



## IMHA Board of Directors Meeting

Via Zoom

Sunday, May 7, 2023

**MINUTES: APPROVED: June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

Present: Todd Copeland, Jeff Sutherland, Andrew Ward, Chris Dixon, Kerri Dixon, Kendra Bloomfield, Randy Sheaves, Andy Marshall, Brooke Ross, Mark Read, Paul Walkom, Bill Stevenson, Jeff Reid, Pat Conlin, Nick Cake, Scott Parker

1. AM made a motion to begin the meeting. 2<sup>nd</sup> by BR. Carried.
2. KB made a motion to **approve the minutes** from the April 23<sup>rd</sup> and April 30<sup>th</sup> IMHA Board meeting. 2<sup>nd</sup> by PW. Carried.
3. RS made a motion to approve the following **cheques for processing**:
  - Kendra Bloomfield \$1,719.00 (Food for Banquet)
  - Registration Refund \$775.00 (22/23 season)
  - MMC \$3,291.53 (Ice & Space Rental)
  - Registration Refund \$306.24 (23/24 season)

Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by AM. Carried.

4. TC welcomed Nick Cake to the board and returning members. This year there has not been a lot of turnover on the board. TC restated that this will be his last year with the board. TC is willing to mentor a new president in the past president role throughout his last season on the board.

*President* – one applicant. BS made a motion to accept Andy Marshall as president. 2<sup>nd</sup> by PW. Carried.

*Past-President* – TC will hold the past-president role.

*Secretary* – one applicant. KB made a motion to accept Brooke Ross as secretary. 2<sup>nd</sup> by SP. Carried.

*Treasurer* – one applicant. MR made a motion to accept Randy Sheaves as treasurer. 2<sup>nd</sup> by SP. Carried.

-RS communicate that this is his last year with the board and would be interested in mentoring someone interested in taking on the treasurer role for future seasons.

*Registrar* – one applicant. JS made a motion to accept Kendra Bloomfield as registrar. 2<sup>nd</sup> by RS. Carried.

*Directors of Fundraising/Sponsorship* – two applicants. AM made a motion to accept Nick Cake and Kerri Dixon in the role as Directors of Fundraising/Sponsorship. 2<sup>nd</sup> by SP. Carried.

*Director of OMHA* – one applicant. JR made a motion to appoint Paul Walkom as the Director of OMHA. 2<sup>nd</sup> by BS. Carried.

*Director of OWHA* – one applicant. MR made a motion to accept Scott Parker as the Director of OWHA. 2<sup>nd</sup> by AM. Carried.

*Director of Officiating and Awards* – one applicant. SP made a motion to appoint Andrew Ward as the Director of Officiating and Awards. 2<sup>nd</sup> by PW. Carried.

*Ice Convenor* – one applicant. JR made a motion to accept Mark Read as the Ice Convenor. 2<sup>nd</sup> by JS. Carried.

*Director of Equipment* – one applicant. AM made a motion to accept Chris Dixon as the Director of Equipment. 2<sup>nd</sup> by JR. Carried.

*Director of Shamrock* - one applicant. NC made a motion to accept Pat Conlin as the Director of Shamrock. 2<sup>nd</sup> by SP. Carried.

*Director of Lambton Middlesex Local League (LMLL)* - one applicant. CD made a motion to accept Bill Stevenson as the Director of Lambton Middlesex Local League (LMLL). 2<sup>nd</sup> by PW. Carried.

*Director of Coaching* – one applicant. RS made a motion to accept Jeff Reid as the Director of Coaching. 2<sup>nd</sup> by MR. Carried.

*Director of Player Development* – one applicant. AM made a motion to appoint Jeff Sutherland as Director of Player Development. 2<sup>nd</sup> by RS. Carried.

ACTION: KB will update the website and communicate new board roles.

## **5. Registration Update**

-Current registration numbers: HCR: 114 ; Intent to Register (Girls): 144

-RAMP for girls' registration will not be open until after tryouts because the platform does not open registration before this time.

-There has been lots of positive feedback about using one platform for registration and payment (HCR for boys and RAMP for girls).

- Currently we are unsure if the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> payment installment will automatically be charged or if members will have to log in and make those payments.

ACTION: RS and KB will follow up with Spordle to see what steps we can take to collect 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> installment payments for registration.

## **6. Development Schedule Update**

-KB, MR and JS have set up the development dates and times. We are waiting for confirmation of the ice contract and then will be getting registration for these sessions set up. These skates will be in August.

## **7. Girls Tryout and Evaluations**

-SP: With low registration numbers for U9 spring tryouts it is recommended to move these tryouts to the Fall to allow more registrations to come in. There could be two evaluation skates kept for girls who have already signed up in this age group.

-SP made a motion to move the Girls U9 tryouts until the Fall. 2<sup>nd</sup> by AM. Carried.

-Evaluations committee was discussed to support coaches in the tryout process.

U11: RS, CD

U13: PW, TC

U15: BR, KD

U18: NC, KD, BR

-It is important to have board evaluation committees attend these tryouts and we need to all work together to support these programs. If other board members are available, they will sign up to support these evaluation committees.

### **8. Girls Team Numbers**

- These numbers are based on current registration numbers and may fluctuate.

*Girls U9:* 15 registrations: SP made a motion for Girls U9 to have 2 evaluation skates in the spring and formal tryouts will happen in the fall. 2<sup>nd</sup> by RS. Carried.

*Girls U11:* 26 local/returning registrations and 2 goalies: SP recommends creating 2 teams.

*Girls U13:* 34 local/returning registrations and 3 goalies: SP recommends creating 3 teams.

*Girls U15:* 28 local/returning registrations and 2 goalies: SP recommends creating 2 teams.

*Girls U18:* 26 local/returning players and 4 goalies: SP recommends creating 2 teams.

SP made a motion to accept these recommendations for number of Girls teams based on current registration numbers from intent to register applications for the 2023/24 season. 2<sup>nd</sup> by PW. Carried.

### **9. Financial Assistance**

-RS there is a form on our website and a process in place to help support families who need financial assistance. There are many organizations listed on the IMHA website and IMHA requests for families to fill out applications with these organizations first. IMHA can support by filling in any extra needs once a family has applied and can support families in these application processes. Families must fill out the financial assistance form in order to receive financial assistance from IMHA (e.g. registration, fundraising, tryout fees). \$5000 for financial aid is on our budget for the upcoming season.

### **10. U5 Age Group Inquiry**

-A member inquiry was sent to the board for review before the meeting.

-TC went over the email inquiry from a member about introducing U4 hockey for 3-year-olds. Discussion took place. This is something that requires more discussion but at this time the board concluded that we would not adjust registration for the upcoming season.

### **11. Round Table**

-JR: Does livebarn run all year long and would it be available for coaches to review tryouts?

Answer: There is livebarn in Komoka but not all of our tryout times are in our original livebarn contract and therefore may not all are available. If members have an account they could check the times of tryouts to see if those times are viewable. The livebarn stream could not be used for evaluations because it is too difficult to distinguish players.

-RS we received a cheque from livebarn for members who have signed up under our account.

**12. Set Next Meeting:** AM will send out a list of upcoming meeting dates for the coming months.

**13.** RS made a motion to **adjourn**. 2<sup>nd</sup> by JR. Passed.

**Motions approved via email:**