05pm. Based on the number of directors in attendance at the meeting, it was determined that a quorum was present and stated that the meeting could proceed.

2. Opening remarks.

a. The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced the Directors present, Martin Roussel: President, Katie Curran: Director of Marketing, Tahlia McBane: Treasurer, and Rich Inomata : Registrar.

3. Season run down and highlights.

a. Marty opened the presentation by thanking all of the coaches, managers, trainers, volunteers and board members for their work over the past season.

b. an overview of the 23-24 season was provided including registration numbers, number of teams per age level, geographic distribution, success stories, overview of the tournament and plans for the 24-25 season.

c. members had questions on the marketing strategy for next season to bring in more registrations. Options such as radio advertising, flyers, schools, community papers were discussed. A marketing committee was put forward and two members: Olivier Cullen and Duncan Clark agreed to be on the committee.

d. members had questions regarding the FUNdamentals program. Identifying strong volunteers and coaches to run the program will be critical. This will be a priority for the next board meeting.

e. on behalf of the board and the members, Katie thanked Marty for his extensive work and support he gave the association over the past few years.

4. Review of the financial statements.

a. Financial statements were provided online and in hard-copies to the members. Key points included:

i. Registration costs were kept low and reduced in 23-24 with the hopes to attract more players. Unfortunately, this was not the case and resulted in lower registration revenue for the regular season.

ii. Tryout registration revenue was increased and assisted with increasing overall revenue.

iii. Some expenses increased (website, ref/league fees, credit card fees) with ice costs being the largest expense.

iv. Heading into 24-25, need to be mindful of expenses. Having a dedicated, paid ice-scheduler should assist in better ice management.

5. Revised by laws.

a. Included in the AGM package are new draft corporate by-laws and a document called Articles of Amendment. The provincial government changed the rules by which non-profits operate. OGHA must comply with these new rules by making various changes no later than October 2024. The Board has taken the time to review the rules that are followed and the official document that outlines what we do to make sure they make sense. The Board has proposed a few changes including expansion of the Board to up to 11 directors, added a few positions for new Officers, the GM of the 67s program shall be an ex-officio member, the Past-President may be appointed as an advisor, and the FY end shall be determined by the Board to provide flexibility in changing, as required. Many of the other changes are rules we have to follow under the new provincial rules.

b. These documents have been reviewed and approved by the Board, and are now presented to the membership for approval.

i. Special resolution #1: Be it moved that the Articles of Amendment, as included in the meeting package be approved as presented.

Seconded by: Jennifer Williams

All in favour

Motion carried

ii. Special resolution #2: Be it moved that Bylaws No. 1 as included in the meeting package be approved as presented.

Seconded by: Mary Ruth Endicott

All in favour

Motion carried

6. Elections.

a. The Chair presented 6 candidates that were seeking election (Tim Wilshaw, Jennifer Williams, Amanda Williams, Mary Ruth Endicott, Olivier Cullen and Terrance Oakey) and asked if there were any additional nominations from the floor. Jennifer Flanagan expressed interest, given the resignation of Mijin Kim.

b. Each candidate was offered the opportunity to present themselves and why they would be a good candidate for the board. All candidates presented with the exception of Terrance Oakey who was not in attendance.

c. Based on the number of vacant seats, and the number of candidates, no vote was required. All candidates were deemed to be on the board.

d. The board consists of the following for the 24-25 season:

- i. Katie Curran (second year of a 2 year term)
- ii. Rich Inomata (second year of 2 year term)
- iii. Tim Wilshaw (first year of a 2 year term)
- iv. Jennifer Williams (first year of a 2 year term)
- v. Amanda Williams (first year of a 2 year term)
- vi. Mary Ruth Endicott (first year of a 2 year term)
- vii. Olivier Cullen (first year of a 2 year term)
- viii. Jennifer Flanagan (first year of a 2 year term)
- ix. Terrance Oakey (first year of a 2 year term)
- x. Shannon Donnelly (ex-officio member as GM of the Jr 67s)

There remains one vacancy on the board.

There being no other business to consider, the meeting was adjourned at 8:12 pm.

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