

2022/23 Season Annual General Meeting Minutes (Proposed)

Monday May 29th, Hillsburgh Community Library

1. Call to Order at 7:10pm- Attendance: Heidi Winter, Ryan Hervieux, John Martin, Dan Fudge, Jon Forbes, Steve Bucking, Jeff Miller, Shari Martin, Darcy Hughes, Doug Bray, Justyna Toepfner, Luke Longstreet, Paul Wedgewood, Val Bush, Shannon Fawns, Ryan Denniston, Sid Spear, Paul Thomson, Jon Cole, Sandra Marino, John Moffatt, Jenn Moffatt (22 individuals)

2. Approval of the agenda

Moved by: Justyna Toepfner

Seconded: Doug Bray

Motion is carried.

3. Approval of the minutes from the previous meeting of the Membership on May 30, 2022

Moved by: Val Bush

Seconded: Heidi Winter

Motion is carried.

4.0 Director Reports- Paul went over.

4.1. **PRESIDENTS REPORT**

Good evening. I would like to welcome everyone and thank you for joining for joining our AGM, to conclude the 2022-23 season.

A larger THANK YOU! To All Associations Members – parents, players, executive members, coaches, referees and volunteers during for your support in getting us through the 1st and hopefully last FALL Tryouts. A tip of the cap this year to everyone’s patience and perseverance of the executive team dealing with updating home addresses and compiling rosters with the unfortunate issues caused by the HC portal 3.0 updates. We successfully pushed our way through Feb/March with the loss of one of our arenas in February, this time it was Hillsburgh!! And managed to minimize impact to the membership by fitting everyone in at Erin for the remainder of the season!! Perhaps a little later or earlier in some cases, but we pulled it off.

I would also like to Thank all our sponsors who continue to support our association in the Erin-Hillsburgh community. Once again all of ours sponsors both old and new stepped for us to help make this season another great success!

REGISTRATION

Overall registration we maintained and slightly increase our numbers this past Season with 201 players being registered with EHMHA, down slightly from this past season. This again shows the strength of our team to keep our association strong, even with continued outside pressure for kids playing other less expensive sports, and the on-going threat from non-sanctioned leagues. As a member of the OMHA, although we are not always in a agreement with some of their decisions on rules, I wanted to share with you some current facts about our governing body.

The Ontario Minor Hockey Association, founded in 1935, is a leader in community sport and oversees a participant base of 300,000 consisting of players, coaches, trainers, officials, hockey volunteers and parents across the province. The OMHA works with its 225 local minor hockey associations and annually coordinates 28 leagues to create the best minor hockey experience in Canada.

Our Treasurer will provide our financial position shortly, Paul will confirm that we ended this past season within what we planned for budget. We had a planned approach to reduce our reserves and subsidize and support our players maintaining regular levels of ice-time, while investing in our development future with purchase of additional on-ice tools for our coaches to utilize now and as we move forward into our next season.

LOCAL LEAGUE & REPRESENTATIVE Player Development

One of our mainstay objectives of our executive team, for the membership is an increased focus on player development. Thank you again to Jonathan Cole our Technical Director for leading the way by providing the plan formed by the executive group introducing our 3 on 3 Development platform and to Luke Longstreet who in support who also provided additional player development clinics for both LL and Rep Goalies throughout the 2022-23 season. The additional puck touches, shots on goal, skating, creativity with the puck, and mentorship from coaches were some of the key benefits to the 3 on 3 Development program. We look forward to expanding on this and other internal/external development opportunities for membership in 2023-24 season stay tuned to our website for more details.

U7 INITIATION PROGRAM

Another successful season for our youngest group of players with 39 participants this past season. The Hockey Canada Initiation Program formerly known as (CHIPS) is a cornerstone of our program offerings. Now better known as our U7 initiation program Thank you to our new Director Luke Longstreet along with all the high school and parent volunteers, for providing a fun, developmental 1st season to our littlest Devils. I would also like to give a Special Thanks to the following on-ice coaches and volunteers. Paul Wedgewood, Tim Williams, Alex & Ben Watling, Joey Martin.

ON ICE OFFICIALS

Working with Orangeville & Halton Minor hockey for on Ice officials for the 2022-23 season, spite of a large shortage of referees created by attrition and fallout from the pandemic. Our Ref Director Cam Cuthbert along with our scheduling team managed to pull it off once again. It was not without some more creativity and additional costs, along with some long nights for Cam himself along with the rest of senior official crew -Ryan Masson, Tony Koch, Jeff Gaynor, & Chris Zuppan. THANK YOU. Cam also executed on his ongoing plan of the recruitment of a younger generation of officials joining the ranks of on house at EHMHA. Spencer Neil, Jackson Bray, and Joey Martin to name a few of those of young guns. Thank you- Cam for continuing to organize and lead this group for EHMHA, as we could not play the games without you!! Special Note-We are always looking for older and younger people to become

referees. If you are interested in joining the striped ranks, please do not hesitate to reach out to Cam or anyone on the executive team.

OMHA/TRI-COUNTY

Continued leadership and Guidance from our governing stickhandling through the Fall Tryout roster and HCR difficulties. Thank you, Paul Wilson- Regional director and the folks at the OMHA offices, especially Virginia Jacobsen on the HCR side. On another note, we wish Paul Wilson well as he retires from the regional director role for our area. And we welcome Michelle Bridges (former Rep Director -Orangeville) who will be filling this role and will be voted in at the next OMHA AGM in June.23/2023. Most notably, This will be the 1st season with the new rules of non-Contact at U15 & U18 divisions, we will continue to monitor closely , and we look forward to continue being competitive within the Tri-county.

REP HOCKEY

It was a pleasure to have the opportunity to watch all Our EHMHA Representative teams throughout the 2022-2023 season. They looked especially sharp sporting the new updated uniforms. All teams competed hard with varying success at all levels. The Highest Success rating from my perspective is the grade of 100% That goes to our teams at EHMHA by wearing their jersey with pride and respect representing the community of Erin-Hillsburgh in the Tri-County Rep Hockey League. Thank you to all the coaching staffs for their commitment to player and team development, while keeping an attention to details at the competitive level.

A special shout out and Congratulations to the great success of our U18s, whose journey was cut short in this past season early on in OT. This year this group led by the Coaching staff of Tim Williams, Kevin Moxam and Ryan Judge came back with a vengeance by successfully defeating Milton in the OMHA Finals, to bring home yet another championship banner to the home of the Erin Hillsburgh Devils!!!! And the coveted red hats for all the players!!! A very big accomplishment!!

LOCAL LEAGUE

Another season completed with our Local League between Orangeville Minor hockey (U9) along with Caledon Minor Hockey for the (U11 to U21) was a success, with an unfortunate hiccup at the U21 Division. Thanks to everyone involved in making the very best of an unfortunate situation. Congratulations to Coach Tom Warriner and Greg Tyrrell and the U21 White team, who not only won the 1st Devils U21-cup LL series. They were also the winners of the U21 division, that was cut short with Headwaters.

Hats off to the two small groups at U15 who supported each other throughout the season. A special shout out to Coach Curtis, Coach Chris & Jeff M for pulling those two groups together. To both U9 teams for being leaders in their divisions and to the heart of the U11's who may not of seen results on the score board, but had the loudest fans and team spirit , I've seen in many years, with the exception of possibly the U13 group , who earned a chance to represent us in the U13 Final , and came up just short but had the Alder street arena rocking on that final day!! Thanks to all three of the Local league directors, schedulers and the support of all the executive's boards, for another year with the Headwaters Local League. Thank you to all the Players, Coaches, Trainers, Referee's and most importantly the PARENTS!!

SELECT

We had the opportunity to ice a U18 Select team this past season. Being part of the team as the coach, it gives me great pleasure to see those players who want to be more competitive and continue to development their hockey skills, come together with extra practice and games and represent our community at Tournaments with a semi-final birth in one. Most importantly we had fun and competed hard and represented our community with class!! We look forward as an association to continue to support and encourage this additional competitive level for those who want more. Special Thanks to Coach Steve, Jon, Greg And manager Mark, for making this happen.

SPECIAL MENTIONS & OUTLOOK

A special Thanks to all volunteers, coaches, players, parents along with the executive members who stepped up, once again went above and beyond to ensure the foundation of the Erin Hillsburgh Minor Hockey Association remains strong and stable.

It is time now, to drive forward EHMHA into the Future. There are so many volunteers that make our association great. I would like to mention a few now, who were involved in one of many success stories this past season at EHMHA.

Another great success that showed the true Spirit of Devils Hockey this year Thank you to all the parents, players and volunteers that were part of the Santa Claus parade in Erin! Special thanks to Sandra Marino & Justyna Toepfner for organizing the crew of Devils nation who represented. And to Cameron Thompson from the U18BB team who organized with his teammates and gathered over 20 set of equipment for indigenous communities in the North to play our great game!!

We look forward to getting back on the ice in September. I am also excited to add bricks to the solid foundation we have built with the Headwaters Local League with Orangeville and Caledon for the U11-U21 programing. Along with our continued relationship with our U9s competing with Orangeville. We look forward to building on this program offering in the 2023-24 season. We are still looking at a return of CW and possibly the addition of Shelburne at certain divisions, and we will have an update on that in the coming weeks.

On the Representative side, Evolution of the Playoff format to a weekend tournament style to stay closer to home will continue. The Tri-County Structure for this regular season currently scheduled to kick off - October.11/22. We will continue to follow the changes to the U6-U9 Initiation and U9 pathways the OMHA introduction of U8-U9 -All-Star division that will provide additional development and competitive opportunities. And provide updates to the membership as any new information comes available for these or any of the other player pathways this summer. I encourage all members existing or new to reach out to any of the EHMHA executive board members with any questions you may have about your son or daughter's path, while they develop and learn the great game of Hockey in our community.

