

**KAMLOOPS MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION  
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Monday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2003  
Parkside Lounge - SportMart Place

Meeting called to order at 7:10 p.m. by Rob Adkin  
Attendance: 84

***Motion:***

*To accept minutes from May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2002 Annual General Meeting by Don Schultz, seconded by Dennis Johnson*

***Motion Passed***

**President's Report:**

- Thank you to everyone for coming out and for the opportunity to be KMHA President for the past year, it has been a long year, both eventful and enjoyable
- A new office person had to be hired last year, thanks to Judy Van Horlick for the excellent job with ice times, etc.
- Input from the coaches was used at Think Tank last year which really helped improve the whole hockey program
- Atom Development went back to 4 equal teams instead of the tiered program
- Age changes implemented by the CHA went smoothly
- SportMart Place concession was given up, couldn't make it work financially with all the conditions, we did reasonably well financially in the deal
- Bodychecking was and will probably still be a big discussion at OMAHA meetings
- Rep coaches selection process took a long time, difficult process
- Hosting the Bantam B Provincials was a highlight, excellent tournament with a great committee involved, very short notice after being approached by OMAHA
- Good communication last year, open discussions, different opinions expressed
- Thanked last years Executive Members and Directors for all their hard work
- Encourages parents to relax and not take things so seriously, have fun with their kids

**Financial Report:**

- Year end - March 31, 2003
- Expenditures for last year are good - as budgeted
- Revenue for last year is down (concession loss, no car raffle)
- Fee increases for the upcoming season will help

*Question: Why are concession revenues down?*

- Product costs have increased
- Our contract with the City of Kamloops specifies which products can and cannot be sold
- Concessions are not being opened all the time
- There have been some thefts
- A Concession Committee has been formed to address issues

*Question: Did the cost of ice to KMHA increase last season?*

ice costs down by better utilization of the ice times we had

**Motion**

*To accept Financial Statements ending March 31, 2003 by Lee-Gaye Hicketts, seconded by Carmen Huib*

**Motion Passed****Awards:**

- There are a lot more people deserving of awards than we have to give.
  - Jim Roode Volunteer of the Year Award - Barb Jamieson
  - Concession Awards - Sherry Connell
    - Lynda Stephanishin
    - Barb Jamieson
  - Don Hay Coach of the Year Award (Rep) - Chris Hans
  - Bob Hanes Assistant Coach of the Year Award - John Woodward

**Registrar's Report:**

- Declining memberships at the Initiation age level, increase in Atom - Midget age players (due to age changes), we need to make hockey attractive to younger players

## Retirement of Existing Board and Election of New Officers and Directors:

### Nominations

<i>President</i>	Stan Burton
<i>1<sup>st</sup> Vice President</i>	Dennis Johnson
<i>2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President</i>	Caroline Bissat
<i>Secretary</i>	Charmaine Walden
<i>Treasurer</i>	Dorothy Woodward
<i>Registrar</i>	Marilee Hermiston
<i>Directors</i>	Kathy Wojak, Deb Mair, Marla MacGregor, Dave Hagerty, Karen Repka, Sandy Bullock, Shari Featherstone, Carmen Huth, Rob Fryer and Dave Crowther, Glenda Hollings, Kenda Pauwels, Barb Jamieson, Tod Hoffbeck, Adrian Wall, Tom Adkin, Hardeep Dhaliwal, Jeff Stone, Lee-Gaye Hicketts, Monica Maloski, Jack Gervais, Ron Robinson, Ted Tom

### New President's Report:

- Current issues to be addressed this year include:
  - Revenue - a director for the raffle would be excellent this year; increases in registration fees and carding this year
  - Declining Registrations - happening everywhere in all sports and schools
  - Concessions - committee to look at raising prices, will try to schedule as many tournaments as possible at Sports Centre to use the grill
  - Bodychecking - a discussion for Think Tank
  - Regional Midget Program - there would be 2 interior teams, similar to Junior B program, both advantages and disadvantages
  - Availability of Information - would like meeting minutes displayed on the web site and a bulletin board so all members can see what decisions are being made at the board
  - Coaches evaluations - new this year, will help with the selection process

### New Business:

- Make an amendment to the constitution to allow for a 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President

**Motion**

*To accept the amendment to the constitution to allow for a 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President by Rob Adkin, seconded by Tom Adkin*

**Motion Passed****Questions/Comments/Concerns from Members:**

- *Will there be hitting in house hockey this season?*

To be decided by OMAHA at their AGM. We are the only district in BC to not have bodychecking in house hockey.

- *What is the timeline for the Regional Midget Program - next season?*

Has to be passed by BCAHA at their AGM in September, may be too late to implement for next season.

- *What league will be left for the Midget Rep teams after the top AAA Midgets play at the Regional level?*

We will stay as AAA program, not sure what level of teams we will end up with in Midget Rep, may not have the same number of rep teams in Midget next season, will need to be discussed more at Think Tank.

- *How do parents get involved in the discussion on bodychecking in house?*

Address concerns and opinions in a letter to KMHA.

- *Can we set up a Goaltending Program to help develop our goalies?*

Would like to put on more regular goalie camps for next year.

- *Sinking registrations at the Initiation age level - we need fixed ice times and could try to get the Blazers to sponsor some of the program and drop the fees for Initiation A & B to make it more affordable*

We need to get the integrity of the Initiation program back on track, teach more specific skating skills, give more support to young coaches, will discuss more at Think Tank.

- *Decisions made at Think Tank affect everyone, are there enough experienced people on the board to properly make those decisions, do they know how the rest of the parents feel?*

Coaches were asked for input last year which helped; the people elected to the board have to be trusted to make those decisions.

- *Female Hockey was supposed to be promoted more last year, what can we do about getting the coaches selected earlier?*

It is a challenge to have a successful female program, but we are making strides in the right direction, out of 85 girls in KMHA last season only 12 (approximately) played on mixed teams. Getting coaches is a challenge on the mixed teams also.

- *Does KMHA have a mission statement:*

Yes. It could be looked at and changed to meet the new issues we face.

- *Have ice times changed in the last few years or have they always had 3:30 p.m. ice times? These are too early for most working families.*

We have always had 3:30 p.m. ice times and need them in order to fit all practices and games in. Judy has managed to get more 4 p.m. ice times instead of 3:30 for next season.

#### ***Motion***

*To adjourn meeting by Stan Burton, seconded by Charmaine Walden*

#### ***Motion Passed***

#### **Meeting Adjourned**