



WBMHA Executive Committee Meeting May 18th, 2021

Wasaga Beach Minor Hockey Association
Box 351, Wasaga Beach, ON L9Z 1A4

MINUTES OF THE MAY 18th 2021 REGULAR MEETING

The Regular Meeting of the Wasaga Beach Minor Hockey Association Executive Committee was held Sunday May 18th, 2021 Via Zoom.

ATTENDANCE

Ralph Faiella President
Tony Turner Vice President
Cheryl McNally Secretary
Tanya Graver Treasurer
Erin Pozzebon Registrar
Tony Markic OMHA Rep
John Wyville Local League Rep
Amy Smith Fundraising Chairperson
Ken MacDonald Association Coach Liaison
Heather Gibson Parent Rep/Bond hour Scheduling
Michael Dopp Kitchen Manager/ Purchasing
Rick Collins Equipment Manager
Jamie Barnett Past President

Absent

none

1.a. CALL TO ORDER

#21-05-01

Discussion. Nil.

Moved By: John Wyville
Seconded By: Amy Smith

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the May 18th 2021 Regular meeting of the Executive Committee of the Wasaga Beach Minor Hockey Association is in session at 7:02PM

Carried

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1.b. Approval of Agenda

#21-05--02

Discussion.

Moved By: Tanya Graver
Seconded By: John Wyville

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda of the meeting of May 18th, 2021 of the Wasaga Beach Minor Hockey Association Executive Committee was approved.

Carried

1.c. Previous Minutes – May 7th, 2021 Turnover Meeting

#21-05-03

Discussion Draft minutes of the April 9th, 2021 Turnover Meeting had been sent electronically to the attendees by the association's outgoing secretary for review. Need previous Minutes supplied by outgoing secretary from 2020-2021 modified season No further discussion was required. The signed minutes will be posted to the website by the Vice President.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT minutes of the meeting on May 7th, 2021 are approved as presented.

Moved By: Erin Pozzebon
Seconded By: Ken MacDonald

Carried

2. Incoming President's Address

Ralph Faiella introduced himself as President and invited all incoming to introduce themselves. This year, the Executive committee should work together as a team to ensure all children enjoy playing hockey in Wasaga Beach. The President advised the Executive we will follow Perry's Rules of Order to expedite meetings and the President also give Executive members time to review motions by submitting motions to the secretary 1 week prior to meetings, to be sent out with an agenda for review of executive members in order to prepare for meetings in advance. the 1st person to speak on any motion will be the person who has brought forth the motion, discussion will begin at that point. Heated discussions will be halted and if members cannot resume in a calm manner, they will be asked to leave the meeting at that point. In camera minutes are to be kept and filed.

2.b. Introductions #21-05-04 Ralph Faiella President

Tony Turner Vice President
Cheryl McNally Secretary
Tanya Graver Treasurer
Erin Pozzebon Registrar
Tony Markic OMHA Rep
John Wyville Local League Rep
Amy Smith Fundraising Chairperson
Vacant Referee in Chief
Ken McDonald Association Coach Liaison

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Heather Gibson Parent Rep/Bond hour Scheduling
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Discussion: **Vice President** addressed the Executive, noting he is excited to be a part of the WBMHA executive, and is looking forward to working with a group focused on improving WBMHA, noting his specific focus will be improving tournaments.

Registrar spoke about a focus of getting WBMHA online for registrations, hopeful for it to happen for the upcoming 2021-2022 season, and has been looking into multiple options to best support ease of registration for both members and Executive.

Secretary said documents will be distributed as requested, and share info as required. **OMHA Representative** -see appendix 2.b(1)

Part 2 of zoom session begins at 8:15pm

Equipment manager spoke about new jerseys and will provide samples for executive to preview at next in person meeting. Rick uses all canadine suppliers for jerseys, due to pandemic Players will be required to bring their own water bottles for the upcoming season.

Kitchen Manager looking forward to having tournaments again and hopeful for a successful season, has offered help to any executive as needed.

Coach Liaison Excited to be a part of WBMHA, looking to help Coaches become better coaches with support and information. Supporting coaches creates better Hockey players for WBMHA. **Fundraising** spoke has multiple ideas for fundraising, and has been looking into suppliers for apparel. Possible Flip Give opportunity for WBMHA, Past president stated she has an envelope to turn over to fundraising.

Parent Rep looking forward to learning and supporting members as needed, previous parent rep to support and share information.

LL Rep Is looking forward to the upcoming season. gave thanks to whoever ran the YOUTUBE live stream in our Arena this past season. Job will be to get the Local League teams rostered and thinks communication between Georgian Bay and WBMHA is key.

Treasurer responsible for all accountings. Treasurer keeps accurate records to ensure WBMHA funds are handled correctly, Has signing authority on accounts.

Past President Happy to help and answer questions for new and returning Members. Would like to discuss posting of AGM that was held April 25th, 2021.

Part 3 of the Zoom session begins at 8:55pm-Rick Collins did not return.

2.c

Motion to have AGM recording posted on WBMHA website.

Motioned By: Jamie Barnett
Second By: NONE

TABLED: Video of AGM held on April 25th, 2021 to be posted on WBMHA website once Legal Council has been contacted. Decision will be made at Next Executive General Meeting.

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3. Criminal Record Checks

#21-05-05

All executives will require an updated CRC, please forward the President two copies of photo ID front and back with original signature. If you are unable to print from home forward your ID to the secretary to be printed.

4. By-Laws/Rules of Operation

#21-05-06

President noted there has not been an update since the 2018-2019 season, By-Laws/Rules of Operation need to be reviewed and updated to reflect current standards, the removal of the gate attendant position, possibly remove the rule of Executive members being free of Bankruptcy, Social Media and inclusiveness policies to be updated.

Discussion:

30 days prior to the next AGM will have drafted new By-Laws/Rules of Operation must be posted for review by members to be Voted on at next AGM.

5. Committees

#21-05-07

i. Abuse and Harassment –

Executive would like to see non-members on this committee. To keep emotions and relationships with in WBMHA out of all decision-making regarding Abuse and Harassment,

ii. Disciplinary Committee

The Executive would like to have the Abuse and Harassment Committee and the Disciplinary Committee one in the same.

iii. Fundraising Committee

Fundraising to have Committee names ready for the next meeting.

iv. Coaching Committee

Coach Liaison to have Committee names ready for the next meeting.

v. Kitchen Committee

Kitchen Committee to have Committee names ready for next meeting

Discussion: Past President noted Disciplinary committee and Abuse and harassment should be chaired Independently of the executive. The Abuse and Harassment committee has not been implemented for the previous 3 years and needs to be implemented ASAP.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Executive will determine a chair to put together the Abuse and Harassment and Disciplinary Committees. Secretary to be at all meetings to keep minutes. Outside Help welcome on all committees.

Moved by: Tony Turner

Second by: Cheryl McNally

Carried

5. WBMHA Employees

#21-05-08

5.a. Referee in Chief

Discussion: All referees should be approached, Treasurer questioned why Previous 2020-2021 season referee in Chief was approached as it is an appointed position, Past President noted she is the ex-wife of previous referee in Chief and there was confusion as to weather it was agreed as a two-year term or one year term, Past President noted she had a conversation with past R.I.C. regarding the current president's conversation with the R.I.C. The President reached out to 2020-2021 RIC asked if the interest or intent was still there and was told no, Past R.I.C. was no longer interested.

5.b. Ice Convener

Discussion: President reached out to previous Ice Convener of 2019-2021 and was advised the interest was still there in holding that position. Amount of pay to be discussed as Ice Convener is a paid position. Jobs will need to be re-evaluated and compensation will need to be discussed as the job responsibilities have changed.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the positions of Referee in Chief and Ice Convener be advertised on the WBMHA website and applicants will be reviewed and evaluated. Positions will be posted on Website and in the Newspaper,

Moved By: Ken MacDonald

Seconded By: Tony Turner

Carried

6 Minutes from 2020-2021 season

#21-05-09

Discussion: Families have requested the minutes be made public from the previous 2020-2021 season

BE IT RESOLVED THAT in Term secretary from last season forward the 2020-2021 seasons Executive meeting minutes to Vice President to be posted on the WBMHA website.

Moved by: Jamie Barnett

Seconded by: Tony Turner

Carried

6. Proposal of Web Master Position

#21-05-10

Register proposed that WBMHA add the position of Web Master, but that the position must be held by someone with a specific skill set. Our Web Site needs to be updated and information provided to the members quickly.

Discussion: None

Moved By: Erin Pozzebon

Second By: John Wyville

Carried

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Adjournment

.#21-05-11

Discussion There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30pm.

