



PMAHA Executive Meeting Minutes

Date: June 20, 2023
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Location: Virtual Meeting via Zoom

Called By: Stephanie Naqvi	Present: Stephanie (Steph) Naqvi, President; Allen Wales, First VP; Torben Nelson, Second VP; Jen Pobran, Treasurer; Dave Zille, Communications Manager; Daniel Pires, Tournament Coordinator; Mike Cornish, Facilities Manager; Cory O’Krainetz, Ice Coordinator; Chris Saranchuk, Coach Coordinator C Teams; Kerston Daley, Secretary Regrets: Trevor Nolan, Referee-In-Chief (non-voting member); Ryan MacDougall, Equipment Manager; Grant Morrison, Risk Manager; Adam Yap, Coach Coordinator A Teams
Chair: Stephanie Naqvi	
Recorder: Kerston Daley	

1. Call to Order/Quorum

Steph Naqvi called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. She confirmed that quorum was achieved, and the meeting may proceed.

2. Approval of Minutes

The members confirmed that they received and reviewed the draft minutes of the last meeting on May 30, 2023.

Approval: A request for a motion to approve the May 30, 2023, minutes as read was called by Steph Naqvi, moved by Dave Zille, seconded by Torben Nelson and passed unanimously.

3. President's Report

- Reminder that Whatsapp discussion is for general items and not for discussions about specific players.
- BC Hockey annual general meeting attended by Steph and Allen
 - Voted in new board members.
 - Some of the talks were interesting:
 - It was suggested that U13 and U15 do tryouts later.
 - There was a lot of discussion regarding mental health, which Allen will discuss in more detail later.
 - Junior A left BC Pacific Coast. Junior B now wants to move to Junior A. As an Association we can comment on this proposal. Comments can be provided to Steph now, or later. Steph is inclined to support the decision and does not see a drawback in supporting the move.

4. Vice President's Report

- BC Hockey annual general meeting. Event was very positive. Cory Hirsh did a presentation about his experience which was very interesting.
- Door Crasher prize draw. We are going to do it live with witnesses in this meeting. Vaughn Song won.
- Registration numbers:
 - 273.5 skaters, 20.5 goalies registered - 1 U11 goalie that wants to do part time, 58 new registrations, 28 outstanding returning players that haven't confirmed, 17 in learn to play that have not taken the extra step to register.
 - If all registered, we would have 398. Our target is 400. Still getting new registrations coming in. Registration numbers are pretty good and good on goalies.
 - Concerns:
 - There is a whole team of U18s that have not yet registered. We might have a better perspective on June 30th when \$100 discount expires. We have reached out to the unregistered players - 10 have not responded.
 - U15 is pretty tight for 4 teams with 14 per team. 2 players have not registered yet. There will be short benches.

- U13 we are oversubscribed, unless we find room for them in U11, we might have to turn them away or consider changing the roster numbers.
- In each of the other groups we have healthy numbers.
- Revenue side - nothing strange. We will provide an update when we have a better sense of what happens with the 28 missing returning players.

Proposal: Offer U9s the opportunity to tryout for U11 A. Players would have to place in the top 20, or A pool, after phase 1 of the evaluation process to be eligible for a spot on the A teams. Allen motioned, seconded by Daniel Pires. Passed unanimously.

- Tryout process. We need to finalize the ice schedule. Go back one more time with coaches and will then circulate for comment. There will not be one process for each age group. There is more of a bias to scrimmages in U18, less in U15, and a balance of the two in U13. We have to offer 4 ice development times to U11. There is a slightly different experience for each age group.
- Off ice programs. Last year we started to offer dryland. We are going to expand this training opportunity. Other off ice programs being considered as well, such as Zoom meetings to talk about nutrition or mental health or how to handle different circumstances. We want to expand our program to be more in line with developing our athletes. There is some cost attached, which we need to figure out before the ideas are officially presented. Feedback requested.
- Junior coaches program. Want to have older goalies be mentors and help with the development of initiation kids. We have done this on and off in hockey with some teams. The older kids have done this successfully in lacrosse. Idea is to get U18 player and attach to a team and the older player will help during practice and be an extra set of hands. We would like it to be a volunteer program as opposed to a paid program but this might be different with goalies – we are looking at recompensing goalies.

