

Nepean Girls Hockey Association (NGHA) Annual General Meeting (AGM)

Date: June 8th 2022 at 7:00pm

Location: Walter Baker Centre Cafeteria

1.0 Call to Order: President [Tracey Gillies]

- 7:05 pm

2.0 Adoption of 2021 AGM Minutes: Approved by Claire Bellefeuille; Seconded by Tracey Gillies.

3.0 Appreciation was expressed toward all of the many NGHA volunteers who dedicated their time to ensuring the success of the NGHA throughout the 2021-22 season, especially in light of the very difficult circumstances under the Covid-19 pandemic. Special mention was offered to the following NGHA volunteers:

Certification: Machellev Giovagnoli

Bingo Coordinator: Machellev Giovagnoli

Finance Admin: Chantal Weatherdon

House League Convenors: Diane Chea, Jennifer Steeves, Lisa Brennan

Competitive Convenors: Jamie Leppard, Dave Nordquist, Ryan Sciampacone, Heather Baxter

Head Timekeeper: Sherry Jones

Webmaster: David Hunter

Social Media: Dave Davies

Equipment: Pierre St. Pierre

FUNDamentals Head Coach: MacKenzie and Sierra Erbach

COVID-19 Committee: Lindsay Whitmore, Judith Snedden, Machellev Giovagnoli

Coaches and on-ice helpers

Managers

Safety Officers

Trainers

Den Moms

Parents

4.0 Reports from Directors and Committees

President [Tracey Gillies]

Appreciation was extended to the NGHA Board and members, who all contributed to the success of the 2021-22 season, despite some minor hiccups, such as the January lockdown and the rapidly changing Covid-19 protocols that were dealt with throughout the season. The President noted that after many years in various roles on the NGHA Board she would not be running for another term, and shared the importance of members volunteering in order to ensure the continued success of the association.

House League Director [Lisa Camilucci/Tracy Foster]

An update on the 2021-22 house league season was provided acknowledging that Directors were very happy to get back to a more normal season, and that there were 27 house league teams from U9 to U18 – an increase of 7 teams from the last season. As mandated by Hockey Canada, we introduced the Pathways Program for U9 and U11 – this occurred before sort outs and beginning of the season. We had a few house league teams won gold in tournaments in November and December at the U13, U15 and U18 levels, prior to the January lockdown. Unfortunately, due to the lockdown, we were not able to proceed with DS teams this season, but are planning to restart the season again next year. We capped off the year with a successful Championship Weekend, with 56 games played in total across all divisions over the course of the weekend. A huge thank you was offered to all our dedicated coaches, managers and volunteers, and to our house league convenors (Diane Chea, Lisa Brennan, Jennifer Steeves) who helped tremendously throughout the season.

Competitive [Jamie Leppard/Marty White]

An update was provided that there were 26 competitive teams plus our junior U22 team during the 2021-22 season. We were happy to have a more normal season, with the exception of the January lockdown period, which made for some challenges when it came to closing out the season and with playoffs. A thank-you was extended to all coaches and team staff for their hard work, patience and dedication throughout the season, and thanks were offered to our competitive convenors who keep things running smoothly.

Registrar [Gerard Gagnon]

A high level overview of registration was presented for the 2021-22 season. While registration has increased since last season we have not yet returned to our pre-Covid registration levels. We continue to use the OWHA-mandated RAMP electronic game sheet system, and will be required to use the RAMP registration system in the years ahead.

Policy, Risk and Safety Director [Claire Bellefeuille]

An overview on the year from a safety perspective was provided. Though we had a bit of a set-back in January with the lockdown, it was nice to get back to more of a normal year, and we are hoping to be totally back to normal by next season. Expressed thanks and appreciation for those on the Covid-19 Advisory Committee who spent many hours navigating the various protocols put in place by the Province, the City, the OWHA and various facilities in order to keep our players and their families safe.

Appreciation was offered to the players, parents and coaches and team staff for their flexibility and understanding throughout the season working to implement all of the Covid-19 protocols, and managing the various lockdowns.

There were no policy-related issues to report on, but noted that there has been an increase in disciplinary hearings related to behaviour on social media that is not in line with our code of conduct.

5.0 Finance [Ray Murphy]

From a financial perspective, the NGHA is in good shape. The association ended the season with a surplus of approximately \$20,000. The budget for next season will be based off of that used in the 2020/21 season with any adjustments necessary made throughout the season. Reassurance was offered that the NGHA is in a good place financially.

7.6. Annual Financial Statements The Corporation shall make available a copy of the Financial Statements from the previous year to all Members at the Annual General Meeting. The Financial statements will have been subject to an assurance engagement performed by an independent auditor

7.7. Assurance engagement provider a. The Members shall by ordinary resolution at each annual meeting appoint an independent assurance engagement provider to hold office until the next annual meeting, and if an appointment is not so made, the assurance provider in office will continue in office until a successor is appointed.

b. The Directors may, if a quorum of the Directors is then in office, fill any vacancy in the office of the assurance engagement provider arising between annual meetings

c. The person or firm appointed as assurance engagement provider shall be independent of the Corporation, its affiliates, the Directors and Officers.

The MOTION 'approval of moving to a review engagement process' was Moved by Ray Murphy; Seconded by Marty White.

6.0 Amendments to the Constitution

The following amendments to the NGHA Constitution were reviewed:

1. Under Section 3.4 Qualification of Officers and Directors:

- f) No person may be nominated for, acclaimed to or elected to any Board position if their spouse currently occupies a Board position.

2. Under Section 7 Financial:

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The MOTION ‘approval of the revised NGHA Constitution, as posted on the NGHA website, dated July 2021’ was Moved by Claire Bellefeuille; Seconded by Jamie Leppard.

7.0 2021 Bursary Award winners were announced

The recipients of the Mary Lou Zywicki Bursary awards for 2021-22 were presented as follows:

- Victoria Pears
- Reegan MacEwen
- Morgan Schusterman

The recipient of the Les Banks Bursary awards for 2021-22 was presented as follows:

- Morgan Schusterman

8.0 Election of Officers and Directors: [President]

Acclaimed positions:

- President (2 years): Claire Bellefeuille
- Vice President Programs (1 year): Marty White
- House League Director (2 years): Lisa Camilucci
- Secretary (2 years): Rob Mahoney

Presentation of candidates for Competitive Director:

- Justin Jedlinski, Kim Leclair, Wayne Duggan
 - Winners through majority vote announced – Congratulations to Justin Jedlinski and Kim Leclair

Appreciation and thanks were extended to the Board of Directors Members who are leaving, as follows: Jamie Leppard, Gerard Gagnon, Karrie Singer, and Tracey Gillies.

9.0 Adjournment (8:02 pm) – Motion to adjourn the 2022 AGM moved by Tracey Gillies; seconded by Chad Chambers.

Approximate duration: 1 hour