

**VMHA Board Meeting  
May 4, 2022, at 7:00 PM**

**In Attendance:**

Carrie Stark	Blair Molsberry	DJ Mewis
Rob McCulley	Darren James	Carmen Unland
Derek Young	Terri Herzog	Candice Holawaychuk
Jodi Selte	Roger Garnett	

**Call To Order:**

President, Blair Molsberry, called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

**Approval of Agenda:**

Change 10) To Website Report vs Media Report. Rob McCulley approved the agenda. Seconded by Derek Young. Motion carried.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Jodi Selte made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 6th, 2022, meeting. Seconded by Rob McCulley. Motion carried.

**Business Arising From The Minutes:**

**a) Team Sponsors - Were Team Pictures Received**

Amy McPhee has the sponsor's team photos, DJ Mewis will pick them up and get them distributed.

**Action: DJ Mewis to have all team sponsor photos handed out by Friday, May 13, 2022.**

**Action: DJ Mewis is to look into the cost of providing jersey sponsors with a Tigers Logo Picture Frame that can house the team sponsor photo.**

**b) VMHA Gala**

Need to obtain an Income vs Expense Statement from Richard Lavoie.

**Action: Blair Molsberry to contact Richard Lavoie to obtain Income vs Expense Statement.**

**President's Report:**

None at this time.

**VP Business Report:**

DJ received the cheque from Trevor Farkash for the Kidsport Sign Auction that took place at the VMHA Year End Gala.

**VP Development Report:**

None at this time. We still require a VP of Development at this time.

**Discipline Report:**

None at this time.

**Treasurer's Report:**

As of March 31, 2022:

Concession Account \$16,103.62

VMHA Main Account \$148,443.05

VMHA Plan 24 \$37,236.74

Raffle Account \$0

Casino Account \$0

Team Account \$31,043.16

Development Account \$20,262.34

Ref Fees \$2,691.00

Ice Fees \$7,008.86

**Action: Brandy Poliakiwski to provide the executive with an Income vs Expense report for all tournaments this year.**

**Registrar's Report:**

Jodi is waiting for Brandy to provide a report of money brought in vs money paid out during tournaments for the year. Jodi cannot move ahead with registrations until she knows if the Town is raising ice fees for VMHA and what we are planning to set our ice fees for the year.

**Action: Blair Molsberry to contact Bari at the Town to find out if the cost of ice fees will be going up for the 2022/2023 hockey season.**

**Website Report:**

Candice wanted to know where VMHA would like to start with the website. VMHA feels we should start with the basics, clean the site up, get links working, get executive and directors info up to date. Past minutes will be kept for 3 years loaded on the website. VMHA would like to see the website kept up to date of current events such as Ref Clinics etc.

**Equipment Report:**

Darren has about half the equipment turned in and has spoken to everyone at this point. Jodi has jerseys to pick up at Twin D.

**Director's Report:**

(None at this time, waiting for all 10 positions to be filled before we assign them)

- a) U7
- b) U9
- c) U11
- d) U11 Female
- e) U13
- f) U13 Female
- g) U15
- h) U15 Female
- i) U18
- j) U18 Female

**New Business:****a) Board Positions That Need To Be Filled**

We need to fill VP of Development, Coach Liaison, 4 Directors, Fundraising, Bonds, Ice Scheduler x 2, Ref Co-ordinator x 2; please think of individuals who may be a good fit for these positions.

**b) Other Bond Positions**

We also need to fill Clothing Coordinator, Picture Day, Parade (2023), Gala Coordinator, Minor Hockey Week (2), Goalie Development Coordinator, Travel Permit Coordinator, Website; please think of individuals who may be a good fit for these positions. NEAHL requires a Deputy Governor for each tier, it will be a bond position; the NEAHL was very short last year.

**c) Logo**

We are looking to get new uniforms; so it makes sense for us to work on changing our current logo. The current logo is very expensive and VMHA would like to see it cheaper. Blair checked into some costs to create a logo and it looks like the average cost is \$1000. Jodi has found an online business that costs \$100 to change around logos. Jodi is working on getting some changes done for the logo and will present it to the board when she has all her information.

