

RAIDERS

Minutes of the Board Meeting March 15, 2021 (via videoconference)

Present: Jodi Parker, Helen Tyson, Wendy Tyman, Brenda Neumann, Terry Martin, Arlene Cameron, Greg Clarke, Stephen Keiwan, Tony Farago,

Regrets: Arlene Cameron, Tim Nolan

Guests: None

1. Approval of the Agenda

- a. Motion to approve the agenda by Terry Martin and seconded by Jodi Parker.

Carried.

2. Minutes of the Last Meeting

- a. Motion to approve the minutes of February 9, 2021 and February 13, 2021 by Jodi Parker and seconded by Tony Farago.

Carried.

3. Business Arising

- a. Website

A discussion was had regarding expanding our Website support to include one or more individuals to comprise a web support team. The purpose of such team is so that information can be posted on the NMHA website within a timely fashion, as well as to provide ongoing web development support in keeping links active and functioning. Brenda would first discuss with Chris, our current webmaster, before we proceed further.

Ideally, a team will be tasked with recruiting qualified volunteer(s) to fulfill the new web development / support positions.

- b. Office Reopening.

There was a discussion on what requirements we would have to meet should we wish to

reopen the office in late June/early July. Before doing so, we need to check with the city as to what covid protections are required.

- i. a plexiglass divider on the counter
- ii. hand sanitizer
- iii. signage on the office door notifying the requirement of a mask to be always worn properly along with the maximum occupancy numbers.
- iv. most likely City of Ottawa / Province of Ottawa signage will be required as well, to comply with the current order of re-opening Ontario Act.

Terry Martin to check on plexiglass costs.

b. Annual General Meeting

A discussion was held regarding having an Annual General meeting for the NMHA. If we wish to hold the hold the meeting virtually, we can expect costs of upwards of \$2K and this was judged as being unreasonable.

As an alternative, we are prepared to hold an open forum or forums with our membership sometime in late April / early May. Members will be encouraged to submit questions in advance to the forum; the purpose of the forum is to maintain contact with our members and provide them with updates.

4. Motions

- a. None

5. Area Reports

a. **District Chair -Greg Clarke –**

- i. Debbie Rambeau shared information on Hockey Canada’s position on 21-year-old players to allow them to play a final year of hockey within our structure. The issue was discussed at the Hockey Canada Return to Hockey regulatory Review Team, and they did not support the concept of changing the existing age divisions.
- ii. Joe Rubino advised the Council that HEO has reached a long-term agreement with the CCHL on the operation of the U18 AAA League.
- iii. The Hierarchy Structure of Discipline and Appeals outlines the respective roles of Districts, Minor Council Discipline and Appeals committee and the HEO Discipline and Appeals as approved for the Branch. Minor Council D&A will continue with its role of managing all on-ice discipline for minor hockey within HEO.
- iv. The HEO Policies for Minor Hockey, an updated version of the old HEO Minor Rules

and Regulations have been approved by HEO.

- v. Minor Council was briefed on the new HCR implementation. Minor Council advised Associations not to begin registration until the new system was available. June 1 is the target date for cutover from the old system.
 - vi. Jen Emery has agreed to represent the NMHA on the HEO House Branch Championship Task Team.
 - vii. Greg provided the Board members of the status of their Police Record Checks.
- b. **Referee in Chief (RIC) – Nico Bidin –**
- i. No report.
- c. **President – Brenda Neumann –**
- i. No report.
- d. **VP Competitive – Arlene Cameron –**
- i. No Report.
- e. **VP House – Helen Tyson –**
- i. No Report.
- f. **VP Operations – Terry Martin –**
- i. A check on our sock inventory level is required to provide an update to Tony towards providing expenditure estimates for 2021-2022. We will use up the existing inventory before ordering new socks.
 - ii. Terry asked for ideas on old jerseys. Many organizations won't accept them because of the old logo.
- g. **VP Finance – Wendy Tyman –**
- i. Projected expenditure of approximately \$135,000 for ice used but not yet invoiced by the City.
 - ii. Wendy requested information on unused credits from the November pause. Greg will obtain the information from the HCR. We will have to decide if we should refund the money or carry a credit forward to next year.
 - iii. Warren estimates that our operating reserve for the 2019-2020 fiscal year will be

\$132,000.

- iv. The winter program will be a 10-week program and since we the fees were based on a 12-week program, we will have to issue refunds to the membership.

h. Director At Large – Stephen Keiwan –

- i. There was a situation earlier in the week where a parent passed out in the stands. As we had no emergency contact information for the child other than the parent, the Paramedics on scene took responsibility of the child and explained to the coaching staff and Safety Officer that the paramedics have the legal authority to assume responsibility of the child when there is no other parent / legal guardian on scene.
- ii. Another issue involving a player accidentally locked in a change room at Walter Baker. The child was unharmed. Stephen has spoken with the coaching staff and discussed additional safety measures and steps to be taken to avoid the situation from happening again.

i. Director At Large – Jodi Parker –

- i. Jodi raised the issue with the HEO participant fees. Greg responded that the NMHA slightly overpaid on the invoice estimate issued by HEO in November. We should expect a small refund.

j. Director At Large – Tony Farago –

- i. Tony is looking into options of donating socks that we won't be using; he has found an organization that turns hockey socks into toques for the homeless.
- ii. Continues to have conversations with the unofficial parent "committee" for competitive players.

k. Director At Large – Tim Nolan

- i. No report.

6. Next Meeting Date: April 19, 2021

7. Motion to adjourn by Terry Martin and seconded by Stephen Keiwan.

Carried.

RAIDERS

Minutes of the Board Meeting March 18, 2021 (via videoconference)

Present: Jodi Parker, Wendy Tyman, Brenda Neumann, Terry Martin, Arlene Cameron, Greg Clarke, Stephen Keiwan, Tony Farago, Arlene Cameron, Tim Nolan

Regrets: Helen Tyson

Guests: None

1. Approval of the Agenda

Emergency meeting held because of the recent announcement by the Province of Ontario that the City of Ottawa will be put in the Red (restrictive) zone effective Friday, March 19th at 12:01 a.m.

1. Minutes of the Last Meeting

- a. Deferred.

2. Business Arising

- a. None.

3. Motions

- a. Motion by Terry Martin to end the winter program effective immediately, seconded by Tim Nolan.

It is the general belief that Ottawa will remain in the Red Zone for a 4–6-week period, given the City's previous Red Zone duration in October-November of 2020 and December 2020-February 2021. If the duration is similar, it makes a return to our programming next to impossible with extraordinarily little time (if at all) remaining in the season. At a best-case scenario, we might be able to ice two weeks' worth of programming.

Our members feedback is that they have expressed little interest in having a practice-only

format with 9 players on the ice with no scrimmaging / game format.

Further, we lack the available ice and volunteers to continue in this restrictive format.

Carried.

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c. President – Brenda Neumann –

i. No report.

d. VP Competitive – Arlene Cameron –

i. No Report.

e. VP House – Helen Tyson –

i. No Report.

f. VP Operations – Terry Martin –

i. No Report.

g. VP Finance – Wendy Tyman –

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k. **Director At Large – Tim Nolan**

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5. **Next Meeting Date:** April 19, 2021

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Carried.