In Conclusion, I am very excited to continue to lead the Erin Hillsburgh Minor Hockey Association as your president. I do want to say wholeheartedly, I could not be successful in this role, without the support of the entire Executive Team and you the membership.

I would like to Thank and wish well all those that have moved and that are moving on from the executive board. Paul Thompson, Jeff Oakley, Emily Christian, Luke Longstreet and Lisa Adams. I would also like to welcome those Directors signing on for a return and our new electees to be. Shannon, Justyna, Sandra, John, Dan & Jon C. I look forward to leading this executive team and membership into the 2023-24 Hockey season!!

With that said, this association's success is based on the great volunteers who have the passion that unites us all. With people moving on, that means there are some great positions coming available to join the EHMHA executive team. Please be sure to check our website for upcoming exco-officio positions available after the AGM .

Thank you for your time and I would like to finish by saying Wear it Loud , Wear it Proud !! Hometown Hockey!! GO DEVILS!!!

Respectfully submitted,

Sid Spear

President, EHMHA

MOTION: To accept the President's Report

Approval of President's Report:

Moved by: Heidi Winter

Seconded: Paul Thompson

Motion is carried.

4.2. Treasurers Report

4.2.1. Present the report of the auditor of the Association from the previous year.

4.2.2. Projected financial position for the ensuing year.

4.2.3. Appointment of the auditor for the ensuing year

Treasurers Report, EHMHA FYE 2023, presented at Annual General Meeting May 29th, 2023.

It is a formal requirement of this AGM and the Bylaws of the Association, that the Treasurer report on the financial year end (FYE) April 30, 2023, and present a projected Financial Statement for the financial year just ended (April 30 2023)

Audit Report

It is also a formal requirement of this Board to present a Report from the Auditor for the previous year end of the Association, namely, April 30th, 2022.

The EHMHA is a registered and Incorporated not for profit (NFP) minor sports organization, and as such, we are obligated to prepare audited financial statements for each fiscal year end. It is an obligation we take seriously. An obligation to provide our membership with assurance that their money is being spent properly, and that the organization has the financial stability to sustain operations into the future.

We do not present a detailed review of the previous year because that was done at the previous year AGM held in June 2022. I can confirm that the projected year end report of previous year, and the final Audited report were virtually the same in all material respects.

Publicly Available

A copy of the Audit Report, once a motion is passed at the AGM, is available to any member in good standing, by simply sending a request to: treasurer@ehmha.ca

Results of FYE 2023

The financial position of the organization remained strong at the FYE of April 30, 2023.

Your BOD has established a target reserve fund of approximately 1/3 of annual operating revenues/expenses to ensure long term sustainability of the association. That fund is maintained in GICs for protection, and day to day operations are typically handled by the current *year* revenues and working capital.

A NFP entity will typically target operating results that fall close to \$0 (break even), and in this organization the target range is set at \$0 plus or minus \$10,000.

The budget for 2022/23 was established at an operating loss of \$10,000. This was to be achieved by offering enhanced development programs that were subsidized by the association, increasing our equipment purchases, and increasing referee/timers pay levels to be competitive with neighboring associations.

The actual operating results achieved were very close to target, with an operating loss of (at or near) approximately \$8000.

Our financial position, as represented on our balance sheet, shows we are still in a strong and sustainable position going forward.

In summary, the association's long term conservative approach to its financial management is providing the members with enjoyable hockey programs at very reasonable pricing.

Thank you.

Paul Thomson, Treasurer EHMHA

Motions - 1) Receive the

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- 2) Moved by Jeff Miller
- 3) Seconded by Jon Moffet
- 4) Motion carried.

- 2) Appoint MacGillivray Partners to Audit the Financials Statements for FYE April 30, 2023.
Moved by Doug Bray
Seconded by Shari Martin
Motion carried.

5. Election of Directors for next season:

MOTION: That the following members be elected to hold office until the 2025 Annual General Meeting, and the members filling vacant positions hold office until the end of the current term, until the 2024 Annual General Meeting.

Board Position	Elected / Appointed	Ex Officio Term
Vice-President of Administration	Shannon Fawns/Elected	two (2) year term on odd years
Treasurer	Dan Fudge/Elected	two (2) year term on odd years
Technical Director	John Martin/Elected	two (2) year term on odd years
House League Hockey Director	Ryan Hervieux/Elected	two (2) year term on even years
Rep Hockey Director	Jon Cole/Elected	two (2) year term on odd years
U5/7 Director	Sandra Marino/Elected	two (2) year term on odd years
VP Operations	Justyna Toeppner/Elected	two (2) year term on even years

Moved by: Sid Spear

Seconded by: Paul Thomson

Motion is carried.

6. New Business - none

7. Adjournment of meeting at 7:41pm

Moved by: Heidi Winter

Seconded: Justyna Toeppner

Motion is carried.