

Minutes for the Annual General Meeting

For the Medicine Hat Soccer Association
Held at the Medicine Hat College RoomS159
Monday, November 20, 2017

37 Members in Attendance

1. Introductions

2. Meeting Called to Order: By Jeff Vangen Time 7:02pm

3. Adoption of 2017 AGM Agenda:

Motion #1: Darryl Getz
Second: Ryan Landreville
All for: Carried

4. Adoption of 2016 AGM Minutes:

Motion #2: Ryan Landreville
Second: Dwayne Alves
All for: Carried

5. Matters Arising from 2016 Minutes:

None

6. Considering Directors Reports:

President Report: Jeff Vangen
Motion #3 to Accept Report: Darryl Getz
Second: Allan Siwela
All for: Carried

Discussion Points:

- 1) Medicine Hat College Agreement – Ongoing, currently in draft form. Details of agreement requested to be shared with the membership in a timely manner.

Past President Report: Theresa Hardiker
Motion #4 to Accept Report: Trevor Copeland
Second: Dwayne Alves
All for: Carried

Vice President Report: Hugh Lehr

Motion #5 to Accept Report: Lauren Bueckert

Second: Ryan Landreville

All for: Carried

Discussion Points:

- 1) Technical Committee Terms of Reference– Concern regarding ratification of these terms of reference and why this committee was operating without board approval.
- 2) RASC Coach Selection Process – What is the process for notifying coaches who have submitted applications as some coaches that applied were never notified whether successful or unsuccessful. In the past there was a Coach Selection document in place and would like to see a formal document in place outlining the process.

Treasurer Report: Lauren Bueckert

Motion #6 to Accept Report: Theresa Hardiker

Second: Travis Hyde

All for: Carried

Secretary Report: Vacant Position

Mini Director Report: Dwayne Alves

Motion #7 to Accept Report: Allan Siwela

Second: Theresa Hardiker

All for: Carried

Discussion Points:

- 1) Is there any coach mentorship as it seems some coaches are trained and others are not? Coach clinics are held each season with the help of ASA. Also, any coach in our program that would like to take a coaching course may submit receipts to the MHSO Office for reimbursement.
- 2) Are there any incentives for coaches to coach in the program? This is something that has been looked at in the past and will be further discussed.

Minor Director Report: Trevor Copeland

Motion #8 to Accept Report: Theresa Hardiker

Second: Ryan Landreville

All for: Carried

Discussion Points:

- 1) Concern of RASC Players competing in the World Cup League. Intimidating for younger players, especially girls to be playing with U18 boys. Moving forward the MHSO will be looking at different options for this league.

- 2) What programming is in place to better promote player development? MHSA has incorporated more practice times and festivals to help develop players. The PDC is also helping coaches and players in the community league with start of season clinics and season festivals. We also offer the Mini Stars Program for U10 & U12 which is put on in conjunction with ASA which is a skills development program. The Mini and Minor Programs have aligned with Long Term Player Development guidelines with the support of the ASA.

Senior Director Report: Ryan Landreville

Motion #9 to Accept Report: Travis Hyde

Second: Dean Studer

All for: Carried

Discussion Points:

- 1) Question from Sr. Women's Director, Sam Griffin, on how the Sr. Women's League has been a challenge. Sr. Women's League registration has remained steady and feel that their league is running fine and is healthy.
- 2) Options have been offered to bring cohesion to the Sr. Women's League and Sr. Men's League by the Sr. Women's League, however, nothing has come of it.
- 3) The Senior Director is looking to bridge the gap between both leagues and provide support where needed as both leagues have a league coordinator.

Fund Development Director Report: Heather Bach

Motion #10 to Accept Report: Sean McLachlan

Second: Travis Hyde

All for: Carried

Discussion Points:

- 1) Question regarding developing a fund to assist families that struggle – would this be made aware to the membership? This is still in the research phase but once completed would be shared with the membership.
- 2) Assistance in generating revenue for our tournaments was offered by Nick Douvis as he organizes tournaments for Minor Hockey. An invite to the next tournament meeting was given as we would appreciate any support. The difficulty we face with the tournament is getting teams to travel to Medicine Hat.
- 3) Discussion on the Marketing Review and what was the outcome of the review and rebranding. Main points from the review were discussed and rebranding has been placed on hold until the association can develop a strategic plan to ensure we align with our goals, mission and vision.

