



PMHA AGM Minutes
Tuesday April 27th 2021
7:00 pm
ZOOM due to COVID-19 Pandemic

Attendees: Travis Foster, Bryan Dion, Crystal Pritchett, Tori Nadeau, Jamilee Gale, Stephanie Northrup, Darcy Davis, Bryan Dion, Saima Klippenstein and Lesley Anne McLaughlin.

Regrets: Cory Dowd, Kelly Funk

Members Present: Lisa Kristof

1. Call to order
2. Approval of agenda as amended for April 27th 2021 motion by Tori, seconded by Darcy
3. Adoption of minutes from May 19th 2020, motion by Saima, seconded by Bryan
4. Business arising from minutes - none
5. Board of Director's reports

PRESIDENT, Travis Foster

As the 2020-2021 season was my first as President of PMHA it was definitely not what I (nor anyone) was hoping for. After countless volunteer hours by the board, parents and coaches to prepare for the season, it was all halted November 2nd as Manitoba entered Code Red status. We all had a hope that the season would get running again, but as months passed, it seemed inevitable that it would end up being a lost season.

The season started off as normal as possible with HDP and tryouts beginning in mid-September. These were run by Blaine Boyle and helpers. HDP once again gave kids a chance to brush the dust off their gear and get their legs going for tryouts.

League play commenced in early October with teams from Portage playing in 5 different regions in the Province. These included Central Plains, Parkissimo, Pembina Valley, Interlake and Winnipeg. The following is a small breakdown of where each group played, and left off when the season was cancelled in early November....

- U7 – had just started to get practices going. They would have been playing their games as usual against other Portage teams, however they didn't get to the point of set teams before the season was cancelled. Teams hadn't been picked yet.
- U9 – got a few weeks of practices in. All four teams were formed and league play in the Central Plains region was under way when the season was cancelled.

- U11 – got a few weeks of practices in. Their teams were formed and league play in the Central Plains region was under way when the season was cancelled.
- U13 House – Got a few weeks of practices in. Both the house teams had played a few games in the Parkissimo region before the season was cancelled.
- U13 Gold – Got a few weeks of practises in. Played a few league games in the Pembina Valley region before the season was cancelled.
- U15 – When the Central Plains Regional AAA team folded, PMHA stepped up to run an AA team along with the A team. The AA team found a spot to play in the Interlake Region while the A team would be playing out of the Parkissimo league. Both teams got a few games in before the season was cancelled.
- U18 – PMHA had not had a U18 team suit up for more than a decade, however, when High School Hockey announced that they were suspending the year PMHA once again created a spot for both a boys U18 team and a Girls U18 team. The boys would get a few games completed in the Parkissimo league, while the girls team was just getting started in the Winnipeg league before the season was cancelled.

PMHA saw a change in power skating by offering the entire program to be ran by a third party, Professional Skill Development. This was offered to any player in PMHA from the U9 group to U13 group. They were offered 20 skates until the Covid-19 halted it when Manitoba entered Code Red status.

In 2020, PMHA saw the addition of a new board position called “Female Rep” to help continue building female hockey in Portage. PMHA’s end goal is to eventually have female hockey running in every age group outside of U7. But of course, any plans for the 2020-2021 season were halted due to the cancelled season.

The season was definitely not without its challenges, and I wish to thank the board members, coaches and parents who assisted in the trouble shooting, handling issues, and helping with the never ending changes we had to make for our very short season. We hope to see all the kids back on the ice in the fall of 2021!

Vice-President -Vacant

Registrar 2020-2021 , Lesley Anne Matthews MacLaughlin

This year we had 238 players registered on rosters to play with PMHA. This is up by 32 players from last year. The 238 players are broken down into the following age groups:

- U7 - 50 players making up 4 teams, teams never officially played together due to season cancellation (down 10 players from last year)

- U9 - 42 players making up 3 teams (matches previous year)
- U11 - 35 players making up 3 teams, and a double roster Gold team (13 players) (down 4 players from last year)
- U13 - 40 players making up 3 teams, 2 Bronze and Gold team (down 5 players from last year)
- U15 - 33 players making up a house team and a AA team (up 14 from last year due to the cancellation of the U15 Central Plains Capitals U15 team)
- U15-U18 Females - 19 players (New team for this year, high school hockey was cancelled)
- U18 Male - 19 players (New team for this year, high school hockey was cancelled)

Power Skating - Cancelled this year due to Covid

Goalie Development - Cancelled this year due to Covid

Breakfast Club - Cancelled this year due to Covid

Registration for the 2021-2022 season will in June as there is a system changeover with Hockey Canada. Once again, there will be no cheque or cash payments accepted. All members will be expected to register online, including Chance to Play registrations.

