



GVMHA Board Meeting Minutes

August 23rd, 2023

Kal Tire Place North

7:00pm

Present: Trevor, Nik, Jesse, Cheryl, Bryan, Lynn, Gord, Kevin, Dwight, Brendon, Erik

Absent: Curt

Meeting called to order.

1. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve agenda by Brendon; seconded by Bryan.

2. Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve minutes by Trevor; seconded by Jessie.

3. Financials

- Sponsorships are going great.
- The GVMHA hockey schools were well attended and well received with approximately 80-85% full. Last year we had to cancel a girls' hockey school and this year, we had over 30 girls registered.
- The GVMHA 50/50 Progressive Rafflebox will start as soon as we get a license. It will be promoted through our local teams at every home tourney. To add momentum throughout the season, we should offer an incentive for the teams to see which team can donate the most to the 50/50. We could also do a monthly incentive to keep it fresh. Teams can still do the 50/50 in the stands at their tournaments.

Motion to approve financials by Bryan; seconded by Nik.

4. Written Update by Director of Player Development and Registrar by Dwight

- Picked up ice at Norval for the U18's and every rep team will have to take rotations at Norval.
- We accepted overage players in the U18 group. The players had to have clean hockey records.

- We had 535 players registered with registrations still coming in. We will probably have approximately 560-570 players this season.
- We have more kids that have registered in the U13 group. We will see how the numbers are and if it is possible, we will add a Tier 3 or 4 Rep team. We will be running 5 U13 teams: 3 Rep and 2 House OR 2 Rep and 3 House. We want the players to play at the highest level possible if there is enough ice and enough players.

5. Fundraising Initiatives for Fall of 2024 by Bryan Ford

- Progressive 50/50 is a big fundraiser.
- Other possible fundraiser ideas could be putting on a concert at KTP and/or watching the World Juniors at the Town Theater on New Year's Eve.
- Bryan suggests diversifying where we get our money from and had the idea to throw a rock concert at KTP by hiring the company that puts on Diamond on the Denim. We pay them a fee and it is a ticketed concert in the fall of 2024. We promote it as a fundraiser. We sell tickets to the event and get sponsors. Bryan will research more and see if it would be a feasible and good fundraising initiative.
- World Juniors at the Towne Theater as a fundraiser but need TSN approval. We could offer it on New Year's eve for GVMHA players. We could also show hockey movies. Jesse will research and update us on this potential fundraiser.

6. Vipers 50/50 by Cheryl Roddis

- The Vernon Vipers have offered the 50/50's to GVMHA. The Vipers are no longer part of BC Hockey and therefore, we do not have insurance. GVMHA will not be doing the 50/50's at the Vipers' Games.

7. GVMHA Video Proposal

- Alvin Tam, a GVMHA member, has put together a brochure with services that he could provide to GVMHA. Some suggestions would be for Alvin to do the video presentation at the Year End Banquet, Esso Cup Promotion Video (we could try to get sponsors), a video with highlights from the U13 Provincials that we are hosting and educational videos for first time hockey parents, officials, and goalies. He is very talented.
- Split up the costs and the proposal over a couple of years.

Motion for Kevin, Dwight and Bryan to pursue a business partnership with Alvin Tam by Trevor; seconded by Nik.

8. Two Minute Updates by Board Members

Nik, Risk Manager: Nik, Kevin and Dwight will look into our policy regarding Criminal Record Checks

Bryan, 1st Vice President: Bryan would like to facilitate GVMHA's strategic planning. He has past experience with strategic planning.

Brendon, Female Director: The Female Coach Development weekend was successful. Whitney from BC Hockey was involved. Some of the highlights were the ice breaker on Friday night, 1 on 1 coaching for girls that were coming out to try hockey on the Sunday and there was an information session run by Brendon before they went on the ice. The U9, u11, u13, and u15 Female teams will be full this year, as well as the U15 Novas. The Female clinics should be more full than last year.

Trevor, 2nd Vice President-Conduct Chair: We should have one person with First Aid on every team. We will book a First Aid course for the end of September and encourage safety people to attend. If there is room, anyone can attend.

Motion to end meeting by Bryan; seconded by Brendon.