NEW WESTMINSTER MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE MEETING

Monday, November 9, 2020 7:00pm

Zoom call

- 1. Roll Call: Kurt, Mark, Lynda, Dale, Desiree, Mavra, Christiana, Nancy, Bill, Frank, Brad, Kelly, Manny, Janet, Heather, Jeff, Tom
- 2. Regrets: Mike, Danielle
- 3. Adoption of minutes: 1st Lynda, 2nd Dale. Carried
- 4. Business Arising:
- 5. Correspondence:
- 6. New Business: Extending no hockey until Friday November 13, 2020 Midnight. We will revisit after that. 1st Dale, 2nd Bill. Carried

7.1 President (Jeff):

Working on Covid

7.2 1St Vice President (Tom):

Sponsorship for the 2020/2021 season is doing fairly well so far as we have 7 sponsors back this year from last year with a couple that are still looking into their finances and will get back to me. So it's a successful start with everything that's going on right now.

7.3 2nd Vice President (Desiree):

Tournament Coordinator Report

No Tournaments for this season

Covid Communications

What has been done this month:

- Ongoing weekly communication with the city to address any issues and concerns as we continue to adjust our guidelines for game play.
- Updated guidelines were distributed and revised on the website.

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- A managers guide for games (includes guidelines to make check in easier) has been developed and distributed.
- A guide for referees coming to QPA has been developed, distributed and posted on the website.
- Revised all Check-in google sheets to filter the responses alphabetically to make check in a little easier.
- Guidelines for practices and games were posted at QPA. I have not printed them off for MPA.
- I received a proposal for Live streaming from the Peewee C2 team.
 - It was forwarded to the city.
 - The arena manager told us to go ahead as he felt our proposal was quite sound
 - I decided to proceed cautiously with allowing only the peewee C2 team to do this on a trial basis to work out any kinks.
 - I've been working with Bill and Kelly to figure out how we will address this for referees.
 - The legal department of the city has created a release of liability that they would like our association to sign to continue with live streaming.
 - I have informed the peewee C2 team to discontinue all live streaming until
 we as an executive have reviewed all aspects of this and decided if we are
 going to take on all the potential risks of going ahead with this.
 - The city also expects us to monitor exactly who has permission to livestream and when. One of the Peewee C2 parents has volunteered to take this on.
 - o I have attached:
 - Original proposal
 - The parents letter developed by Peewee C2
 - The livestreaming release developed by peewee c2 print and google forms versions
- To Do List
 - Revise and update BC Hockey Member plan and NWMHA Safety Plan and Guidelines
 - Post Guidelines at MPA.
 - Live Streaming
 - Discuss
 - Get legal advice...
 - Revise the protocols to include responsibilities as to who is is managing information etc

Current COVID situation in Fraser Health:

I am aware of an outbreak at STM in the last week. STM will be doing online learning only for the next week due to this (possibly longer).

In my opinion I think it would be responsible and smart of us to shut down all activities until Nov 23rd in line with some of the other associations in the Fraser Health area.

7.4 3rd Vice President (Frank):

7.5 Treasurer (Kurt):

See attached Operating Statements for the period ended October 31, 2020. Adoption of financials: 1st Desiree, 2nd Lynda. Carried

7.6 Secretary (Mark):

7.7 Coach Coordinator (Mike):

7.8 Ice Allocator (Lynda):

Having a bit of a break at the moment with the first cohort winding down and now with the shut down of indoor sports by Dr. Bonnie Henry. Things went relatively well with the first cohort even with losing ice to the filming. I found the teams, managers and city very accommodating and accepted what was available which made my job so much easier.

7.9 Equipment Manager (Dale):

- 1. 25 Safety Bags have been created and distributed to all the teams, extra supplies exist and are available at Queens Park. The new kits include:
 - a. Disposable face masks
 - b. Hand sanitizer
 - c. Disposable gloves
 - d. Antibacterial wipes
 - e. Helmet repair kit
 - f. Skate Stone
 - g. Safety Bag
- 2. 52 new jersey bags arrived, the new bags have the new division names printed on them. They will replace the existing bags at the end of the season

- 3. Hockey Shop still has outstanding order for socks, including:
 - 116 pairs of Junior Socks
 - 13 pairs of Intermediate Socks
- 4. Ordered/pending 19 new jersey's @ cost of \$77.50ea, to replace lost and damaged ones over the last couple years.

