

**ESMHA AGM**  
June 9, 2024

**Start Time:** 2:00pm

**Location:** Eastern Shore Community Center, Bingo Hall

**Platform:** In-person

**Minutes Take By:** Whitney Halloran

Item	Discussion
<b>Attendance</b>	Jayne, Whitney, Adam, Laura, Natalie, Joel, Ashley S., Ashley H., Becky, Paul, Chelsea
<b>Slide show was displayed to guide the meeting and contains reports from executive members. These minutes contain additional discussions from the meeting.</b>	
<b>President</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Call to order, 2:10pm</li><li>- 9 members of the public present</li><li>- Motion to approve 2023 minutes - Seconded by Ashley S. - All in favour</li><li>- Roll call<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Present: Jayne, Whitney, Adam, Laura, Natalie, Joel, Ashley S., Ashley H., Becky, Paul, Chelsea</li><li>- Absent: Rod, Derek, Danielle, Pete, Jodi, Janie</li></ul></li></ul>
<b>Treasurer</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Awaiting financial breakdown from Timbit Jamboree tournament, will be updated in following minutes when information update comes through</li></ul>
<b>Equipment Manager</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Positive changes - eliminated cheques</li><li>- Eliminated old jerseys, organized and revitalized the storage and management of equipment</li><li>- Students from the high school (O2 program) was very helpful in building new ramps for the rink</li></ul>
<b>Risk Manager</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Since covid, role has become much more manageable</li><li>- Helping implementation of the dressing room policy - safety person / manager helped as well with this</li></ul>

<p><b>Public Engagement</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Positive comments about goalie clinic this past year, looking forward to that continuing into next year</li> <li>- Appreciated explanation and breakdown of ice time allotments from HRM, and how ice hours are allocated to teams/ESMHA by the executive</li> <li>- <u>Question</u> - Can U9 to wear ES jerseys - <u>Response</u> - Tim Hortons is our sponsor, removing them would mean we will have to purchase jerseys and we may not necessarily get that sponsorship back. Roughly \$2100 per set, would need home/away - <b>Can be discussed as a point for the executive moving into next year.</b></li> <li>- <u>Question</u> - asking how A/B/C is decided, we had a tough year for a group of B/C teams <u>Answer</u> - Explanation of Hockey Nova Scotia breakdown, we are allowed to have A/C/C and not necessarily have both B &amp; C. Many factors include number of registered players, knowledge of players skill levels, coaching, HNS guidelines etc. Goal is to try and set up all groups to be the most successful.</li> <li>- <u>Question</u> - Can you change after a team is decided - ex. B drop to C, or C move to B depending on how that team does. <u>Answer</u> - Yes it is possible, there is a logistical process available, re-balancing by HNS. If there is an issue, it is two different leagues and schedules, budgets have begun and it is not a simple procedure. Must be applied for and HNS makes the ultimate decision.</li> <li>- Tryouts - request for improved organization of try out process moving into next year.</li> </ul>
<p><b>New Business</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b><u>Bylaw amendment - Adam</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Governance committee reviewed bylaws, document is foundational document of the association. Was time for the bylaw to have updates made. Collaborated on changes the committee thought important.</li> <li>- The updates summary was read out to those present (Adam)</li> <li>- Require 75% approval vote to pass changes.</li> <li>- Motion to vote on updates:</li> <li>- Policy document can be updated at the executive level and does not require the same approval to change as the bylaw document.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- <b>Adam motion to approve, Laura seconded, all executive and public members present approved, non in opposition.</b></li> <li>- <b><u>Update on missing ESMHA funds - Natalie &amp; Paul</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Agreement through restorative justice. Lynn Humphreys acknowledges taking \$55,183.95 from the ESMHA while she was treasurer. Has repaid \$18,200 to date. Plan in place to repay remaining \$36,983.95, possibly by the end of this year - if not, a monthly repayment plan will be in place.</li> <li>- Letter of acknowledgement from Lynn was read aloud to those present.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- <u>Question</u> - how do we avoid this moving forwards? Cash payments are gone, now e-transfer based, two signers. — There is a document of transparency measures, in the minutes from that time and will be uploaded alongside these minutes.</li> </ul>
<p><b>President</b></p>	<p>Motion to dissolve the board.</p>

**Call for nominations**

- President - Vacant
- Secretary - Adam nominates Whitney to continue - Natalie seconded - All in favour
- Equipment Manager - Adam nominates Joel to continue - Natalie seconded - All in favour
- Risk Manager - Adam nominates Laura to continue - Natalie seconded - All in favour
- Development Coordinator - Adam nominates Becky to continue - Natalie seconded - All in favour
- Budget Coordinator - no nominations from the floor, Adam re-offering, Natalie seconded, All in favour
- Registrar - Adam nominates Janet Butler - Natalie seconded, All in favour
- Elections complete

**Adam - motion to adjourn, Whitney seconded all in favour - 3:44pm**