

Kamloops Minor Hockey Association
Annual General Meeting Minutes

Monday May 3rd, 2010

Meeting Called to order at 7:17pm by Jason Perris
125 Voting Members Present

Motion: to accept minutes from the Monday May 4th Annual General Meeting by Marty Gibbons, Seconded by Sheldon Morris.

Motion Adopted

Financial Report:

- Financials were available for review at the meeting, Mario Piva discussed the statements
- Revenues \$1,062,000 up \$15,000 over expenses
- Registrations, Tournament Fees and KIBIHT contributing factors
- Ice rentals once again biggest expense for KMHA

Questions from Members:

- *Could more skill development dollars be allocated towards the Initiation Program?* Yes, skill development is an on going priority for KMHA
- *What helped the increase in revenue for concessions?* Theft was an issue in the past that has been better this past year, use of concession at Mac Island with sales of Hamburgers and more hot foods, also saw more events at Memorial arena
- *Why was sponsorship revenue's down?* Economy had an effect on sales. Would like to see a large sponsorship committee undertake increasing revenue.
- *Phone Charges of \$6500?* KMHA calls all over B.C., 4 lines and 2 fax machines. We are always looking for ways to save money and will continue to do so.

Head Coach Report:

- June Selection for coaches
- Goalie Camps
- 3rd annual coaches conference coming up
- Summer Camps saw good participation
- Looking at early September for try-outs
- Tier 4 program was new this year
- 5 coaching clinic's this year, one of the leading associations with getting coaches certified
- KMHA Player development camps and goalie camps with Dan DePalma and Andre Larouche
- Changes by OMAHA affected the start dates of the season and number of teams in the playoffs.
- 3 OMAHA Champions, Bantam Female A, Midget Female A and Pee Wee Tier 1. Midget Female A won provincials
- Looking at more skill development for Initiation Programs, have seen the program move in a very positive direction
- Tim Hortons Jamboree was a huge success

No Questions from members

Registrar's Report:

- Down 16 players from previous year, saw fewer overages and transfers
- Female program saw 180 total, 168 previous year so increasing numbers every year.
- 38 female in Initiation, 29 in Atom and 38 in Pee Wee

President's Report:

- Registration numbers 1310 total for the year, Female program, Initiation groups helped to grow the association as did the Midget program
- Financially another good year, we have a budget and do our best to follow. Saw \$23,000 come in from KIBIHT and \$15,000 from concessions
- HST comes into effect in July
- Saw two board members resign, one removed. Others stepped up to help fill the void.
- Tim Hortons Jamboree a great success, Thanks to Shannon Clark who organized, Tim Hortons and the volunteers. Great event.
- OMAHA changed the start date of the season, which caused alot of problems. KMHA opposed these changes, but is one vote out of 23 associations. Kamloops, Vernon and Kelowna were out voted. The change made scheduling difficult and saw many teams end their seasons early
- Attended AGM in mid January and made concerns known. President of OMAHA formed an ice committee, Judy Van Horlic attended, changes have been made and going back to the old schedule.
- KMHA was not at fault for these issues.
- In Town tournaments very sought after from out of town teams. We host good tournaments, as such get a great response for teams to attend.
- Female team- had to wait for BC Hockey to sanction a female zone. KMHA applied, it was denied, so it was too late (August) before we knew whether or not we would host the Zone team.
- Hands are tied by BC Hockey and OMAHA until they make their decisions.
- OMAHA AGM is May 29th
- If anyone has any questions, e-mail us and we will do our best to answer.
- **Question from Member:** *Who can attend OMAHA AGM?* Only the president and Vice president
- Unfortunate situation with Atom Crowchild team. Could not attend the tournament. New HCR Program was in place. BC Hockey Guidelines said we could not send the team. Had a meeting with the team. They were unerstandably upset. KMHA submitted 2 resolutions to BC Hockey. 1) to address the Crowchild Atom Team 2) allow Alternate players being used in the Rec Program.
- KMHA policy and guidelines will need to be changed
- Issues will be dealt with June 25th at BC Hockey AGM
- Atom Tiering- All OMAHA associations agreed on the Development program. Would have to get all 20 associations to change. **Floor:** Concerns Kelowna doesn't follow.

Questions from Members:

- *Will there be a C.C. ?* Depends on BC Hockey AGM in June
- Does anyone ask the membership what they want? Anyone in the membership can bring there issues to the board.

- Can't thank Sandy Bullock enough for her work with the concessions. Need the membership to support concessions
- Agreed to turn back Mac Park concessions back to the City. Will continue to operate at Memorial, Brock and Valleyview.
- City has agreed to waive the 20% "rent" all profits from those concessions go directly back to KMHA

Question from Member: *Health food choices in concessions?* Have not been a big seller in the past

- Hosted Thompson Blazers Major Midget program, KMHA asked for a territory change, this request was denied by BC Hockey.
- New Board will need to make a decision on whether or not to host the team. Kelowna has a much larger draw zone for the Okanagan team

Question from member: *What was asked for?* Vernon, 100 mile house and Williams Lake.

Floor: Member recommended not hosting the Major Midget team given the draw zone.

Question from member: *What was the response from membership to the e-mail on asking to host MM?* No actual numbers, mix of different responses.

- Think Tank is first week of June. Board will make a decision on MM at that time.

Question from member: *Do we have a KMHA representative on OMAHA? Can we get someone?* member: Yes, need a volunteer.

Question from member: *On Removal of 2 Directors, Board is voted on by membership, voted in to represent the membership? 75% of the board must vote to remove, felt it was not necessary to fill the positions and didn't.*

- BC Hockey Awards: Two awards from BC Amateur this year. Cindy O'Brien for dedication and KMHA Director Hannah Perris
- Congratulations to Female A team for winning Provincials, Bantam A for 2nd. Thank you to the Provincial Committee and to Pee Wee Tier 1 and Wayne Kirbyson for 2nd place showing.
- Declare not running for President of KMHA, applying at the BC Hockey level.
- Jon Pankuch and Ian Shaw-MacLaren, recommend them for these positions to stay on
- Thank you to the membership, met a lot of great people and would do it again. I look at it as a "we" are KMHA, people on the board being all the same and equal.

- **Retirement of the 2009/2010 Board of Directors**

Election of Officers and Directors:

Election of Officers:

President: Jon Pankuch

1st Vice President: Ian Shaw MacLaren

2nd Vice President: Kirt Harrison

3rd Vice President: Kris Webb

Treasurer: Dean Clark

Registrar: Kathie Fidanza

Secretary: Lee-Gaye Hicketts

Welcome from new President: Jon Pankuch

- Like to thank the past executive, directors and Jason Perris

Directors: Tom Beefurt, Shane Steptoe, Leslie Moser-Fidanza, Antonio Fidanza, Janice Ewart, Janet Blower, Ken Ward, Paddy Nicholson, Laura Strong, MJ Brunno, Robyn Russo, Kevin Herndier, Ranjad Toor, Nicole Rugolo, Kathleen Pryor, Scott Larson, Reid Hammer-Jackson, Hannah Perris

New Business: Recreational Body Checking

Floor: Objections to the rule of having body checking in recreational hockey in the Pee Wee and Bantam Levels.

Floor: Concerned about the education, lots of concerns for the safety of kids, not necessary to have body checking in these divisions. Kids are quitting hockey because of body contact in rec hockey.

- KMHA should be pro active and not reactive.
- Education and training of coaches to properly teach body contact is of most importance.
- No proof that body checking is hurting registration
- Would take the issue to the membership for feedback and a decision on whether or not to keep body checking would be made at Think Tank

Meeting adjourned at 10:55pm