

Georgian Shores Minor Hockey Association

Annual General Meeting

Thursday May 4, 2023 @ 7:00pm

Meaford & St. Vincent Community Centre Hall, Meaford, Ontario



Minutes

1. Call to Order

- Mark Cronin 7:15 pm

2. Quorum report - 37 members, including at least 6 directors

(Sarah Clarke, Jane Mei, Heather Lindsay, Mark Woodhouse, Mark Cronin, Sarah Hewgill, Heather Ruffett, Kelly Kirkpatrick, Eric Hensel, Caitlyn Hewgill, Jessica McInnes- Wiley, Jon Wiley, Jamie Tanner, Chad Kenyon, Kelly Woodhouse, Brittany Sheridan, Jenn Beaumont, Amanda Thomson, Morgan Hewgill, Angela Parrish, Kate Craig, Lani Green, Scott Hustwitt, Megan Bies, Margaret Jack, Jim Winch, Andrea Traynor, Patrick Strutt, Chantal Malone, Brianne Styles, Holly Brown, Whitney Carbert, April Cargo, Scott Eagles, Greg Betts, Jodie Doran, Ryan Woods)

3. Approval of Agenda

- Scott Eagles approved the agenda. Seconded by Jim Winch. Voted all in favour.

4. Approval of Minutes from the 2022 AGM

- Approved by Brittany Sheridan. Seconded by Jim Winch. Voted all in favour.

5. Committee Reports

- a. Georgian Bay Triangle Local League- Jane Mei
 - U7, U8, U9 were large programs
 - U9 were balanced teams
 - 2 U11 teams, 2 U13 teams - total of 110 games played in the season
 - Lots of new players and bench staff this season
 - All teams had home and away tournaments
 - U13 LL1 were D Finalists
 - U15 Rep joined the LL playoffs with special approval and were the A Champions
 - Osprey hosted the All Star game, 11 GS players attended
- b. U9 & Below Programming - Eric Hensel
 - Over 75 players
 - 2 balanced U9 teams
 - 2 U7 players moved to U8
 - 1 U8 player moved to U9
 - 100 practices, 60 plus games
 - New goalie gear was purchased for U9 & U8
 - Volunteers are needed at all U9 & Below levels
- c. Georgian Bay Minor Hockey League - Mark Woodhouse
 - Currently Region 5 - need a new name to represent GBMHL and the North League
 - Combination of leagues presents more opportunity

- U15 single entry team had a tough season, participated in the LL playoffs
- U13 - was the top team in Tier 2, unfortunately ran into trouble in the playoffs, competed in every game
- U11 - Tier 3 level, Region 5 Champions, represented us and competed well
- Region 5 had 3 Champion Teams and 3 Finalist teams, great for our region
- Not a lot of changes for next season, may shorten 1st half of season and lengthen the second half (10 & 10 or 8 & 12)
- A lot of movement this year in Tiers for more competitive hockey
- We are a Base Category Tier 3, may bump us to Tier 2, but no more than that
- Should start in the middle of Tier 2 & 3 next season

c. Tournaments - Kelly Kirkpatrick

- Held 4 Home Tournaments
- 23 teams participated in the Fall Classic, C & D teams
- 12 teams participated in the U8 Jamboree in Thornbury
- 8 teams participated in the Michael Cramp Memorial - both home U9 teams played in the Championship game
- 24 teams participated in the Mike Hammond
- All went well
- Hockey Day in Georgian Shores was successful
 - 2 players were outfitted with a coat and hat
 - Food bank donations were made to the BVO and Meafors Food Bank
- Revenue: \$42 850, Expenses \$34 207.54, Profit: \$8642.46
- Next Season:
 - Fall Classic - Nov 10 - 12
 - Hockey Day - Dec 16 in Thornbury
 - U9 - Feb 3 in Meaford
 - U8 - Feb 3 in Thornbury
 - Mike Hammond - March 1-3

d. Registration - Heather Ruffett

- 195 Registrations
- 15 teams
- Potential numbers for next season (Currently 92 registered)
 - 14-15 teams (U7, U8, 2 U9, 3 U11, 3 U13, 2 U15, 1 U18)

e. Sponsorship Committee - Mark Cronin & Scott Eagles

- Thank you to all of our sponsors, especially our Jersey Sponsors
- \$10 600 raised in Sponsorships - used for goalie gear etc.

6. Planned activities for the association for the 2023/24 season

a. Banquet Committee

- Small group did a great job, would like more people involved
- Budget is \$2000, if need more, can ask
- Bar? OMHA does not permit
- Jess McInnes-Wiley is interested in taking this on

b. Fundraising Committee

- Would like more people involved

- c. Tournament Committee
 - Kelly only involved teams in the tournament to sit on the committee
 - Did not involve everyone all season long
 - Getting families to fill volunteer spots was difficult
 - Recommendation - more information to teams earlier in the season
 - If teams do not volunteer then the team should pay the entry fee
 - Why not ask U15 & U18 to volunteer?
- d. U9 and Below Programming
 - Next season the league will be adding tiers back into U9
 - Also possible to add a select team in each of U9 and Below

If we are not able to get enough volunteers, we will ask each team to provide a member to join each of the committees.