7.10 Registrar (Janet):

7.11 Referee-in-Chief (Bill):

REFEREE-In-Chief REPORT

This past month I have gotten 2 more officials graded to work U15 games and have 1 more to go of the officials that are currently certified.

Currently, we only have 25 officials certified. More clinics are in the works so I am hoping that more will take the opportunity to recertify. COVID-19 has definitely been a factor for those that I have talked to that do not want to officiate this year. I am hopeful that they will come back next year.

I have finalized our clinic for first time officials with BC Hockey. This includes the curriculum outline and resources as I will be conducting the clinic this year with the help of Kelly. We are scheduled to have the clinic on Sunday, November 29, 2020. We just need to determine the ice time that we will require and will work with Lynda on this.

Through coaching, officiating and third party observation, I have been working with Desire on how we can streamline some of the COVID-19 protocols and procedures for games, specifically the officials. As with everything else, we will continue to monitor and make changes as we see fit, or dictated by an outside authority.

The association purchased gaiters (neck style facial coverings) to be handed out to the officials, 2 each. Half of the current certified officials have received them. I was hoping to get quite a few handed out on Saturday night at the U15C1 versus U15C2 game, but unfortunately that game was cancelled. I will be working towards getting these to the officials whether it be at their game/practice times, or to have passed along by their coaches in time for when we start back up again. New officials will also be given two gaiters at the clinic.

7.12 Referee Allocator (Kelly):

I have been in contact with Ron Booth about the new referee clinic. It is scheduled for Nov. 29th. Bill and I will be running it this year. I will be getting an ice time for the on-ice portion of the course for that day.

It has been hard filling referee shifts because of COVID but I have been able to get them filled. It was very sad that we had to cancel all the games that we did for November but hopefully when we are able to start up again we will have more officials re-certified and willing to officiate this season.

Division Managers:

1. U6/U7 Mayra:

U7 Report

We have two teams playing as follows:

U7, C1 has 12 players in the Wednesday practice at Queens Park 4:30pm; 9 players in the Saturday U7 1:45pm practice at Queens Park; and 3 players who are temporarily joining the Saturday U6 3:30pm practice at Queens Park.

U7, C2 has 13 players in the Monday Moody Park 3:45pm practice; 9 players in the Saturday U7 1:45pm practice at Queens Park; and 4 players who are temporarily joining the Saturday U6 3:30pm practice at Queens Park.

Each team has 1 head coach and 2 assistant coaches who all have their certifications

There are also 3 Safety people on each team, all have done criminal record checks and are in the process of getting HC#s and completing their courses.

Families are currently happy with the breakdown.

U6 Report

One team of 10 players.

6 players from U7 are joining Saturday practices.

RPM has been showing up consistently now.

1 head coach and 1 assistant coach with certifications & 2 safety people all with certifications.

No concerns from the team/manager to share right now.

2. U8/U9 (Brad):

<u>U8</u>

- Nothing new to report

<u>U9</u>

- Added two more players. One international player. Total of 25 players split into two teams.

3. U11(Heather):

The u11 A1 team has been in game play with their cohort and have won 2 and lost 2 games.

The 3 u11 C teams were placed in a cohort together by PCAHA and have each played each other. Despite efforts to create teams with an even distribution of ages, experience, and skill, discrepancies in team ability were evident immediately. Given that the players were in a cohort, permission to make player moves was provided. Coaches and Managers met to collaborate on redistribution decisions which are currently underway.

4. U13 (Christiana):

All the U13 teams were formed successfully. The two C coaches are happy with the team formation and how the teams have performed in games so far.

All 3 teams are through their first cohort of games and are now on their 2 week breaks. The 2 C teams were in the same cohort.

U13 A1 is currently in first place with 3 wins 2 loses and 1 tie.

U13 C1 is currently in second place with 2 wins 3 loses and 1 tie.

U13 C2 is currently in first place with 4 wins 2 loses and 0 ties.

No major penalties or suspensions that I am aware of.

We will await instruction on the next set of games or lack or from PCAHA.

5. U15 (Nancy):

Nothing to report

6. U18 (Danielle):

One player has left from C team. Nothing more to report.

- 7. U21 Manny:
- 8. Past President (Rob):

Motion to adjourn: 8:20pm Motion: 1st Frank, 2nd Tom. Carried