

**Plattsville & District Minor Hockey Association
Annual General Meeting
April 11th 2017 – 7:00pm – Lions Hall, Plattsville Arena**

MINUTES

Executive Present: Shawn Davidson, Dan Glendinning, Adam Vollmer, Gerry Bes, Sarah VanBoekel, Bob Pettigrew, Trevor Baer, Ami Bondy, Colette Boivin-Moore, Geoff Dow, Morgan Scoyne, John Scoyne, Tina Balfour

Members Present: Calvin Moore, Derek Becker, Paul DeMarco, Chris Mayer, Peter VanBoekel, Mike VanBoekel, Jim McMaster, Cassy Becker, Brad Habel, Kyle Trott, Bob Cadwell, Jacqui Cadwell, John Gillies, Crystal Simpson, Jen Stannix (&Cole), Jason Goodhew, Daryl Jenson, Tracy Cassells, Brad Smith, Shelley Dick, Randy Dick, Jeff Russell, David Gole, Jennifer Gole, Trevor Braunig.

1. Call to Order, 7:00pm

2. Welcome & Introduction of the Executive

Shawn welcomed those in attendance, and introduced the executive members present.

3. Approval of the 2015-2016 AGM Minutes, from May 3rd 2016

Motion to accept the minutes – Ami/Dan

4. President's Report - *Shawn*

Shawn announced that he will be leaving PDMHA this season, but is willing to help with transitioning the next president. He highlighted some PDMHA success stories, with previous players being drafted to OHL (Zach Core a few years ago, and more recently Ryan Campbell), but that having all players enjoy the sport is our biggest goal.

Dan thanked Shawn for his time and dedication to PDMHA.

5. Financial Report - *Tina*

An income/expense report to-date was provided; some expenses yet to come in (final ice bill, year end events, prizes for raffle draw). Original budget for season included a loss of about \$24000, mainly due to the planned purchase of new jerseys using retained earnings from past seasons (GIC's cashed in October). Actual year end should result in a loss of approximately \$10000. PDMHA helped with administration for the annual men's PREVA tournament, resulting in a bit of additional income; some proceeds from the Plattsville 3on3 days were also contributed.

6. Directors' Updates

OMHA Rep/Registrar (Ami) – Currently looking after AAA permission to skate requests, NRP passport requests, and online registration.

Grand River League Rep (Sarah) – League AGM is in May

Southern Counties League Rep (Bob) – League AGM is next week

Coach Mentor (Gerry) – Coaching application for next season is online; hoping to avoid assigning coaches at the start of the season.

Chief Referee (Adam) – May have one new junior ref next season.

Wicket/Timekeeper Manager (John) – Nothing to note. John had taken over the role part way through the season when Tammy resigned from the executive.

Equipment Manager (Dan) – Reminder of jersey returns, will look at what needs replacing.

Little Brave / Tournament Convenor (Trevor) – Nothing noted.

Events Coordinator (Colette) – Fun Day event is tentatively scheduled for May 13th.

Hockey Parent Rep (Geoff) – Nothing noted

Fundraising Rep (Amy absent) – no updates

7. Bylaw Amendments/Additions

- i. Bylaw 2016.01: The PDMHA Executive will include up to a maximum of five Member-at-Large positions; each is a one year term.

Rationale: To encourage more parents be involved with the executive, but in a low-commitment type of role, until they have gained some experience with how the association operates. It is hoped that individuals in Member-at-Large positions would then be interested in taking on director roles in subsequent seasons.

Motion (by Ami): To accept Bylaw 2016.01 as presented. – Carried.

8. Executive Elections/Selection

The following were acclaimed, each to a two year term (with exceptions noted).

President & Grievance Officer – open

Southern Counties League Rep – open

Grand River Local League Rep – open

OMHA Rep – Ami Bondy

Chief Referee – Adam Vollmer

Wicket/Timekeeper Manager – open

Little Brave / Tournament Convenor – open

Fundraising Rep - open

Members-at-Large (each a one year term) – Lance Buchholtz, Brad Smith; 3 open

Positions open on the executive will remain open until the next regular meeting so that the entire membership has a chance to express interest in any of them. If more than one person is interested in a position, the executive will make a decision at its meeting as to the best candidate to fill the position.

9. New Business / Membership Feedback

(i) Peter VanBoekel presented the following motion: Bylaw 2017-02.

If a player is offered a roster position at their chosen AA or A centre nearest to their residence (as defined as “Player Movement” – OMHA regulation 3.5), the player will be granted a one (1) year return of their Right of Choice. If the player is not offered a roster position at his chosen option of AA or A, he MUST return to his home centre. If the player is offered a roster position at his chosen option of AA or A, he MUST return to his home centre at the end of each season (permission is for one (1) season only).

There was much discussion of the proposal, including:

- “return of Right of Choice” had replaced “release”; OMHA does not allow a player living within a centre’s boundaries to be released

- those players living in “gray zones” between centre boundaries sign a Right of Choice with a selected centre; distance regulations also apply, as selected centre can be no more than 8km further away than any centre closer to the player’s residential address
- need to obtain an accurate map defining Plattsville’s boundary; determine what percentage of our players live in these gray zones
- could have player apply to the executive to have ROC returned, and exec would vote on an individual basis
- was mentioned that other centres are returning players’ ROC (Paris, Tavistock)
- allowing such players to leave will risk composition of teams in our home centre

Motion: To accept bylaw 2017-02 as stated above. – Peter/Mike VanBoekel
Carried (22 in favour, 13 opposed)

(ii) Local league vs rep teams

Some discussion regarding the consideration of becoming just a Local League centre (no rep teams), the procedure that would be required to do so, and whether the association could roster rep teams in subsequent seasons. Some thought more/just LL teams would be more competitive, especially for the novice division (email also submitted by Lance Buchholtz on this). Population in Plattsville and area is growing, so numbers could increase and decision as to rep/LL teams at each division should be left as a year to year decision. Would want to allow entire membership the opportunity to provide feedback if did want to consider whether to become an LL centre.

10. Meeting adjourned.

Addendum: Bylaw 2017-02 could not be implemented as passed at the AGM. OMHA regulations do not allow a centre to return a player’s Right of Choice for a single season.