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#### EXECUTIVE MEETING November 9, 2015 7 pm Queen's Park Board Room MEETING MINUTES

- Roll call: Rob, Vandy, Kurt, Pete, Dave, Lynda, Kelly, Desiree, Jeff, Bud, Daniel, Jennifer, Christel, Janet, Greg
  Regrets: Barb, Tracy, Kevin, Ross
- 2 Guest Speaker: Nigel Shackles, President of Seafair Minor Hockey.
- 3 Adoption of Minutes of:
  - 3.1 October 19, 2015 **Motion:** Jen; Second: Daniel. Carried.
  - 3.2 October 27, 2015 **Motion:** Lynda, Second: Kelly. Carried.
- 4 Business arising:
  - 4.1 Hometown Hockey (Daniel). Theme: *Paint the town red* I Love Hockey/ I Love New West. 3 day event. 13-15 tractor trailers here on site. Friday evening/Sunday events are the big ones. Will give us some swag for the Herb House tournament. 5 teams have a cheer competition. Some plans starting to take shape: Friday 3-5:30pm open QPA for public skate in jerseys (H2 and Midget A2 will lose their ice.) No filming for broadcast. Then, Bantam and Midget games. Possibly food trucks? Youth Lounge set up with Xbox games, etc. Canucks game on that evening. Saturday—all programmed with kid activities roughly 11-6. Sunday Ron MacLean shows up. Live game they are showing is Philadelphia vs New York. Challenges 3 days to get crowds out and it's Valentine's Day.
- 5 Correspondence:
  - 5.1 Randy Horton, regarding RIC position. **Motion** to pay "Referee Shadows" \$15/game up to the budgeted amount of \$1500. Motion: Greg; Second: Pete. Carried. **Action:** Bud to check into other RICs. Will let Kelly and Rob know.
  - 5.2 PCAHA Rep team Placement Juvenile Flight 2, Midget Flights 2 & 5, Bantam Flight 3, PeeWee Flight 6, Atom Flights 1 & 4
- 6 New Business:
  - 6.1 Board functions:
    - 6.1.1 Board of Governors (Policy and Financial)
    - 6.1.2 Executive committee (Management reports)
    - 6.1.3 Process to speed up meetings (Written update in advance) **Action:** Please send in your written report on Friday/Saturday to Vandy and Rob. Rob will send a notice out on Friday.
- 7 Reports:
  - 7.1 President (Rob)
    - 7.1.1 PCAHA Presidents Caucus

-Final Four Hosts required. **Action:** DMs – consider the quality of your teams and whether we would want to host
-Midget A and Juvenile A Scholarship host needed



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- -BC Hockey requesting volunteers for the Recruitment Committee
- -Next PCAHA meeting will be a special AGM, need an increase in the legal fees budget
  - -Cross ice guidelines circulated and passed along to Desiree
- -Tournament/Jamboree permission to host is required, some associations forgetting and only clearing with BC Hockey. Also, a report is due to PCAHA within 7 days of tournament completion.
- -RIS and HCSP, check expiry as some will end January-March, need to repeat by Dec 1
- 7.1.2 PCAHA Presidents C League Meeting
  - -Championship Days, booked March 5 & 6, 2016 at RIC. Will need volunteers.
  - Midget C Scholarship tournament Dec 7-12, NW gave ice on Dec 11, 7:45-9:45pm QPA
  - -Midget C scholarship applications will be sent to teams via the league manager
  - -Looking for a replacement for Ross Young who would like to retire
  - -H2 cross-ice discussion and request that we document how we run the games. 3-3, 4-4 etc. This is a learning year and we want to see what challenges may come up. NWMHA will be using coaches at blue line.
  - -Goalie promotion required. Many associations, us included, are running out of goalies in higher divisions.
  - -Certifications. Request that associations get on top of this ASAP to ensure compliance. **Action:** Janet will let team officials know such that they can do the courses ahead of time.
- 7.1.3 PCAHA Balancing Committee
  - -Midget, being monitored
  - -Bantam, balanced
  - -Peewee, balanced
  - -Atom, balanced
  - -H3-H4 balanced
- 7.2 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President (Dave): nothing new to report. Just working on Giants, Friday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2016. **Action:** Rob to work on wording for linkage to Hometown Hockey
- 7.3 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President (Daniel):
  - 7.3.1 Xmas tournament (Dec 27-30). 18 teams confirmed. Holding 2<sup>nd</sup> committee mtg on Thursday. Thank you to Leanne Piendl for doing the tournament schedule again. We have some additional



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volunteer slots – Vandy, Kelly and Lynda will help. 90% of teams have sent in their information. Schedule will go out in a couple of weeks.