Moved By: John Wyville

Seconded By: Ken MacDonald

Carried

Ralph Faiella

Ralph Faiella, President

Cheryl McNally

Cheryl McNally, Secretary

Upcomming Meetings

June 8th, 2021 7pm

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Appendix 2.b(1)

I want to start by saying thank you to everyone who stepped up this year and especially to the new faces to our team. It's been tough the past couple of seasons with a skeleton crew on the executive and covid definitely didn't make things any easier.

I sent an email to everyone with a calendar and some reading material from OMHA detailing the timeline for the upcoming season as well as some rules and regulations that we have to abide by. Ken, you'll see the requirements for coaches in each division as well, keep that in mind for coach selection because it's unknown at this point if new clinics will be offered in time to start the season.

Some of the information may not involve your portfolio, But it is good for everyone to be somewhat in the know so when people start complaining they understand that these are OHF rules not WBMH .. We just need to follow them or we run the risk of sanctions and fines which in the end cost all of us.

For the new executive members you'll quickly learn that WBMH has little decision making when it comes to rules and regulations.. We are tasked with implementing the program in a fair and equitable manner. TRUST ME when I say we will not satisfy everyone's vision of what hockey is and be prepared for the peanut gallery.

Hockey Canada and the OMHA have no answers right now in terms of how the season will start so I think it may be in our best interest to be prepared for the possibility of another Covid year. It all depends on the government and public health.

Having said that, if all goes well over the next few months and we see a return to "normal" hockey the timelines detailed in the calendar will apply. It can be confusing because the calendar counts days after Labor Day because each year is different.

Some key points to keep in mind assuming we are back to traditional hockey.

Follow the calendar and prep phase prior to any tryouts

WBMH must offer a prep phase available to all players prior to any tryouts or evaluations. keep that in mind for ice costs at registration.

The OMHA reasoning for this is because many players may have been off the ice for a long time it will give them an opportunity to get rust off blades without pressure of a tryout ect.

LL evaluations begin once rep teams confirmed, see calendar for dates

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PTS and NRP requests are on the website if anyone asks, they are not ready yet from OMHA. The requests get sent directly to me through the website and I issue them. The NRP are hard copy originals so I will arrange for delivery

NRP rules are very strict. a player can only get 1 per season.

Gamesheets Inc. .. Ipads should be in the arena safe. Everyone needs to go on their website and take the tutorial. I set these up when they first came out but we all have to be prepared to answer questions and teach the membership how to use them. Once coaches and bench staff are selected they will need to be given a refresher as well.

Need to confirm total number of teams so I can submit batch registration with OMHA deadline is June 7

At my last GBMHL meeting a vote was made to eliminate door fees across the whole league. I can only assume GBTLL will follow suit. This will be a 26k hit to our association but when you factor how much some families pay for door fees home and away it's not as bad unless you have 3 kids in minor hockey. Erin??

WMBH received a bit of a refund for insurance because of our shortened season. Treasurer will get updates on that as they come in.

After September 10 any player found participating in non-sanctioned events will be subject to suspension. I provided a copy of the memo.

There will be no more OMHA playdowns as we know them. For a number of reasons, cost, ice availability, travel demands, never ending season ect. More emphasis will be placed on winning the GBMHL title at which point the team will be invited to represent GBMHL at the OMHA championships weekend tournament where an OMHA champ will be decided for each center grouping. This will replace the best of five elimination series to the finals.

There are ongoing discussions about how to run some kind of modified league should covid restrictions be in place. It is too early to predict and no one has a clear answer. It could very well be a repeat of last season.

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Quick note. Last year we discussed putting out a thank you to all the businesses and sponsors that supported us during the covid season. We sent a message out to the coaches to take some pictures of the kids wearing the jerseys that show the sponsors name. We were hoping to put together a video tribute to all the sponsors that supported the kids and put it on our website as well as an email link sent to the membership as a show of gratitude. The video can show a variety of action pictures but at the very least the logo of the business or photo of the storefront ect. with a big thank you.

Our local business owners and sponsors do it because they want to give back to their communities but let's be honest... with no spectators their businesses were not very well advertised and didn't have much of a return on their advertising dollar. This would be a nice gesture and possibly help with motivating future sponsors to come forward in the upcoming season. We will definitely need the help to cover the gate fee shortfall. Ideally this would have been done at the end of last season but without a fundraising chair and barely enough executive to run the season I think we were all exhausted to take on the task

