

Langley Minor Hockey Association

2021 Annual General Meeting Minutes

November 24, 2021 @ 7:00PM | Virtually via Zoom

Voting Board Members in Attendance

Parky, Brandon Spearman, Shelley Rosner, Natalee Letawsky, Dave Duffill, Ted Whitfield, Les Torok, Mike Parkinson, Grant Wilkins, Todd McLaren, Tanya McLachlan

Call to Order

The Acting President of LMHA called the 2021 Annual General Meeting to order at 7:02 pm held virtually via the Zoom platform.

Opening Remarks and Introductions

Once Quorum was established, Parky began the meeting introducing himself and the board members in attendance on the call as well as our Administrator, Jennifer Kingwell and our Executive Director, Whitney Juskiewicz.

Review of Standing Rules

The Acting President deferred to Jennifer Kingwell to review the standing rules of the meeting and initiate a test vote.

Establishment of Quorum

The Acting President confirmed that the Notice of Meeting was served in accordance with the LMHA Bylaws. The Administrator confirmed that 36 members were present, meeting quorum and allowing the meeting to proceed.

Approval of the Agenda

Motion to approve Agenda as presented moved by Dave Duffill seconded by Todd McLaren. Opposed? None. MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of the 2020 AGM Minutes

Motion to approve 2020 AGM Minutes as presented. Moved by Todd McLaren seconded by Brandon Spearman. Opposed? None. MOTION CARRIED.

Members Question and Answer Period

Members were given the opportunity to put questions forward prior to the AGM. These questions were shared with the room and answered by various members of the Board.

President's Report – Parky (Acting President)

- Acknowledged and thanked those members that has finished their time on the Board of Directors. Michelle Cowan, Steve Kooner and Maxime Spakowski. Each of them contributed significantly to the association during their time on the board.
- Introduced and welcomed Whitney Juskiewicz, LMHA's Executive Director
- Addressed the bumpy start-up to the season – the LMHA Board is aware of the inefficiencies that transpired and have already started to plan for next season.
- Addressed the shortage of board members that contributed to the bumpy start and put a challenge out to all members to get involved whether in an official capacity as a Board member or a smaller role. Anything helps! As a volunteer driven association, we require all the support that we can get.

LMHA HR & Risk Report – Todd McLaren

- Spoke about Vaccine Screening and thanked everyone for all their efforts. It has been tough season with all the rules and changes.
- Addressed Team Level Discipline which LMHA is encouraging and supporting. Having issues dealt with at the team level is much more efficient for all. He is in the process of preparing team guidelines for distribution for support.
- Contract tracing was address. This is different this season as we are relying on and following the direction of Fraser Health.
- Succession Planning – if you are interested in or have questions about being a part of the board, please reach out. We are looking to fill large and small roles now and in the future.

LMHA Administration Report – Shelley Rosner

- Spoke about our tournaments, having just completed a very successful Gil Martin Tournament. Now planning for the Jean Adams Memorial Tournament to replace the Jordan Owens Memorial Tournament. Introduced our new Tournament Director, Mark Brandow. Also excited about having Langley Cup run again this season!
- Registration for 2020-21 hosted 62 teams and 926 players with a huge thank you to our coaches, assistant coaches, managers, HCSP's, treasurers and on-ice assistants. Thanks to Tanya and Jennifer for all their work on this registration this season.
- Volunteer bond is back in full swing this season after being suspended last season.
- LMHA is hosting three Vancouver Giants nights this season.

Executive Director Report – Whitney Juskiewicz

- Reviewed LMHA's current skater and goalie development offerings and encouraged members to get involved.
- Spoke about our in-house pay-per-use Development Sessions and that we will be offering more in the new year. Definitely good value and she encourages everyone to take advantage of these offerings.
- This season she is running in-house coaching clinics that are being well received. Covered some of the curriculum thus far and plans for future sessions. She encouraged all coaches to get involved in these no cost sessions.

- Touched on some fundraising and community initiatives in the works. LMHA is working with the Rivermen and Trappers so stay tuned!

LMHA Financial Report – Natalee Letawsky

- LMHA has, for the fourth consecutive year, utilized the services of SM Accounting Group, a local, external CPA firm. SMAG has prepared our financial statements for the year end, March 31, 2021.
- Gross revenue from operations for the 2020/21 season were \$887,837 compared with \$986,562 in the prior year, a decrease of \$98,725. Our additional revenues – from fundraising, gaming grant, sponsorships, bank interest and other sources were \$138,879 compared with \$144,289 from the prior season – total net revenues decreased \$104,135. We not only suffered from a lower number of registrations but also reduced or non-existing fundraising. We applied for any applicable subsidies and grants.
- With the reduced number of players, we were able to reduce our expenses for the year. Those from operations were \$1,000,442 in 2020/21 compared with \$1,124,506 from the prior year, a decrease of \$124,064.
- From a financial perspective, we were unable to host tournaments, we lost fundraising opportunities with the Giants, and our development programming was significantly impacted. We are fortunate that all our ice subsidies remained intact and will be in place through our current season and for the foreseeable future. We would struggle to operate without these subsidies and the annual BC Gaming Grant.
- We continue to carry a bank account contingency of over \$150,000 at our year end which gives us the necessary breathing room to survive the next calamity!

Election of Directors

Election of Directors - we did not have enough candidates to fill the positions that are available. All the candidates that put their name forward have been voted in by acclamation. LMHA welcomes Brandon Spearman, Dave Duffill, Grant Wilkins, Jennifer Day, Les Torok, Shelley Rosner and Tanya McLachlan to the Board/back to the Board. We still have some vacant positions on the board so if any Member is interested, please reach out.

New Business

None.

Closing Remarks & Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the 2021 LMHA AGM @ 8:04 pm. Moved by Todd McLaren.

Seconded by Shelley Rosner.

Opposed? None. MOTION CARRIED.