



PECMHA Annual General Meeting 2020

Wednesday September 9, 2020

Virtual

APPROVED MINUTES

PEC Executive Attendance: Steve Payne, Obie VanVlack, Heather Zantingh, Jane Vader, Jason Parks, John Kelly, Ben Cowan, Christina Kelly, Justine Bucknell

Absent: Stephen Prinzen

PEC Membership in Attendance: See Appendix A

Quorum was established at 14. Therefore 8 votes (not including Chair) necessary for any business to pass. Meeting called to order at 7:03.

Opening Remarks – President, Steve Payne – See Appendix B for his complete Report.

Approval of the Agenda

MOTION 2020 – AGM – 001

To approve the Agenda as printed.

Moved by Justine Bucknell

Seconded by Jason Parks

CARRIED

Approval of the 2020 AGM Minutes from May 2019

MOTION 2020 – AGM – 002

To approve the Minutes as delivered.

Moved by Jason Parks

Seconded by Jane Vader

CARRIED

Approval of the President's Report – See Appendix B

MOTION 2020 – AGM – 003

To approve the 2020 Presidents Report as delivered.

Moved by Justine Bucknell

Seconded by Christina Kelly

CARRIED

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer, Justine Bucknell

The Treasurer took the membership through the Financial Statements as provided by the Treasurer.

Approval of the 2019 Treasurer's Report

MOTION 2020 – AGM – 004

To approve the Treasurer's Report as delivered.

Moved by Kristina Kelly

Seconded by Jane Vader

CARRIED

Business Arising:

No Motions where brought forward

Election of Directors and Officers

The President conducted the 2020 Executive Elections. The President of the Association (Steve Payne) does not vote unless there is a tie vote. The Elections of officers will be done online with President Steve Payne taking tally and reporting to Heather Zantingh for the minutes.

It has been determined that there are 16 Eligible votes.

Therefore, at least 10 are necessary to carry.

The President asked for the nominations for each position. The President confirmed the willingness of the Nominee to stand, and asked the membership. Ballot were on hand if a recorded vote was requested or necessary.

Motion 2020 – AGM 005 through 2020 – AGM – 010

Two Year Terms –

President (2 Year Term)

Nominee: Steve Payne

Nominator: John Kelly

Seconder: Obie VanVlack

CARRIED

OMHA Contact - (2 Year Term)

Nominee: Heather Zantingh

Nominator: Obie VanVlack

Seconder: Ben Cowan

CARRIED

Fundraising and Sponsorship (2 Year Term)

Nominee: Jane Vader

Nominator: Ben Cowan

Seconder: Obie VanVlack

CARRIED

Junior Local League Convener (1 Year)

Nominee: Ben Cowan

Nominator: Heather Zantingh

Seconder: Jane Vader

CARRIED

Senior Local League Convener (1 Year)

Nominee: Jason Parks

Nominator: Heather Zantingh

Seconder: Jane Vader

CARRIED

Tournament Coordinator (1 Year)

Nominee: Kristen Terpstra

Nominator: John Kelly

Seconders: Stephen Prinzen

CARRIED

Equipment Coordinator (2 Year)

Nominee: JR Van Haalem

Nominator: Ben Cowan

Seconders: Heather Zantingh

CARRIED

1 – Registrar (2 Year Term)

Nominee: Kristina Kelly

Nominator: Heather Zantingh

Seconders: Obie VanVlack

2 – Registrar (2 Year Term)

Nominee: Charlene Insley

Nominator: Ben Cowan

Seconders: John Kelly

Vote Recording: Kristina Kelly has been awarded the position

1 - Secretary (2 Year Term)

Nominee: Lisa Camp

Nominator: Heather Zantingh

Seconders: Obie VanVlack

2 Secretary (2 Year Term)

Nominee: Justine Koopman

Nominator: Ben Cowan

Seconders: Jason Parks

Vote Recording: Lisa Camp has been awarded the position.

Other Business

There will be no coaching clinics this year due to COVID 19. So we will have to call on all our already trained staff and we everyone on the bench will need to be qualified and take the return to play

Given no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45. Moved by Jason Parks and Seconded by Justine Bucknell.

