Minutes ESMHA - AGM

June 2, 2019 6:30 pm - ESCC Bingo Hall

regrets: Tracey Avery, Danny Faulkner

1.0 Introductory comments

Jason opened the meeting at 6:36 pm and welcomed those in attendance. Jason noted that as President this past year, he had a large learning curve and thanked the executive members for supporting him in his role. Jason went on to note there there is a tremendous amount of work that goes on behind the scenes and may not always be evident.

Jason noted that there have been discussions between Dartmouth, Cole Harbour and Eastern shore hockey associations, pertaining to a potential partnership, however nothing is imminent and any decisions made will be made by the ESMHA membership.

Jason stated that the highlight of the year was indeed the new 50/50 ticket sales and went on to say that several players raised enough funds to cover next season's registration costs and many others only have a small portion to pay. Jason thanked Amanda and Barb for all of their hard work in this endeavour.

Jason advised that increasing registration and lowering registration costs is a priority, especially at the younger levels. Jason noted that he spoke with many parents throughout the season and there is a strong consensus that increasing development for players and supporting coaches is a priority for the upcoming season. Jason extended his gratitude to all coaches, mangers, 50/50 coordinators and treasurers, for volunteering throughout the year.

2.0 Approval of AGM minutes from 2017-2018

Andrew Lowery moved to approve, seconded by Anne Bennet - all voted in favour - Minutes approved.

3.0 Directors Reports

Committee members provided an overview of the season. (See presentations file on the ESMHA website)

4.0 Treasurer Report

Lynn provided an overview of the 2017-2018 Financials and noted that is was a challenging year as registration had commenced before learning that ice costs had increased. Lynn noted that Gina did a phenomenal job selling ice and applied for and received a \$5000 grant for the association. Lynn advised that we have a small surplus moving into next season (please see full financial report on the ESMHA website)

5.0 Bylaws/Memorandum Changes Changes

Two bylaw proposal amendments were submitted prior to the AGM (please see proposals on the ESMHA website)

- Female Coordinator duties
- 2. Duties Development and Coaching Coordinator

Following a discussion among executive members and members from the floor, it was decided to table both amendment proposals until more discussions and fine tuning can occur.

Elections

Position up for Renewal	Nominations	Successful Candidate
Vice President	a nomination was received via email for Andrew Lowery. A nomination for Peter Lenihan, was received from the floor by Greer Grady, seconded by Michele Henebery. A secret ballot vote was held using purple and pink ballots.	Andrew Lowery is the ESMHA Vice President
Treasurer	Janice Bray nominated Lynn Humphreys, seconded by Jason St. Hilaire. No other nominations	Lynn Humphreys is the returning ESMHA Treasurer
Ice Coordinator	a nomination for Gina Dun was received for the floor by Jason St. Hilaire. seconded by Lorri Arnold. No other nominations	Gina Dunn is the returning ESMHA Ice Scheduler
Female Hockey Coordinator	A nomination for Paul Anderson was received by Anne Bennet, seconded by Peter Lenihan. Paul expressed that holding two positions would not serve the players well, however there were no other volunteers/nominations.	Paul Anderson will fill this role in the interim, until a permanent Coordinator is determined.
Recreation Coordinator	a nomination was received via email for Jason St. Hilaire.	Jason St. Hilaire is the returning ESMHA Recreation Coordinator
Coaching Coordinator	a nomination for Peter Lenihan was received from the floor by Jacqueline Sanford, seconded by Greer Grady a nomination for Jason St. Hilaire was received from the floor by Andrew Lowery, seconded by Jodi Bengert A secret ballot vote was held using orange and light green ballots	Jason St. Hilaire is the ESMHA Coaching Coordinator

I/P Timbits Coordinator	No nominations or volunteers	remains vacant
Novice Coordinator	a nomination for Tamara Julian was received from the floor by Chelsey Burgess, seconded by Tanya Murphy. No other nominations	Tamara Julian is the ESMHA Novice Coordinator
Atom Coordinator	a nomination for Tanya Murphy was received from the floor by Chelsey Burgess, seconded by Tarmara Julian. No other nominations	Tanya Murphy is the the ESMHA Atom Coordinator
Peewee Coordinator	a nomination for Melissa Arnold was received from the floor by Melissa Crooks, seconded by Joey Abelleira. No other nominations	Melissa Arnold is the ESMHA PeeWee Coordinator
Bantam Coordinator	a nomination was received via email for Tracey Avery. No other nominations	Tracey Avery is the ESMHA Bantam Coordinator
Midget Coordinator	a nomination for Shannon Karsten was received from the floor by Ashley Anderson, seconded by Tracey Baker. Lorri Arnold was nominated by did not accept the nomination.	Shannon Karsten is the ESMHA Midget Coordinator

7.0 Questions from the floor

Q: Do projected numbers include Inferno players/other exiting players?

A: Janie noted that he numbers are based on initial registration numbers only.

Q: Could information be provided on the status of the PeeWee AAA program?

A: Jason noted that he attended a meeting pertaining to the new program. a discussion ensued and Jason review some key points of the program.

Q: What can be done about the sticky pucks?

A: Gina will speak to the rink staff about improving the conditions

Q: Is it possible for teams to have the option to schedule 90 minute ice times instead of 60?

A: Gina said most definitely and that the teams would be then billed directly.

Q: Is there a hard copy of the Financial Report available?

A: Janice indicated that is can be viewed on the ESMHA website.

Q: Is it the executive committee's goal to reduce the number of members?

A: Yes, that is something that has been considered and will be looked at during the coming season as it is difficult to conduct business/vote etc. when dependent on so may being available for meetings and such. Often times, in the past, committee members held more than one position at a time.

Q: What training/knowledge do the executive members have pertaining to governance and liability?

A: Sarah advised that she has worked for HNS for several years and is has knowledge of governance and insurance requirements. A discussion ensued and it was noted that forming a governance committee is something that has been discussed as of recent and will be looked at for the coming season.

9.0 Motion to Adjourn

Anne Bennet moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Tamara Julian. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm