

Langley Minor Hockey Association
2019 Annual General Meeting Minutes
June 21, 2019 @ 7:00PM | Township of Langley Civic Facility

Voting Board Members in Attendance

Aaron Sproule, Shelley Rosner, Jean Adams, Michelle Cowan, Rachel Wasmuth, Steve Kooner, Ted Whitfield, Dave Duffil, Les Torok, Grant Wilkins. **Regrets:** Kate Ezra, Natalee Letawsky, Jordan Bateman, Maxime Spakowski

Call to Order

The President of LMHA called the 2019/20 Annual General Meeting to order at 7:15pm in Langley, BC at the Township of Langley Civic Facility Meeting Room.

Opening Remarks and Introductions

The President welcomed the members to the meeting and introduced members of the Board of Directors. The meeting standing rules were reviewed.

Establishment of Quorum

The President confirmed that the Notice of Meeting was served in accordance with the LMHA Bylaws. The Registrar confirmed that 32 members were present, meeting quorum and allowing the meeting to proceed.

Approval of the Agenda

Motion to approve Agenda as presented. Moved by Michelle Cowan
Seconded by Rachel Wasmuth. Opposed? None. MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of the 2018 AGM Minutes

Motion to approve 2018 AGM Minutes as presented. Moved by Steve Kooner.
Seconded by Jean Adams. 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. Additionally, questions were posed from the floor; responses and dialogue ensued.

- Rep Invoices. What are we being billed for? Each rep team receives two practice slots each week. LMHA provides each team with one ice slot and the second is paid for by the team to keep thing equitable among the players.
- What board positions are available? Each board position was summarized and the voting procedure for those positions was covered.
- Paid coaches at all rep levels? Can we hire a coach? Aaron explained that a team may hire a development coach, if the team agrees. Any coaches brought in must pass ratification from LMHA. At this time, it is not feasible for LMHA to hire and pay for all rep coaches.

President's Report

Aaron Sproule informed the room of the renewal of the Director of Coach and Player Development contact renewal. A two year term with an option for a third. Included new terms with respect to scheduling and accountability as well as more time with coaches and players. Spoke about the trending items with respect to Competitive Hockey and its impact on LMHA... we lose a lot of kids to academy programs and otherwise. A1 Coaches for the 2019/20 season were announced.

LMHA Operations Report

Michelle Cowan acknowledged Jordan Emmerson's absence. He had holidays booked prior to the AGM date being set. Michelle announced that PEP would be continued for another season in light of the successes with the roll-out of our inaugural year. For those who are unfamiliar with PEP, it is an on-ice player development system that utilizes proprietary equipment and training patterns. The system is designed to provide 5 times as many repetitions as standard drill-based practices. The Midget returning player policy was reviewed and discussed. We take pride in our players moving on to the next level of hockey but also want to try to ensure that there is a team to return to should they be a late release from a Minor/Major Midget or a Junior A/B team. Full details will be available on the Registration webpage. Rep Evaluation are coming. New software, Team Genius, used this past season was a game changer with the quickness and accuracy of providing evaluation scores. This also was utilized with the C Evaluations. The Rep Evaluation process will follow the same format in the coming season with a few minor adjustments as there is always room for improvement in anything we do. There will always be people unhappy with the outcome, but we got a lot right this year and received a great deal of positive feedback as a result.

LMHA Administration Report

Shelley Rosner informed the members that their were 70 teams, 207 coaches and 228 bench staff. Many website improvements and increased social media presence. LMHA will be updating registration and moving to the Teamsnap Registration module for the coming season. Includes more payment options for members and will allow for streamlined registration and communication. LMHA is implementing a Volunteer Bond Policy starting the 2019/20 season. To summarize, each family will be responsible for six (6) volunteer hours for the Association or incur a cost of \$150 per family – full details of what roles/duties will qualify will be available on the LMHA website shortly. On that note, LMHA has won the bid to take on Operation Red Nose for the 2019 Christmas Season. This is a great opportunity for LMHA to give back to the community while generating some additional revenues to help offset association costs – as well as an excellent vehicle for families to fulfill their volunteer hours. A thank you to Jennifer Kingwell for all of her hard work over the season. We are lucky to have her!

LMHA Human Resources & Risk Report

Steve Kooner informed the room of some of the focuses for the coming season... An updated Discipline policy, better documentation, PCAHA and LMHA tracking of penalties. LMHA will be

empowering teams to deal with issues at a team level, with support from the LMHA board.
LMHA is looking to run some early season training with coaches

LMHA Financial Report

In Natalee Letawsky's absence, Shelley Rosner presented the LMHA Financial Report. LMHA once again utilized the services of SM Accounting Group, an external CPA Firm and as such, the draft financial statements were presented for review to those in attendance at the 2019 AGM. Discussion around the financials was conducted and any questions answered with a breakdown of revenue and expenses. Ice continues to be the largest cost. LMHA is continually looking at ways to increase revenue via fundraising and sponsorship in an attempt to keep registration fee increases to a minimum.

Election of Directors

Ten (10) voting members to be elected this year. Seven (7) candidates put their names forth. By acclamation, those elected to the LMHA Board of Directors are: Michelle Cowan, Dave Duffill, Steve Kooner, Shelley Rosner, Aaron Sproule, Les Torok, and Grant Wilkins. LMHA will be looking to fill the three other positions by appointment in short order.

New Business

None.

Closing Remarks & Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the 2019 LMHA AGM @ 8:55pm. Moved by Rachel Wasmuth.

Seconded by Shelley Rosner.

Opposed? None. MOTION CARRIED.