Appendix A

The following members, beyond the Executive signed in virtual and were present throughout the meeting:

Justine Koopmans, Parent

Kristen Terpstra, Parent

Lisa Camp, Parent

J.R. Van Harrlem, Parent

Cathy Pickle, Parent

Mike Kelly, Parent

Appendix B

Presidents Opening remarks and Report

Opening Remarks

Good evening everyone, thank you for taking the time out of your busy schedules to attend the Prince Edward County Minor Hockey Association Annual General meeting. This is the closing phase of our 2019/2020 minor hockey season. My name is Steve Payne, President of the Prince Edward County Minor Hockey association and the Chair for tonight's AGM.

Tonight, during my president's report, we will go over a recap on the past season. Justine Bucknell our treasurer will outline our budget lines and the current financial position of the association. We will also call upon changing of the executive. Certain position terms on the board have come to expire as of this evening and tonight we will appoint new Executive members to join and lead this association for the upcoming hockey season.

I would like to take a moment to thank and introduce your minor hockey executive for this past season:

Obie VanVlack - Vice President
Justine Bucknell - Treasurer
Heather Zantingh - Registrar
John Kelly - Ice Scheduler
Becky Carter - OMHA Contact
Jane Vader - Fundraising and Sponsorships
Steve Prinzen - Referee in Chief
Jon Wight - Equipment Manager
Ben Cowan - Jr Local League Coordinator
Jason Parks - Sr Local League Coordinator
Kristina Kelly - Secretary
And
Kristin Terpstra - Jamboree Committee Chair and Tournament Liaison

The time and effort that each of these individuals put forth each season from the end of May after the AGM right through to today is invaluable and they should always be commended and recognized for the many hours of Volunteer time it takes to run and organize a minor hockey association such as ours.

Presidents Report

This was my second season as the President of the association and I can attest that the 2019, 2020 hockey season has been one for the books. It has been both rewarding and was not without but a few challenges along the way, throw a global pandemic into the mix that shut down our sport across the country before it had a chance to fully finish, and you have what we will reflect upon tonight as the 2019 2020 hockey season.

The 2019 2020 season saw a total registration of approximately 300 players with Prince Edward County Minor Hockey.

In a typical year we see a 5% raise of costs associated to rent the ice facilities from the County of Prince Edward. The cost of ice is and will continue to be our largest budgetary expense line item from year to year. We go to great lengths to ensure that the ice we do rent is utilized fully. This season we strived to book ice times for practices and schedule games during appropriate evenings and times taking into account many different factors. Everyone needs to be aware that yes PECMHA is the largest user of the ice facilities in Prince Edward County, but we are constantly competing with other ice users for primetime slots during evenings and weekends.

This year saw the beginning of a new association wide fundraiser, the cash calendars, which allowed families to recoup up to \$100 of their registration costs by selling calendars to friends and families. We then did weekly draws during the hockey season for cash and gift card rewards.

Other Fundraising efforts that went on this season were:

Our 10th annual Milk Rep Tournament and 1st annual Novice Rep Jamboree was a main contributor to our Revenue stream. Led by Jefferson Gilbert and Kristin Terpstra. A lot of hard work and many hours were given from everyone on the hockey executive, team managers, and player parents. With all hands-on deck, we were able to put together another first class event for BB or lower representative hockey teams across the province. The competition was fierce, and it allowed our Kings Rep teams to play against opponents they would not normally see throughout the regular hockey season. This year's tournament saw teams from as far away as Renfrew, Ingersoll, Cornwall, Parry Sound and Elmvale. This tournament sold out quickly last season. Unfortunately, due to OMHA COVID-19 restrictions in 2020/21 we will not be able to host our Rep tournament this fall as planned.

In March we also hosted the second annual PECMHA March Classic Tyke Jamboree. Jamborees are meant to be fun special events where 9 teams participated from across the region. With the guidance of our Jamboree Committee Chair Kristin Terpstra our tyke managers and parents took the lead on this event. It was very successful and had a waiting list.

