

**Plattsville & District Minor Hockey Association
Annual General Meeting
Oct 3 2021 – 11:00am – Lions Hall, Plattsville Arena**

MINUTES

Executive Present: Trevor Braunig (President), Dan Glendinning, Brad Smith, Trevor Baer, Joe Frayne, Geoff Dow, MaryAnne Donahue, Jocelyn Patey, Cara Jordan, Tina Balfour

Members Present: Brett Jessop, Jeremy Goodfellow, Ryan Jessop

1. Call to Order, 11:00am

2. Welcome & Introduction of the Executive

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

3. Approval of the 2018-19 AGM Minutes, from May 7th 2019

Motion: To accept the minutes as circulated. – Geoff/MaryAnne ... Carried.

4. President's Report - *Trevor*

* Update on current player numbers, as well as the process & progress on evaluations for IP, Novice (U8/U9) and Atom (U11)

5. Directors' Updates

OMHA Rep/Registrar (Tina) –

* OMHA is in the process of converting all age division terminology (Midget now U18, etc.) which must be used moving forward.

* Atom (U11) player pathway program went into effect this season; major change is no tryouts until after a 2-week development phase in September. This will be the last season for rep level hockey at Novice; only house/local league after this season.

* Also last season for "AE" teams; moving to AAA/AA/A /Tier1/Tier2/Tier3 structure.

* This structure also being used for OMHA Championship days at end of this season; no longer have playdowns. League standings will determine which teams advance to Championships.

Southern Counties League Rep (Brad) –

* League play will start Oct 17 this season. Final standings need to be determined by March Break in order to identify which teams advance to OMHA Championships.

* Next meeting is Oct 13 – voting on whether to change league Finals Days to best of 3 series (PDMHA supports), as well as whether to remove gate fees (PDMHA does not support)

Grand River League Rep (Tina) – The league has purchase medals to be presented to division finalists and champions; also moving to electronic gamesheets this season (thus, increased league fees to cover cost).

Coach Mentor (Shawn-absent) – Shawn has indicated he is not interested in continuing in the role, but will assist with the transition to the next mentor; some teams are still in need of a coach.

Initiation Program Coordinator (Joe) – Now that initial evaluations have been completed, with three groups formed, will be recruiting coach & trainer for each group. All required clinics are currently online.

Chief Referee (Wayne-absent) – Does have one individual interested in becoming a referee.

Wicket/Timekeeper Manager (MaryAnne) –

*John will start training new timekeepers; need to consider allowing two in timekeeper box to work together, especially for U15 & U18 games, possibly use a plastic or plexiglass divider for separation/Covid safety.

* Still need to recruit some wicket staff; will not be responsible for doing Covid screening

Equipment Manager (Dan) – Approximately 46 jerseys have not been returned from last season (which was abruptly ended due to Covid shutdown). All players, Novice through to Midget, will receive socks this season. Coaches should contact Dan to arrange for goalie equipment for their teams (IP, Novice, Atom).

Little Brave / Tournament Convenor (Trevor Baer) – We can return to hosting tournaments, and our regular ones have been scheduled for this season, in December and over March Break.

Events Coordinator (vacant) – This position is currently vacant; primarily responsible for overseeing three events (picture night, Hugh Hall celebration, end of season wrap-up).

Hockey Parent Rep (Geoff) – Will assist in coordinating parent reps for each team & finding opportunities for volunteer fee refund; depending on Covid protocols, will look into IP games at Kitchener Rangers/ Jr team games; possibly Lakers (but we might need approval first, as Lakers are not part of Hockey Canada)

Fundraising Rep (vacant) – This position is currently vacant; primarily responsible for coordinating the fundraising raffle draw, and one or two other campaigns.

6. Financial Report - *Tina*

Income/expense reports for each of the 2019-20 and the 2020-21 seasons were provided. Despite the abrupt end to the 2019-20 season and the cancellation of our March Break jamboree/tournament, we ended with a surplus of just over \$5000.

Low registration numbers, no wicket, no fundraising events were among some of the Covid factors that led to a deficit of approximately \$3200 for the 2020-21 season.

With a more “normal” expectation for the current 2021-22 season, the preliminary budget will be close to that used for 2019-20.

7. Executive Member Term Extensions

Motion: To ensure continuity as PDMHA moves through the “Return to Hockey” framework, and the protocols & restrictions connected to the Covid-19 pandemic, the following executive positions will be extended until the end of the 2021-22 season: President, Chief Referee, Initiation Program Coordinator, Southern Counties League Rep, Timekeeper/Wicket Manager, Equipment Manager, Parent Rep – Jeremy/Brad... Carried

8. Executive Elections/Selection

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

Grand River Local League Representative – open

Coach Mentor – Ryan Jessop

Tournament Convenor – Trevor (Tree) Baer

Events Coordinator – open

Fundraising Rep** – Jocelyn Patey

Social Media Director** – open

Members-at-Large (each a one year term) – Brett Jessop; up to 4 open

** See New Business item below for update to these Board positions

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 appoint the best candidate to fill the position, at that next regular meeting.

9. New Business / Membership Feedback

- Jeremy suggested updating the Social Media Director position, so that more communication beyond social media was included in responsibilities.

Motion: The Social Media Director position on the Board of Directors will be renamed Communications Director, and the duties outlined in Bylaw 2.17 will include external communications and marketing of PDMHA membership & events. Ryan/Dan... Carried.

Following the passing of this motion, Jocelyn indicated her interest in the Communications Director role in place of the Fundraising Rep.

- Joe gave an update on the ½ rink board divider sponsorships – Due to the pandemic and decrease in activities during the last season, the 3-year board sponsorships will be extended one year; similar for the banner sponsors (\$250 for banner sponsor). Looking for new sponsors (direct them to Joe); additional funding goes to the association with a focus on player development, fun events, new opportunities to involve youngest players & families.

10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:25pm.