Proposal: To set up junior coaches program and in return we give the junior coach a coaching jacket at a cost of about \$100 per jacket. Motioned by Allen Wales. Seconded by Mike Cornish. No objections. Passed Unanimously.

- Propose a new standard for coaches. There is a mental health in sport module in NCCP that is free. From what we heard at the BC Hockey congress it would be good for all the coaches to go through something like this so that they can recognize kids that are dealing with challenges. We want the coaching coordinators to go through the process and assess it themselves and anyone

on the executive is encouraged to go through it and give feedback. We can then determine if we require coaches to go through it next year.

- Welcome Jacalyn. It has been a pleasure working with her. We are catching up on last year's documentation required by the league. We have a whole bunch of transferring players, in and out. There are international players as well that we have to manage through a waitlist. I have already started handing over responsibilities.
- Set up U11 Rep parents meeting for next Sunday. This is to explain to new parents rep hockey. There are a lot of U9s, and 16 that are wanting to tryout.

5. Treasurer's Report

- Pam and Jen will be preparing all the accounts and moving from Scotia to Van City. The process will start with Rep teams who start games first. Initiation will be the last teams transferred.
- Gaming grant has been submitted. We submitted it much later than other sports associations, so probably won't find out until August. But this couldn't be helped with us moving to TeamSnap.

6. Round Table

Dave Zille - Working on website in earnest and has made good progress. We will be moving our email to Gmail soon. This is a significant IT project because we have to prove we are a charity in order to receive services for free. Dave will be reaching out to everyone for feedback as we go on.

Allen Wales - Nothing extra.

Chris Saranchuk - Applications for coaches have been coming in. There is a good abundance for C coaches. U13 we might need one more depending on where kids land.

Cory O'Krainetz - Working on winter schedule and will send off to everyone soon. Feedback is welcome.

Daniel Pires - Daniel to sit down with Allen to go through some orientation items. We don't have to wait until September to get started and will have to get tournaments listed soon.

Jacalyn Brown - Trying to learn from Allen. The highest priority is getting the audit list back to PCAHA. Question regarding concussion awareness for a coach - who should she reach out to for this information. Per Steph, this should be automatically added.

Jen Pobran - Should meet with Allen and Dan to confirm where money should be sent for tournaments so it goes to the right email address. If it goes to Jen's email it gets deposited to the main account and it becomes a big mess. Allen to meet with Jen on the sponsorship piece as well. We continue to work on improving the way we process and track payments.

Kerston Daley - Confirming the date of November 19th for photos. Everyone is good with this date.

Mike Cornish - No updates on facilities management.

Mike has been working on goalie training. Met with Assertion goaltending, Erik Williams and Sheldon Berg. Previous provider, 360 Goaltending, is moving in a different direction. Assertion felt like a good fit and Sheldon can help with transition. Steph feels they are a good philosophical fit. We want to start working the training into practices, and also have goalie sessions but less often. Planning for 10 sessions for Rep teams and 5 for C teams. For the Rep teams, the extra 5 sessions would cost \$1,000 per team and would be included in team fees. Also plan to do a drop in option 4 times throughout the season as well.

Proposal: Motion to move forward with Assertion Goaltending Development as PMAHA goaltending consultants and follow the proposed fee schedule as presented (see Appendix A). Motioned by Mike Cornish. Seconded by Daniel Pires. Passed unanimously.

Torben Nelson- Nothing to discuss.

Stephanie Naqvi- Working on coordinators right now. Brittany House is not coming back as she is leaving Port Moody. Looking for initiation coordinator.

7. Next Meeting

Date: July 25 (New Executive)
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Location: Online Meeting via Zoom

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:09 p.m.