**d) Uniforms**

Darren has suggested to have 5 year jersey sponsors and sublimate the sponsor name into the jersey instead of having name bars. Darren suggested it might be a good idea to contact the JR B Tigers and see if they are also looking for a new logo; and have them and us share the same new logo. VMHA would like to see a relationship with the JR B Tigers; with lots of ideas tossed around. Darren would like to know what we are

doing with all the last 20 years of jerseys upstairs. **Action: Everyone please think about uses for the old jerseys and bring your ideas to the next meeting. Action: Darren James is to contact Nathan from Factory to have him attend a meeting to discuss new jerseys and new apparel.**

**e) 2022-23 Fees (Executive Meeting)**

VMHA would like to open registration in June, but requires some information from the Treasurer and Town before we can set fees. The executive will hold a meeting in May 2022 to set the fees for the 2022 - 2023 hockey season. An Executive Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 18, 2022, at 7:00 PM, at Twin D Plumbing upstairs.

**f) Committees**

Tournament Committee - Terri Herzog, Rob McCulley, Carmen Unland, Blair Molsberry

Budget Committee - Executive Members

Handbook Committee - DJ Mewis, Sean Tennant

Job Description Committee - Tabled For Now

Manager Guidelines Committee - Derek Young, Roger Garnett

**g) Director Terms**

To be determined at a later date.

**h) Vermilion Fair - Parade Budget**

Blair checked in with Melissa Guenther about doing a 50/50 at the Vermilion Fair; Melissa said unless you are fundraising for something specific, it is hard to do. VMHA has lots of money at this point; so we decided to sit on the 50/50 at the fair; until we need to fundraise for something specific. Carmen Unland did a budget for the 2022 Parade for decorations, truck and trailer, signage for VMHA and Provincial Champions, candy, truck wash etc. Carmen's total cost came out at \$1800.00. Terri Herzog made a motion to approve the 2022 parade budget of \$1800.00. Seconded by Candice Hololwaychuk. Motion carried.

**i) Bylaw Updates**

At the Spring AGM there were changes made to some VMHA Bylaws.

**Action: Carrie Stark is to obtain the digital copy of bylaws from Blair Molsberry; update the digital copy of the bylaws with the bylaw changes voted on at the 2022 Spring AGM and then share that update with Candice Holowaychuk to be posted on VMHA website.**

## **j) NEAHL/ECAFHL AGM Recaps**

### **ECAFHL**

Vegreville will be joining the female league with a U13 and U15 teams, Lloyd will have strong U11 joining U13 and then their U11 teams will be more in line within the league. Looking to have a year end tournament instead of playoffs for the female league. The U11 boys played the year end tournament format this year. They are looking for host committees for the year end tournaments. They are looking for a VP and U11 Director. Looking to make changes for overtime in playoffs to 10 min and a shoot out as city teams run out of ice time. Fort McMurray is happy to host two teams at a time such as U15 Female and U18 Female at the same time.

### **NEAHL**

We will be following the AP Grid from Hockey Alberta. NEAHL would like to see better conduct from within our own associations; and action can be taken to suspend teams and parents; if required to keep actions in check. U15 Male Tier 4/Tier 5 will be non-contact this year. We have a director of Indigenous Relations named Julia; who will be out trying to recruit kids in indigenous areas to keep them playing hockey. Interleague play, there is a task force put in place to look at this option. Vegreville and Battle River are honorary members of the NEAHL this year, next year they will be members of NEAHL. Next year Provincials will be held earlier on March 16-19, 2023, and March 23-25, 2023.

## **k) Email Addresses**

VMHA wanted to know if we should have actual email addresses for each position within VMHA. Based on discussion with the board and the executive we will just leave emails as each individual person's personal email address as years before.

### **Round Table:**

Terri Herzog had mentioned that she had heard rumblings that we are sitting on top of too much money and was questioned as to why we do not give the jersey sponsors a break, or why did we not donate the original \$30K that was agreed upon to give to the town for the new ice plant. Jodi Selte responded with an idea of giving each team a \$1000 to purchase raffle table items in town and giving the donors a break. Blair Molsberry also responded that we can still give the town money if they require more for repairs of the ice plant.

Everyone needs to update Candice Holowaychuk with a phone number and email.

Atomc Jerseys are ordered and will be here in July 2022.

Derek Young was questioning why we do not use the RAMP App; Candice Holawaychuk said she will call RAMP and find out how it all works.

**Next Meeting Date:**

Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 1, 2022, at 7:00 PM.

**Action: Carrie Stark to book the meeting room upstairs at the Stadium with Bari at the Town for the next meeting on June 1, 2022.**

**Adjournment:**

Derek Young adjourned the meeting at 9:21 PM.