

IMHA Annual General Meeting

This year IMHA conducted their a AGM through the gotowebinar platform as a result of the restrictions put on by the government in respect to Covid-19. The meeting was attended by 51 people and 10 IMH Board members. Twelve motions were discussed and voted on by our association and board members. In the end 11 of the 12 motions passed.

Motions:

1. Part 2 - Bylaws -League playing times - Remove Novice as Novice hockey follows Hockey Manitoba rules. CARRIED
2. Part 2 - Bylaws - Membership - Remove Ashern as a voting member. Ashern has had no teams formed in IMH. CARRIED
3. Part 2 - Bylaws - Membership - Remove Fisher Branch as a voting member. Fisher Branch has had no teams formed in IMH. CARRIED
4. Constitution Article 8 - Duties - The Director shall have the power to suspend any player, coach, manager, or official of a team or association, **or individual** for un-sportsmanlike conduct on or off the ice, or for abusive language to any of the officials, or failure to comply with the rules or regulations of the IMHA or Hockey Manitoba. Such suspension shall be effective until dealt with by the Officers. CARRIED
5. Part 2 - Bylaws - Meetings - All IMHA meetings can be done in the form of face-to-face, teleconference (webinar) or conference call. It will be the decision of the chairperson to determine format used. CARRIED
6. Part 2 - Bylaws - Team Registration - Associations must place their teams in age divisions as follows:
 - 1 team - team placed in A or B upon request
 - 2 teams - 1 in A / 1 in B or C
 - 3 teams - 1 in A / 1 in B / 1 in C - OR - 1 in A / 2 in B until Realignment Meeting as determined at the Reorganizational Meeting. CARRIED
7. Part 2 - Bylaws - Coaches - All coaches and trainers for teams within IMHA are required to provide their community association with a current **Criminal Record Check and Vulnerable Sector Query** prior to the start of league games each season. Community Associations are required to provide IMHA with a list of all coaches and confirmation that a current Criminal Record Check and Vulnerable Sector Query has been obtained. CARRIED
8. Part 2 - Bylaws - Bantam and Midget (U15 and U18) - U15 and U18 leagues will be no body-checking. DEFEATED
9. Part 2 - Bylaws - League midseason realignment meeting, near or before holiday break, teams can move to or from A, B, C divisions based on their results thus far in the season. Any team in the A Division at the conclusion of the midseason realignment meeting must compete in the A Division Playoffs. CARRIED
10. Change Division Names (housekeeping) - U7, U9, U11, U13, U15, U18 will now be used to refer to age divisions. CARRIED
11. Part 2 - Bylaws - Novice and Atom - Atom league to start the season North and South to seed the teams. After realignment meeting North to play South teams mixing until the end of the season. CARRIED
12. Part 2 - Bylaws - Meetings - Voting rights will be one vote per Association, in good standing. Members of the Interlake Minor Hockey Board of Directors will be one vote per elected position. Those Members of the Interlake Minor Hockey Board of Directors who also hold a position on their local Association board will be permitted to only one vote. Proxy votes will not be allowed. CARRIED

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Elections

Elections were held at the IMH Annual General Meeting for members of the IMH Board. The results of the elections are as follows:

- Dave Underwood - Director
- Derek Miller - Vice Director Male
- Kyle Willis - Vice Director Female
- Niels Kaczorowski - Development Coordinator
- Jody Johnson - Treasurer
- Carrie Gottfried - Secretary
- Kristin Murdock - Member at Large - North
- Cory Koomen - Member at Large - North
- Wes Kilberry - Member at Large - South
- Greg Morden - Member at Large - South

We would like to welcome our three new members to the Board, Cory Koomen from Arborg, Kristin Murdock from Fisher River and Greg Morden from St. Laurent.

Western Hockey League Draft



Interlake Minor Hockey would like to congratulate Hayden Wheddon on being drafted by the Edmonton Oil Kings of the WHL!!!!!!

Hayden played his minor hockey years with the Stonewall Blues. For the past 2 seasons, he has

played for the Interlake Lightning Bantam AAA, finishing the 2019/2020 season with 42 goals and a total of 74 points. During his 2 seasons with the Lightning, Hayden has amassed a total of 105 points.

Thank you



After 15 years of involvement with Riverton and Interlake Minor Hockey, Warren Toderan of Riverton has decided to hang up his skates and take a step back. Warren began coaching minor hockey in Riverton in 2005 and was elected as President of Riverton Minor Hockey in

2010. Warren was also a valuable member of the IMHA Board of Directors, serving as Director at the end of the 2018/2019 season and this past season as a Member-at-Large (North) overseeing the Atom Division. Thank you Warren for all your years of service in the Interlake. And we wish you all the best!

Thank you

After 25 years of involvement with hockey, Darren Bond has decided to take a step back.

Darren started coaching in 1995 and was certified as a coach clinic instructor in 2000. He was involved with the Teulon Minor Hockey Association, all the way up to President from 2008 to 2015. Darren has been on the IMH board in positions from Novice Convenor (2011) up to Vice Director Male (2018). He 'retires' this year after being AAA Coordinator for the 2019-2020 season.

Darrens' work ethic towards our development programs and IMH constitution was very much appreciated.