7. Treasury Report and Budget

- a) Receiving and approving of the Treasurers 2022/23 Report
 - The season ended with a loss of \$8596.87
 - Ref Budget was over \$7000, paid over book value and mileage also increased
 - New iPads were purchased for \$2000 (4 iPads)
 - Currently \$102 506.85 in bank account (\$24 631.38 belongs to next season)
 - Motion to accept the report was made by Chad Kenyon, seconded by Jim Winch. Voted all in favour.
- b) 2023/24 Budget
 - Proposed net loss of \$5595.81
 - Budget supports a registration of 0 preschool, 14 U7, 15 U8, 17 U9, 50 U11, 36 U13, 38 U15, 16 U18
 - Rep fees to be collected from 10 U11, 10 U13, 19 U15
 - Assuming 50% of members attend AGM and receive a \$25 discount
 - Tournaments are uncertain and so there is \$0 revenue
 - Sponsorships and Donations are uncertain and so there is \$0 revenue
 - Registration fees to remain the same
 - Player & Goalie Clinics to continue
 - Hockey Day continues
 - Purchase another iPad for next season
 - Ref Scheduler was paid so little, as he only wanted his cell phone bills covered
 - Fee may change based on a possible central ref scheduler
 - We will discuss with ref scheduler in future with regards to payment
 - Motion to accept the budget for the 2023/24 season was made by Kelly Woodhouse and seconded by Scott Eagles. Voted all in favour.

8. Proposed amendments to the By-laws of the association

- Nothing submitted

9. Appointment of the Time Keeper Scheduler, Ice Scheduler, Ref Scheduler

- Chantal Malone will be the Time Keeper Scheduler for the 2023/24 Season
- Jason Bouwman will be the Ice Scheduler for the 2023/24 Season
- Referee Scheduler remains open at this time

10. Election of the new Executive

President

Sarah Clarke nominated Mark Cronin for President.

Seconded by Heather Ruffett.

Mark Cronin accepted the nomination.

All in favour of Mark Cronin as President.

Vice President

Mark Cronin nominated Eric Hensel for Vice President.

Seconded by Andrea Traynor.

Mark Cronin accepted the nomination.

All in favour of Eric Hensel as Vice President

Local League Hockey Director

No Nominations

Treasurer

Jodie Doran is interested.

Secretary - Sarah Clarke seeking Re-Election

Heather Ruffett nominated Sarah Clarke as Secretary.

Seconded by Jenn Beaumont.

Sarah Clarke accepted the nomination.

All in favour of Sarah Clarke as Secretary.

Representative League Hockey Director

Sarah Clarke nominated Mark Woodhouse as Representative League Hockey Director.

Seconded by Heather Ruffett.

Mark Woodhouse accepted the nomination.

All in favour of Mark Woodhouse as Representative League Hockey Director

Tournament Director

Jodie Doran nominated Kelly Kirkpatrick as Tournament Director.

Seconded by Andrea Traynor.

Kelly Kirkpatrick turned down the nomination.

Position remains unfilled.

Director at Large

Mark Cronin nominated Scott Eagles for Director at Large.
Seconded by Jim Winch.
Scott Eagles accepted the nomination.

All in favour of Scott Eagles as Director at Large.

U9 and Below Program Director

No interest or nominations

Head Trainer

Chad Kenyon nominated Jamie Tanner for Head Trainer.
Seconded by Jim Winch.
Jamie Tanner accepted the nomination.

All in favour of Jamie Tanner as Head Trainer.

Equipment Manager

Steve Burgess and Stacey Osmond both expressed interest in the position.

Registrar in Training - Andrea Traynor

11. Open Forum

- a. Future Planning
 - Hybrid Amalgamation
 - Possibility of joining with Collingwood or Owen Sound
 - OMHA pushing for smaller centres to join larger centres
 - Will not be happening for next season
 - A lot of information still to gather
 - Suggestion - info piece to membership, can post to website
- b. Meaford Food Booth
 - Jesse asked if GS would like to run the food booth
 - Members have decided not to run a food booth
- c. Season Timelines - Chad Kenyon
 - Starting teams and having coaches and managers in place earlier
 - Smaller centres have fall tryouts, our centre starts the end of September when the ice is in
- d. Suggestions for Coaching - Scott Eagles
 - Approach a more experienced coach to be a mentor for the newer coaches
 - Create a mentorship program for coaches in the association
 - Mark Woodhouse replied - some centres have a Head Coach, there are a lot of different opinions in how to coach, but a great idea

12. Adjournment

AGM adjourned at 9:43pm by Sarah Clarke