Equipment Director Report: Darryl Getz

Motion #11 to Accept Report: Dwayne Alves

Second: Hugh Lehr

All for: Carried

Referee Officer Report: Vacant Position

7. Considering Auditors Report:

Motion #12 to Accept Report: Holly Tataryn

Second: Dean Studer

All for: Carried

Discussion Points:

- 1) RASC – Do Mini and Minor League subsidize the RASC Program? There may be times when you see leagues revenue up or down but over time evens out.
- 2) RASC Fundraising – How are these proceeds distributed amongst the team? Each team is responsible for their own fundraising, but they are given guidelines to follow in the RASC Handbook. All teams are expected to follow AGLC guidelines.
- 3) RASC Fees – Why are there no standard policies in place for RASC fees? Teams are given a budget to follow according to team sizes.
- 4) Referee Fees – Why is there a decrease referee costs? We have incorporated more practice times and therefore require fewer referees.

8. Appointment of the Auditor for the Next Financial Audit: MNP

Motion #13 to Accept Report: Lauren Bueckert

Second: Nick Douvis

All for: Carried

9. Staff Report: Nanette Newton

Motion #14 to Accept Report: Theresa Hardiker

Second: Dean Studer

All for: Carried

Discussion Points:

- 1) RASC – Concern raised regarding player retention in the older age groups and what is the course of action to keep players in the program? Recommendation made that the PDC or RASC Representative present a report at the next AGM and be available to answer questions regarding the RASC Program.

10. Amendments to the Bylaws (See attached list):

Motion #15 (Motion #1 on attachment): Theresa Hardiker

Second: Heather Bach

All for: Carried

11. Amendments to the Bylaws (See attached list):

Motion #16 (Motion #2 on attachment): Theresa Hardiker

Second: Heather Bach

Friendly Amendment to the above motion to include: Additions to the agenda to be forwarded to the MHSA Office seven (7) days prior to the meeting.

All for: Carried

12. Amendments to the Bylaws (See attached list):

Motion #17 (Motion #3 on attachment): Theresa Hardiker

Second: Heather Bach

All for: Carried

13. Amendments to the Bylaws (See attached list):

Motion #18 (Motion #4 on attachment): Theresa Hardiker

Second: Holly Tataryn

All for: Defeated

14. Amendments to the Bylaws (See attached list):

Motion #19 (Motion #5 on attachment): Theresa Hardiker

Second: Heather Bach

All for: Defeated

15. Amendments to the Bylaws (See attached list):

Motion #20 (Motion #6 on attachment): Theresa Hardiker

Second: Ryan Landreville

All for: Carried

16. Amendments to the Bylaws (See attached list):

Motion #21 (Motion #7 on attachment): Theresa Hardiker

Second: Heather Bach

All for: Carried

17. Amendments to the Bylaws (See attached list):

Motion #22 (Motion #8 on attachment): Theresa Hardiker

Second: Ryan Landreville

All for: Carried

18. Amendments to the Bylaws (See attached list):

Motion #23 (Motion #9 on attachment): Theresa Hardiker

Second: Heather Bach

All for: Carried

19. Amendments to the Bylaws (See attached list):

Motion #24 (Motion #10 on attachment): Theresa Hardiker

Second: Ryan Landreville

All for: Carried

20. Amendments to the Bylaws (See attached list):

Motion #25(Motion #11 on attachment): Theresa Hardiker

Second: Heather Bach

All for: Defeated

21. Two Scrutineers selected 1) Sam Hirsch 2) Jason Schnieder

22. Electing Members of the Board

a. **Vice President:**

Nominations: Hugh Lehr, Holly Tataryn

Vote by secret ballot

Elected: Hugh Lehr

b. **Equipment Director:**

Nominations: Darryl Getz

Vote by acclamation

Elected: Darryl Getz

c. **Secretary:**

Nominations: None

Vacant Position

d. **Referee Director:**

Nominations: Dean Studer

Vote by acclamation

Elected: Dean Studer

e. **Fund Development Director:**

Nominations: None

Vacant Position

Motion #26 to destroy ballets: Travis Hyde

Second: Allan Siwela

All for: Carried

23. Meeting Adjourned: 9:44pm