Thank you Darren for all your years of service in the Interlake.

We wish you all the best!

Manitoba Junior League Draft



Interlake Minor Hockey would like to congratulate the following players on being selected in the Manitoba Major Hockey League!

In the 2020 Manitoba Junior Hockey League draft Hayden Wheddon (top) was selected 3rd overall by the Selkirk Steelers. Rylan Slatcher (middle) was selected 52nd by the Selkirk Steelers and Dawson Cowan (bottom) was selected 58th to the Winnipeg Blues.



Message from Hockey Manitoba Player Registration 2020

Due to the situation surrounding the COVID-19 virus, the uncertainty of the start to the 2020-2021 season, as well as extensive updates that need to be made to the HCR with regard to the change in the Division names (i.e. Novice to U9, Atom to U11, etc.), Minor Hockey Associations unfortunately will not be permitted to begin registrations until mid-late June at the earliest. More information will be provided to all MHAs as of June 1st.

Thank you and stay safe,

Ashley Fergusson
Coordinator, Membership Services
Hockey Manitoba



IMHA Regional Teams Coaches

Male U18 AAA Provincial team will

be coached by Mr. Scott Wong and his staff. Scott is returning as head coach this season. Welcome back Scott and staff!

Female U18 AAA Provincial team - at the time of writing the newsletter coach not selected.

U17 Prep team will be coached by our returning coaches Mr. Liam Wheedon and Niels Kaczorowski. Welcome back Liam and Niels!

Male U15 AAA team will be coached by our returning coach Mr. Chad Balmer and his staff. Welcome back Chad and staff!

Female Bantam AAA team at the time of writing the newsletter coach not selected.

Male Bantam AA team - at the time of writing the newsletter coach not selected.

If you, or someone you know would like to be involved in coaching at a higher level, please contact Derek Miller (male programs) or Kyle Willis (female programs)..



Junior Lightning Development Program

Hockey Manitoba is changing their Rising Stars, Rising Stars Plus, Female Peewee Prospects and Directors Cup development programs. Hockey Manitoba feels that there is too much inconsistency with these development programs. Some regions ran the in season development skates and some did not. Some regions followed the program plans and some did not. **For the upcoming 2020-2021 season there will be no in season development for any of the three programs offered by Hockey Manitoba.** There will be two tournaments at the end of the season with a two to possibly three week gap in between. Hockey Manitoba will be running development skills sessions during these weekends to coincide with the games. Tryouts for the Hockey Manitoba Development programs will take place after Christmas with dates and locations yet to be determined. Tryouts will be open to all players in the Interlake region.

As a result of the above changes to those development programs and the lack of in-season regional development opportunities, Interlake Minor

Hockey Association is planning a pilot regional in season development program for U14 & U13 male and female Interlake players. This will be the **Junior Lightning Development Program**. Players will be asked to register for their respective development programs through our website: www.interlakeminorhockey.com.

Skill development skates will be every second Sunday, starting in October and running to the end of December. The program will take place in Teulon, which is centrally located for all associations to attend. Professional Skills development coaches will be brought in to facilitate these sessions. These skates will provide additional development opportunities for players looking to develop their skills and tryout for the Hockey Manitoba Rising Stars + and Female Peewee Prospects Programs. Depending on the success of the program this seasons we will look to expand the program to more age groups in future seasons. More Information to follow as the program is put into place.

Niels Kaczorowski
Development Coordinator
Interlake Minor Hockey Association



IMHA Registrar's Clinic

Hockey Manitoba will once again be conducting a registrar's clinic. At the time of writing the newsletter, Hockey Manitoba does not know in what format the clinic will take place, in person or webinar. Once HM makes a decision we will advise our associations.

This clinic is mandatory for all Interlake Minor Hockey Associations to attend.



IMHA Reorganization Meeting

Interlake Minor Hockey Reorganization Meeting will be held on Wednesday September 16, 2020.

IMH will be distributing the team/player worksheet prior to the meeting so associations can work together finding players teams to play on. We will also be asking if association teams will be participating in league play.

Association representatives, please know your player and team numbers for each division.



IMHA 2020/2021 Season

We are hoping the Interlake Minor Hockey projected season start date will be October 24, 2020.

Christmas break will be December 21, 2020.

Second half will start January 4, 2021.



IMHA Initiation Jamboree

Interlake Minor Hockey Initiation jamboree will be on November 21, 2020.

We will also be hosting a Hockey Manitoba Coaches Specialty, clinic (Skating 1A) at this jamboree. It is strongly recommended that one coach per team attend.

At the time of writing this newsletter the host has not been determined.

All teams must attend.



IMHA Novice Jamboree

Interlake Minor Hockey Novice jamboree will be on October 24, 2020. At the time of writing this newsletter the host has not been determined

All teams must attend.



Respect in Sport

If a members' (parent/coach/team official) Respect in Sport certification is scheduled to expire prior to the completion of the current season (May

31st) they are required to re-certify by December 1st of the current season. In other words, if your Respect in Sport is due to expire this season, 2020, you **MUST** re-certify by Decemeber 1, 2020.

Any questions please contact Dave Underwood - daveunderwood@xplornet.ca.