- 7.3.2 Spring tournament expressions of interest from 16 teams, including a couple of teams from outside the Lower Mainland
- 7.4 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President (Tracy). Absent. (Attending a webinar.) Report submitted.
  - 7.4.1 Picture schedule all set
  - 7.4.2 Social Night is slow to plan
  - 7.4.3 Working on CRCs
- 7.5 Treasurer (Kurt): NW City Grant application has been submitted. Distributed operating statement to October 31, 2015.
- 7.6 Registrar (Janet):
  - 7.6.1 Working on clinic updates for the A teams. Most teams okay. Have until December 1<sup>st</sup>. Will work on C teams next. Have until December 15<sup>th</sup>.
  - 7.6.2 New registrant for H1. Interest from players of older ages as well.
- 7.7 Secretary (Vandy). Nothing to report.
- 7.8 Coach Coordinator
  - 7.8.1 Two separate complaints regarding coach conduct towards an official. One resulted in a suspension. Expect these to be one off incidents as both the coaches in question do not have any incidents of this nature on record. I have sent a reminder to all coaches regarding conduct towards officials and shared information and the link to the official PCAHA Referee complaint procedure.
  - 7.8.2 One complaint from a parent about one of our service providers using inappropriate language towards one of the Atom players. Service provider management was notified immediately. The parent, DM and myself had a meeting with the SP to discuss the incident and after investigating it seems like there was a misunderstanding on what was actually said. Since there was no past history of any similar incidents of this nature and due to our past positive relationship with the SP we resolved the issue.
  - 7.8.3 One complaint about coaches using the plexi-glass and boards to draw drills on. This is causing unnecessary damage and rink staff are having to spend a lot of time cleaning up the mess. I sent an email to all coaching staff regarding the complaint reminding coaches that head coaches have a stipend to purchase coaching supplies to purchase white boards or special pens that will write on the ice. I'm hopeful the message will resolve the issue but rink staff will be more diligent looking to narrow down who may be causing the problems.



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- 7.8.4 **Projects:** Service Provider Market Sound Have organized a small focus group and will be working with Rob, Barb and Kurt to engage different hockey development service providers to provide a quote for services. The project group will meet to design the material to send to the market, analyze and evaluate any proposals and bring any recommendations forward to the Board. *Timeline Mid-January and complete end of March*.
- 7.8.5 Team Selection Policy Project Pete to strike a committee to review the policies related to Team Selection. The committee will consist of DMs with A teams, Coach Coordinator and President. Coach Coordinator to chair. *Timeline Complete by mid-January*.
- 7.9 Equipment Manager (Kevin): Absent. No report.
- 7.10 Ice Allocator (Lynda): 22 conflict games to reschedule (and still waiting for 4 teams to send in their info) with no extra ice available. **Action:** DMs make sure teams return ice to her if there is a conflict. She needs it!
- 7.11 Referee-in-Chief (Vacant): No report.
- 7.12 Referee Allocator (Kelly):
  - 7.12.1 Spoke to a few people about doing shadowing. Many will.
  - 7.12.2 Have all new officials on assignr now. All have their referee numbers.
  - 7.12.3 Spoke to Paul Willing about moving 5 officials up to line Bantam games.
- 7.13 Division Managers:
  - 7.13.1 H1-2 (Desiree) H1 doing fine; H2 had balancing game yesterday. Balancing report been submitted. Cross-ice feedback is quite positive. **Action:** will provide feedback to PCAHA.
  - 7.13.2 H3-4 (Jeff) teams are balanced and begin league play this weekend.
  - 7.13.3 Atom (Barb) Atom A1 lost their appeal so will remain in flight 1. A2 is in flight 4 and the coach says they have been competitive with the teams in this flight; C teams played each other over the weekend and tied 4-4. C2 team's goalie wants to play part-time goalie, so there is a rotation happening. This has resulted in some large score differences.
  - 7.13.4 Peewee (Bud) C teams deemed balanced. Both will be in Gold Group. A1 moved from Flight 5 to Flight 6. A2 in Flight 8.
  - 7.13.5 Bantam (Greg) C teams deemed balanced. C1 in Gold Group, C Green Group, C3 in Orange Group. A team in Flight 3.
  - 7.13.6 Midget (Jennifer) C teams deemed not balanced. From Rob:
    Excellent report (5-6 pages) submitted to Balancing Committee.
    C1 Blue Group, C2 Gold Group, C3 Blue Group. A1 in Flight 2.
    A2 in Flight 5.



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- 7.13.7 Juvenile (Christel) Coach has been given a suspension because of player fighting.
- 7.13.8 Past President (Ross) Absent. No report submitted.
- 8 Meeting adjourned at 8:57pm.
- 9 Date of Next Meeting: December 14, 2015 at QP Board Room.