At this time, I would like to talk about our specific programming and the successes that I saw this past year.

Darren and Debbie Yuill once again ran an amazing program for our youngest players. A special thanks goes out to Darren and Debbie for your continued support and giving our preschool players such an amazing, inclusive and positive beginning experience to hockey.

Our newly purchased 1/2 ice boards received a lot of use this season in our youngest player groups.

Our Initiation Program also known as "Timbits" and our Tyke program were very successful 1/2 ice developmental programming. Lead by a special group of devoted parents, these young Kings were normally separated into stations each practice week and learned various skills to take them to the next level of their minor hockey experience. Under the umbrella of the OMHA Development Guide, Saturday mornings for these age groups consisted of half ice games to let them show off their skills on a size appropriate ice surface, which allowed for more puck touches and ultimately more involvement in the game for each individual player. These age groups and the development of hockey-based skills at a young age will continue to be the focus of hockey in our association and across Canada for many years to come.

Our Novice groups participated in a newly implemented OMHA Player Pathway Development structure that saw high speed 1/2 ice 4 on 4 play for 1/2 of the hockey season and then graduating into full ice hockey starting in January. A special thank you to all Novice coaches that were able to adapt to the new style of learning and playing for our Novice aged players.

This past season was the fourth year that our Local League teams participated in the Inter Community Hockey League. Local League hockey continues to be the foundational roots that hockey in Prince Edward County is based on, and a large focus of the organization. Sporting our brand new PECMHA purple Uniform, this season saw many of our Local League teams place very highly in Regular Season play and a few met the top as I will acknowledge later in my champions recognition. From my perspective, along with feedback from coaches and parents, this ICHL season was a successful one and players travelling from center to center each week playing different teams in a local league creates stronger team bonds and a better experience of the sport. Our Local League teams also attended a record number of Tournaments this season and were successful in being competitive at each and every one.

Our Rep program continued to be a consistent force in Regular season play in the Eastern Ontario Minor Hockey League. All our teams showed great strides in their development throughout the season. It is apparent that the center classification change this season from a BB center to a B center was a positive one as two of our 4 teams from Atom to Midget made it into at least the Quarter Finals with the Bantam Lehigh Cement team finishing their season off as Co-champions in the OMHA All Ontario Bantam B Division sharing their title with the Ayr Flames due to the cancellation of the season right before the series was set to begin by Hockey Canada due to COVID-19. It was a heart-breaking way for the Bantam Rep team to end their season, I'm certain win or lose they would have like to have had a decision, but we will celebrate them as Champions.

Seeing the success and growth from all our teams Local League to Rep is directly related to the volunteers that year after year step up and lead these teams. Coaches, Trainers and Managers dedicate hours of their time to ensure these kids have successful and enjoyable seasons. I cannot thank them enough. They do not get nearly the credit that they should. Whether it is Rep or Local League, it does not matter. These volunteers are crucial to minor hockey, and we should all applaud them.

The 2020 2021 hockey season will have its full share of challenges in dealing with how to offer hockey programming safely during the COVID-19 pandemic. The PECMHA hockey executive have great faith in our governing bodies the OMHA, OHF and Hockey Canada to give us the tools to run a safe sporting activity for the children of Prince Edward County. We will have some more details of how the Fall will look for hockey in the County later this week. What we do know now and communicate out to you for certain is that things will not be the same as what they were at the beginning of the 2019/20 hockey season. Just like with the schools there will be many protocols to follow for both the use of the arena facilities, health screening, participant tracking and additional safety precautions during hockey play. Your hockey executive and especially myself need your support and patience through this season as I am sure things will change frequently. We are all in this together. Personally, as a parent of 3 boys that love the sport of hockey, they need that sense of normalcy now more than ever by being on the ice however that may look. A return to play plan has already been developed by PECMHA and will be submitted to the OMHA shortly. As per the OMHA Return to Play Framework, we were only able to begin to start collecting registration as of September 1, 2020, please look for registration to open this week with new instructions for registering.

Thank you all for attending tonight and see you all at the rink this fall.

Respectfully submitted,

Steven Payne, President, PECMHA