**IMHA – Annual General Meeting**

**Tuesday, June 23, 2020**

**Via Zoom**

**MINUTES – Approved May 13, 2021**

***Present:***

**IMHA Members – 25**

**Total of 38 (Tichelle not logged into)**

**IMHA Board Members**

Todd Copeland Randy Sheaves

Candace Phipitt Paul Walkom

Tichelle Schram Mike Harding

Brian Heessels Trish Brennan

Scott Parker Chris Dixon

Grant McNair Sue Lidbetter

1. TC welcomed everyone to our annual meeting and reviewed the zoom meeting protocols.
2. MH Made a motion to begin the meeting. 2nd by TB. 32/36 members approve. Carried.
3. TC welcomed everyone and thanked the present board members for their commitment this past season. March 12, 2020 will go down in history when our hockey season came to a sudden halt. This has been tough on the parents and especially difficult for our players.
4. TC highlighted some key accomplishments from our past 2019 – 2020 season. IMHA launched the Novice and below program, new banners were hung in the arenas, a head trainer position was created to help navigate Roman’s Law and several successful fundraising events. IMHA is alive and well and in a good position to move forward for another season. There is lots of uncertainty for 2020/2021 season and at this time, IMHA does not have any definitive answers. We are expecting mandated name changes for our age divisions, there is a push from OMHA to consider A-level teams and D1 training for coaches will be considered for the fall of 2020. We will keep our membership updated with current information as it unfolds. We are proud as a board of what IMHA has accomplished and we will come out of this pandemic and return to the rink!
5. RS suggested to remove the point from the agenda regarding proposed upcoming budget for season as we are not able to predict our future financial needs at this time. BH Made a motion to accept the agenda. 2nd by TB. 100% approve. 32/36 Carried
6. The 2019-2020 AGM minutes were presented. PW to be added to the attendance. BH Made a motion to accept the minutes from April 17, 2019. 2nd by Andrew Douglas. 31/36. Carried
7. The 2018 – 2019 financial statements for the financial year ending June 2019 were reviewed and approved by the board at our IMHA board meeting on June 14, 2020. These statements have been posted onto the IMHA website for membership review. MH Made a motion to approve the financial statements. 2nd by TB. 33/36. Carried.
8. Discussion occurred regarding the projected budget. RS shared that it has always been recommended that we have 3 months’ worth of expenses in our account, equaling approximately $80000. We are keeping our accounts with CIBC, as they are offering the best rates. RS reviewed all account balances. BH Made a motion to accept Ford Keast as our financial auditor for 2019/2020. 2nd by MH. 31/35. Carried.
9. Director reports were written and shared with the membership prior to the meeting. There were no additional questions from the membership. GM made a motion to accept the directors reports as posted on the IMHA website. 2nd by MH. 32/35. Carried.
10. TC – as a board, we track recommendation to our Rules of Operations and Bylaws. We also put a call out to the membership for submissions prior to April 30, 2020. No proposed changes were received by the membership or board, therefore there is no need to vote.
11. A question from membership – Are mouthguards mandatory? PW - It is a requirement for OMHA to wear mouthguards. For our OWHA players, it is a recommendation to wear mouthguard but not required. IMHA has made a mandate that all players are to wear mouthguards. Marty D, head trainer commented that we did discuss this last year and he continues to reinforce that the IMHA mandate is for all players to wear mouthguards.
12. TC – there was not new business submitted from either the board or the membership.
13. TC – the IMHA board of directors is comprised of 16 individuals, each fulfilling a 2-year term. Last year we had 15 members and then had one director resign. Recently, our long-time board member, Rob Andrews has decided to retire from the board. We will continue to see him at the rink, enjoying his time as a spectator of his grand kids. This season we have 5 returning board members (Randy, Brian, Todd, Mike & Chris) and 7 seeking re-election. Therefore, we have 4 vacant spots, which we received 4 nominations for board of director positions. These were from Derek Janes, Alison Vilaca, Jeff Sutherland and Colin Urquart. This would then reestablish our full complement of the board of directors at 16 members. Each new director introduced themselves. RS Made a motion to accept the board nominations. 2nd by BH. 32 /35. Carried.
14. MT shared that he resigned from the board of directors but will be actively involved with IMHA to certify coaches. He thanked all the new directors for joining, acknowledging their commitment. Question from membership – Great news that we are training coaches in house. Are we only training IMHA coaches, or what is the methodology being used to hold these coaching clinics? MT – we are field evaluators that can certify any coaches but we will focus on our IMHA coaches first. Also looking at setting up a mentorship program for coaches as well. TC- we have lots of our coaches that their certification is expiring, so this will be really helpful for our organization, as well as others.
15. Question from membership - Can you expand on the OMHA proposed A-level. TC gave a brief description as to where we stand as a board and current discussions with other local organizations. No decisions have been made at this time.
16. Question from membership – Where are we at with our registration numbers for the 2020/2021 season? SL – Our numbers are very similar as last season; 10 short from last year’s girls’ registrations and 30- 40 from the boys.
17. The next IMHA Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 7 at 8:00. ACTION – All new board directors to send an email to Tichelle with their preferred email address to be used for IMHA.
18. SP made a motion to adjourn the meeting. 2nd by RS. 33/33. Carried.