



Vancouver Island Amateur Hockey Association

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
Held at Beban Park, Rooms 20/21, Nanaimo, BC, April 24, 2010

Present

President – Mark Kenny
Past President – Jim Humphrey (absent)
Executive Director – Marg Herba
VP Competitive – Don Taylor
VP South – Barb Norton (absent)
VP North – Roy Carter
VP Mid Island – Deb Turney (absent)
District Safety & Risk Mgr – Carol Fergusson
District Coach Coord North – Mike Mowat
District Coach Coord South – Bob Gordon (absent)
District Female Dev Coord – Susie Sherman
NI RCM – Mike Fraser (absent)
SI RCM – Steve Moir (absent)
BCH District Director – Joe McDonald
VIAHA Hockey Ops Director – Robin Edwards

Alberni Valley MHA – Mike Mowat
Campbell River MHA – Al Barker
Comox Valley MHA – Angie Williams
Cowichan Valley MHA – Kathy Irving
Gold River MHA – Ellena Gjesdal
Juan de Fuca MHA – Ken Carson
Kerry Park MHA – Jeremy Webb
Lake Cowichan MHA – Darren Sowden
Nanaimo MHA – Allison Cooney
Oceanside MHA – Dean Bruyckere
Peninsula MHA – Colleen Liu
Powell River MHA – Patrick Devereaux
Saanich MHA – Glen McBride
Sooke MHA – Gord Sleivert
TriPort MHA – John Labatt
Victoria MHA – Annalyn Richardson
VRC MHA – John Tinker

Absent Associations: none

Guests: Angie Podann (Juan de Fuca)

Regrets: Jim Humphrey, Barb Norton, Deb Turney, Bob Gordon, Mike Fraser, Steve Moir

Call to Order: 11:03am

Introductions of Members Present

Adoption of Agenda/Previous Minutes:

MOTION: M/S (John L/Carol F) **To accept the Agenda for April 24, 2010 and include under New Business the following items: Exemption to Meeting fine assessed (Alberni Valley MHA); Exemption to Meeting fine assessed (Gold River MHA); and Registration (M Kenny).**

CARRIED

Old Business

BCH AGM – accommodations

A reminder of VIAHA's block of rooms at the Days Inn in Prince George. Marg will re-send an email with details and commitment for # of rooms will be requested of all MHAs.

Female Midget AAA – Host Association & Female Proposal

Susie sent out a revised proposal for discussion. Previous host MHAs for Female Midget AAA team were Saanich (2008-2009) and Juan de Fuca (2009-2010). Nanaimo MHA will be applying to host this team for 2010-2011. They are urging support for the Female A component of the proposal to help make the Female Midget AAA team work. This part of the proposal seeks to divide the Island District into 'zones' and to only have 1 carded team in category in each zone. There are no associations who have enough girls to hold female teams with just their own numbers in category without using UnderAge females or pooling from other associations. The proposal seeks cooperation between all MHAs to pool their competitive numbers and host female recreational teams, joint committee, collaborative effort to select coaches, etc.

Q: What about the girls left behind in an association where the numbers do not allow for a recreational team? Would they have to play integrated then? Discussion about pooling with another association's females to make teams (ie. no team in category), eliminate dual carding, can only play for 1 team, etc.

MOTION: M/S (Gord S/Allison C) **That the MHAs support the Female Hockey Proposal in principle from PeeWee to Midget with further discussion on details on how to implement it for the 2010-2011 season.**
4 OPPOSED
MOTION CARRIED

MOTION: M/S (Dean B/Allison C) **Friendly amendment to the above motion for Bantam to Midget, instead of PeeWee to Midget.**
DEFEATED

Reports

Financial Report

Report ending March 31, 2010 presented. Proposed 2010-2011 Budget handed out for review. Explanation that income and expenses will show for each League rather than lumped together.

MOTION: M/S (Carol F/Jeremy W) **To accept both the March 31, 2010 Financial Report and the 2010-2011 Proposed Budget as presented.**

CARRIED

President - Mark Kenny

Joe McDonald will be putting forth his name for BC Hockey Officer at Large. BCH District Director (VI) is open for nominations.

Deb Turney will be putting forth her name for BC Hockey District Director (Vancouver Island). VIAHA Mid-Island VP is open for nominations.

Barb Norton (VP South) will be stepping down. VIAHA South Island VP is open for nominations.

Nomination deadline for BC Hockey positions close April 30th.

Penalties started to decrease the last month of play. Good work and we need to stay on top of this trend.

Past President - Jim Humphrey

Absent – no report.

Executive Director - Marg Herba

ED Report handed out.

If there are any MHAs not planning to attend the BCH AGM, please let the office know. Important to proxy your votes to someone who will be in attendance.

OverAge and UnderAge exemptions and Tournament Approval requests are starting to come in. The office will hold them until the Officers are ready to action them.

VIAHA AGM – tickets have been held to the same cost as last year - \$22.00/person. Notice will be going out shortly.

VIAHA Handbook – if you are interested or know of a company/someone who would be interested in placing a sponsorship ad, please let the office know. Marg will send out information to all MHA presidents on rates.

VIAHA Website sponsorship – Jim H will obtain some information to help decide how to handle advertising on the website.

VP North – Roy Carter

Nothing to report.

VP Competitive – Don Taylor

Thanked all the MHA presidents for their cooperation this season.

Reminder that he is the Chair of the Nominating Committee so please contact either him or the other committee members (Glen McBride, John Labatt) if you have interest, questions, etc. VIAHA Mid-Island and South Island VP positions will be open.

VP South – Barb Norton

Absent – no report.

VP Mid Island – Deb Turney

Absent – no report.

Coaching Coordinator North – Mike Mowat

Follow-up on Coaching certifications are better.

Coaching Coordinator South – Bob Gordon

Absent – no report.

Female Development Coordinator – Susie Sherman

See under Old Business: Female Midget AAA and Female Proposal.

RCM North - Mike Fraser

Absent – no report.

RCM South - Steve Moir

Report handed out.

Safety & Risk Manager – Carol Fergusson

Two documents handed out (Type 1 Diabetes and Health Effects of Caffeine) and discussion on these. They will be also posted on the VIAHA website under Risk Management.

Mark is requesting information on Mono and Spleen Injuries. Carol will look into this.

Expiry dates on helmets only apply to the US, not Canada (according to Hockey Canada). They must be CSA approved, in good repair and fit/worn properly. They help prevent most major head injuries but they do not stop concussions from occurring.

Mouthguards – ‘Jaw Joint Protector’ is a dual device that helps hold the jaw in place. Better than a single mouthguard piece.

Carol is looking for more HCSP instructors. If you know of anyone who is interested, please contact her.

BC Hockey District Director – Joe McDonald

Nothing to report.

New Business**BCH AGM hosting**

At the last District Presidents’ Meeting, there was discussion that this event should be held centrally (Penticton? Kelowna?) and have MHAs host them.

Mark is looking for your MHA feedback on this.

Registration

Every MHA has different dates for registration (returning, open, etc). This creates confusion on whether a child has a spot or not, the term ‘waitlist’, why they have to wait before registering elsewhere, when a transfer can be initiated, etc. We should examine setting common dates to apply on the Island.

Mark would like everyone to discuss this with their executive committees.

Alberni Valley MHA request to exempt Meeting fine \$250.00 of March 27, 2010

AVMHA had their MHA Banquet on March 27th. Discussion that VIAHA meeting dates are set a year in advance. AVMHA was aware of that but had to move their banquet date which resulted in the conflict. President did notify the office with regards to the conflict.

MOTION: M/S (Mike M/AI B) To overturn the fine of \$250.00 assessed to AVMHA for no association designate present on March 27, 2010.

DEFEATED

Gold River MHA Exemption of Meeting fine of \$250.00 of March 27, 2010

Campbell River MHA believes that GR should not be fined. GRMHA does not have any teams participating in any VIAHA leagues. GR President did notify the office that no one from GR would be able to attend. Discussion that the MHA being fined should be the one to request the exemption or variance.

MOTION: M/S (AI B/Ken C) To overturn the fine of \$250.00 assessed to GRMHA for no association designate present on March 27, 2010.

CARRIED

Next Meeting: VIAHA Annual General Meeting – Maya 30, 2010 at 11:00am at Beban Park in Nanaimo, BC.

Adjournment:

MOTION: M/S (Carol F/ Ken C) To Adjourn at 1:08pm

CARRIED

Mark Kenny, President

Marg Herba, Executive Director