Fundraising, Tori

This year, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, PMHA made the decision not to partake in fundraising for the season. Our traditional campaigns of the Cash calendars and Operation Red Nose programs were cancelled. The Fundraising role was pivoted to organizing the Communications Officers. The Communications Officer role was a directive from Hockey Manitoba. Each team was required to have a Communications Officer to track team attendance and relay any messages regarding protocols related to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

An orientation for the "Covid Cops" was held at Srtide Place on October 2th, 2020. All teams were successful in assigning one or two Communications Officers.

PMHA Risk, Cory

This year the PMHA board dealt with a complaint. An Ad Hoc committee was formed to investigate and work on solutions. As a result, PMHA has added a conflict of interest declaration at the beginning of each meeting.

Tournament Coordinator, Crystal

2020-21 was a difficult year for tournaments due to COVID-19 but we are looking forward to a new year in 2021-2022. At this time, the tentative tournament dates are scheduled for the following dates:

- U9 - November 26-28,2021
- U13 - January 7-9, 2022
- U11 - January 21-23,2022
- U7 - February 5-6, 2022

We look forward to seeing everyone next season.

Equipment Director, Darcy

Here is the board report for Equipment:

- new jerseys were ordered for U15 male and U15/18 female teams
- equipment was handed out and collected for 19 teams
- new AtoMc jerseys were ordered for next season

PR Director, Jamilee

Posts are mostly informational and repetitive of what is emailed out to the membership and posted on the website.

Website is running smoothly

Ice Manager, Bryan

HDP was reduced by one skate this year to leave the first week of school open so kids could settle in from the lock down. We were limited to only 19 players per ice session due to the return to play protocols. Some kids were moved up to accommodate this. We had to add an extra bantam slot for HDP. Professional Skill Development did all the HDP training, evaluations and tryouts for the 2020/21 season.

We had to add slots for 1 u15 AA team, 1 male U18 and 1 female u18 team this year.

PRRA did not charge PMHA for any unused ice booking when the lock down #2 occurred.

We will be looking for a new ice scheduler this coming year as Tracy Waldvogel has notified PMHA that she will not be doing it next season.

Female Hockey Rep, Jennifer

- June 4/2020 First appointed Female Hockey Representative for Portage Minor Hockey Association
- Double rostered U9 (novice) only players for the 2020/2021 season
- Had 8 confirmed registered players. Birth years 2012/2013
- Appointed a head coach Tommy Plesh
- Estimated cost would be \$200
- Fall of 2020 would be team building and skill development, would reevaluate the team in the new year if open to exhibition games
- Started communication with other associations and Head coaches for exhibition games after the new year
- Attended a meeting August 24/2020 with Central Plains (in attendance were Ferdi Nelisson, Bev Klassen, Mike Neill, John Ferg, Rod Sviestrup, Jennifer Askin, Bob Lund, Travis Klassen, Ryan Lamblez, Candice Homewood)
- Discussed the importance of female hockey in the Central Plains and how the minor organizations would work together to create teams for the girls in the Central Plains. The new involvement of Female hockey within the PMHA.
- Early stages of creating/ordering jerseys for the U9 team and future teams. Keystone Sports in charge of the jerseys
- Because of the Covid 19 Pandemic, the rinks closed their doors and the girls never got a team together.

6. New Business:

6.1 Delaying Registration Date – Hockey Manitoba’s HCR is being upgraded, the training for the new system will occur over June and registration has been delayed to July. The membership will be informed via email.

6.2 Elections:

Vice President (2 yr term)- Mitch Brennan nominated by Bryan Dion. Elected by acclamation.*

Secretary (1 yr term)- Board nominates Saima Klippenstein. Elected by acclamation.

Treasurer (2 yr term)- Board nominates Stephanie Northrup. Elected by acclamation.

Registrar – no nominations from the floor, position is vacant

Equipment (2 yr term)- Board nominates Darcy Davis. Elected by acclamation.

Female Hockey Program Rep – Board nominates Jennifer Askin. Elected by acclamation.

Ice Manager (2 yr term) – Board nominates Bryan Dion. Elected by acclamation.

** Mitch Brennan to be added to list of current signatories as PMHA Vice President (official signatories are President, Vice President and Treasurer)*

6.3 Female Hockey Program Rep

Motion by Bryan to have the Female Hockey Program Rep added to the PMHA Board of Directors as an elected position in the Bylaws.

Seconded by Tori

Motion Carried

6.4 Appointment of the Auditor

Motion by Stephanie to appoint Keeler Accounting as the auditor for PMHA

Second Crystal

Motion carried

7. Adjournment 7:30 pm – next meeting TBA