



PMAHA Executive Meeting Minutes

Date: July 25, 2023
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Location: Virtual Meeting via Zoom

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

1. Call to Order/Quorum

Steph Naqvi called the meeting to order at 7:07 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 June 20, 2023.

Approval: A request for a motion to approve the June 20, 2023, minutes as read was called by Steph Naqvi, moved by Dave Zille, seconded by Allen Wales and passed unanimously.

3. President's Report

- Have been working on confirming coordinators. There has been a little shuffling, but pretty much set.
- Cory and Steph attended a meeting outlining the U7 to U9 pathway. A document was sent out regarding the transition. There was some concern expressed that associations might stack a team. Steph thinks this is less of a concern with a smaller association like PMAHA. The other concern Cory brought to light is U6 does not usually have games, so we have not allocated ice time for games. This was communicated to Pacific Coast. Still figuring out how it will work.

4. Vice President's Report

- With the new U6-U9 pathway - we might need a try-out. Still figuring out the process.
- Registration number overview:
 - U11: The division is almost full. We have one spot left if we count the U13 playdowns. There are a healthy number of goalies in U11. For tryouts there are 37 skaters and 3 goalies.
 - U13: The division is full. We have a waitlist; however, our strategy is to put the new players in U11. There are 4 goalies for 4 teams. For tryouts there are 42 skaters. Maybe 30 out of 42 will get to play rep. There is at least one transfer player. The PMAHA policy is such that if a returning player turned up, a transfer player might get bumped so a transfer player does not lock down a roster spot at this point in July.
 - U15: 57 skaters and 5 goalies registered. U15 is probably going to have 3 short benches. For tryouts U15 has 29 skaters and 5 goalies. There are 12 first years. Having a short bench in U15 A2 is not optimal but it is not at a point where you want to scrap a team. Only 1 U15 player did not come back.
 - U18: Numbers are changing by the hour. The big question is if we are going to have a U18 A2 team. As of this discussion, we were at 30 skaters, potentially 31, and 3 goalies trying out. This morning I would have said we were too short, but at 31 skaters we are possibly at a viable stage. This could be a problem because we will be short one A coach. We will give it a couple more days for people to sign up and decide by Friday. We do have the option of operating the U18 A2 team as a house team and can allocate the extra ice to all the U18 teams for extra development. Determining if we have enough players affects ice scheduling.
 - 369 players have registered and paid the fees. The numbers look good, but they could be a little better. We lost a few players that would have been nice to retain – cannot quantify exactly how many we lost at this point but there is at least 10.
 - We are a little light on goalies in older ages. We do have one or two more goalies than we had last year.
 - We need to have a deadline for when returning players no longer get priority for a spot. Right now, they still have priority.

- Mental health. Sent a link on WhatsApp and Facebook and Instagram pages. Free course we would like coaches to go through. Recommend executive members complete the course.
- U11 Rep Parent meeting. The meeting was held by Allen, but he had computer problems and so the meeting was not recorded. Another meeting will be held before tryouts.
- Tryout process. Need to go through the updated process with Steph before it is presented to the board. The final process should be published before August 15th. A decision needs to be made – are we going to change the or roll last year's. The changes being looked at are based on feedback from Hockey Canada, our coaches, etc. The goal of the changes is to give more time to bubble players so they have a real opportunity to be watched because that is really where the decisions can go up or down. The more you watch those kids the more confident you are with your decision.

5. Treasurer's Report

- Continuing process of moving team accounts from Scotia to Vancity.
- No word on Gaming grant application. May have to wait until the end of August to hear.

6. Round Table

Stephanie Naqvi

- Equipment: Confirming we have sufficient equipment for the season. Ryan confirmed everything is in and socks will be in before the start of the season. Ryan is trying to figure out the goalie equipment because the initiation equipment is very old. Steph – depending on the amount of it we might need to get approved. Depending on how much we get from the bottles this could be used to purchase new goalie equipment and we could post a thank you on Facebook to Rotary for making it possible.
- Tournaments: Confirming tournaments have been posted to Hockey BC site. Daniel had some questions regarding tiering and just got feedback from Allen so we will be posting them tonight. Discussing the option of a C tournament in January. We have not decided if we are going to do it so that can be posted later. Do we want to stay on 1550 per tournament fees.
- Thank yous: Huge thank you to Daniel for taking care of the bottles and presenting it positively. Very much appreciated. Big thank you to Jacalyn for taking on the registrar role and Kerston for taking on secretary. Everyone is noticed and appreciated.
- Development: Jason M. is seeking to coach in Port Moody, preferably an A1 team. We could maybe think about U13A2. Steph spoke with Kurt about this because Kurt is the PMAHA Program Coordinator. If Kurt feels like there is a place for Jason to fit in, we can talk more about how this will work. We have had times where the U11 A2 team and U13 A2 teams feel a bit neglected, and we would like to be proactive versus reactive.

Dave Zille

- Email: Summer project was to transfer email to Gmail. Part of this process involved transferring the domain name which gives us complete control over the domain. The domain was owned by our previous provider so took a bit of work and finesse to get that moved over. We now have Google Workspace, which is Gmail plus apps, storage, etc. at no cost, making it a very budget friendly solution. So essentially, we have a Premium account with Google at no cost. In terms of Gmail, it is accessible from any device. And from an administrative perspective Dave can see who has logged in and who has not. All the spam filtering and other problems we have had over the year have been removed. There are a lot of other benefits with Google Workspace that we can take advantage of in years to come.
- Website: Another project being worked on is the website redesign. Dave has been in the process of that and has been heavily engaged with TeamSnap to give us the initial design. He has been tweaking specific aspects of the platform and configuration. It is now at the point where they will be handing over the keys of the car and from there Dave can start populating the site. He will be providing an update to Allen and Steph soon.

Allen Wales

- U18: As of right now we have 31 registered for U18 A. Need to discuss with Steph how coaches have been allocated because as of right now we do not have a coach for U18A2.
- Social Media: Board pictures have been going up on social media. Hopefully everyone is okay with their pictures. picture is to come – ‘Angry Allen’. Allen gives permission to poke fun – “it’s all about engagement”.
- Camps: Viability needs to be checked over the next week. Balance for camps is due on August 1st. We need to communicate a few things over the next week including schedule (but schedule not to be communicated until we have done the tryout policy). If we need to adjust some of those camps it has to be done in the next 2-3 weeks.
- Banners: Got some banners delivered late. We have four banners that have not yet gone up. We are going to try to move the Lacrosse banners up and to the right to create a whole new section for hockey banners. Should have enough space to last for the next ten years.

Adam Yap

- A Coaches confirmed:
 - U11 A1 – Kurt
 - U11 A2 – parent coach
 - U13 A1 – Blake
 - U13 A2 - Mark Larson (could move to U18A2)
 - U15 A1 - Dave Boyce
 - U15 A2 - Phillip is back
 - U18A1 - Chad is returning for another year.
- The biggest issue is figuring out numbers in U18A2.

- Chris question – where is Mark Larson going to go? Adam is thinking U18A2.

Chris Saranchuk

- Things are in flux. It is still a bit early to nail C coaches down. Nothing further.

Daniel Pires

- Nothing to discuss.

Jacalyn Brown

- Still working on the audit list, which is down to 3 players. Lots of paperwork! Thankful for Google Drive - next registrar will see all the paperwork saved there.

Kerston Daley

- Nothing to discuss.

Jen Pobran

- Nothing further to discuss.

7. Next Meeting

Date: August 8th
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Location: Online Meeting via Zoom

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:22 p.m.