

**Meeting Minutes** 

Submitted by: Gregg Stepto, Secretary

**Board Members in Attendance:** Marc Paquette, James Kendrick, Gregg Stepto, Elizabeth Parcher, Rob Bateman, Shane Dobson, Charles Male, Mike Rippon.

**Board Members Absent:** Lucky Benning, Ron O'Connell, John Lee, Dan Danis.

### 1.0 Call to Order and Attendance:

James Kendrick called the meeting to order at 19:08.

### 2.0 Approval of Minutes from Previous Annual General Meeting:

James Kendrick reviewed the minutes of the May 13, 2015 Annual General Meeting.

**Motion:** Motion that the minutes of the May 13, 2015 be approved and posted on the Ottawa Jr 67's website.

Moved by Rob Collins Seconded by Marc Paquette Carried

#### 3.0 President's Report:

Lucky Benning was unable to attend the AGM in person. He was relocated for his job to British Columbia. James Kendrick read Lucky's report. James welcomed everyone to the 2015 AGM and reviewed some of the club's highlights and activities during the 2014-2015 season, including:

- Building and delivering a more robust player development plan.
- Enhancing the interface between the Jr 67s AAA hockey club and the 5 teams.
- This was the first year of the new AAA boundary.
- Consulting with AAA association presidents and responding to the proposed new Midget AAA league for Eastern Ontario
- Celebrating the on-ice success of the two Jr 67s AAA hockey teams that captured OEMHL AAA regular season championships (Major Bantam and Minor Midget), the Major Bantam team that captured the OEMHL playoffs and won the Bronze medal at the All Ontario provincial championship.

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### 4.0 Reports of the Board of Directors:

### 4.1 Vice-President, Operations Report

James Kendrick summarized the 2014/2015 Ottawa Jr 67s AAA hockey club season as a great success. For example, Club try-outs were run out of the new Richcraft Sensplex, all tryout sessions were held at one location which made for ease of operations and scheduling. 4 of the 5 teams made the finals in the OEMHL play-offs, with the Major bantams capturing the OEMHL play-off championship and winning the bronze medal all Ontario Bantam Provincial Championship. The Minor Midget team had a strong at the OHL Cup losing in the quarter finals. There were 9 OHL Priority Selection draft picks, had 1 OEMHL AAA Leading Scorer (Sam Bitten).

## 4.2 Vice-President, Player Development's Report

Mike Rippon, outlined the core development program offerings that were provided as part of the Jr 67s player program in 2014-2015. These activities included but were not limited to:

- Moga/training (Joanna-Lynn McBain)
- Player testing on ice and off ice (Peak)
- Goaltender instruction (Tom Dempsey)
- On Ice Instruction (Team Discretion)
- Nutrition (Beth Mansfield)
- Sports Psychology ( Dr.Natalie Durand-Bush)

# 4.3 Treasurer's Report

Rob Bateman reported that the financial budget of the Ottawa 67's is in excellent shape. Financial reports were made available at the AGM and handed out to attendees.

#### 4.4 Registrar's Report

Charles Male reported that a total of 224 players tried out for ALL levels in 2014-15, four (4) fewer than the number that tried out in 2013-14 and twenty eight (28) fewer than in 2012. Overall, a downward trend in tryout registrations has been observed.

Increased registrations were observed from the following associations: Blackburn, Canterbury, Gloucester Centre, Orleans, Ottawa Centre, South End, Ottawa East and West End. As expected because of the boundary changes implemented for the 2014-15 hockey season, there were five fewer registrations from each of Leitrim and Russell Minor Hockey Associations for a totaling 10.

Overall, we had 68 player affiliations in 2014-15 compared to 64 affiliations in 2013-14.

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# 4.5 Club Scheduler's Report

Marc Paquette reported that, in 2014-2015, the Ottawa Jr 67s AAA hockey club obtained practice and game ice from District B (44%), District 9 (24%), Richcraft Sensplex (32%).. The 5 teams received an average of 100 hours of practice ice from the club. On average, each team had 185 total hours of ice, including regular season games, playoffs, Provincials (where applicable) and goalie development. The Major Bantams had the most hours of ice (213) and the Major Midgets the least (151).

### 4.7 Director, Communication's Report

Shane Dobson reported that the Ottawa Jr 67's will switch over to Goal Line Website. Benefits include:

- Less Expensive
- More online posting and content options can be leveraged
- Posting of web content will be done by board members to allow for timelier posting of information.

The Ottawa Jr 67s' AAA Hockey club continues to build upon its communication footprint through the use of Facebook and Twitter.

#### 4.8 Director, Fundraising and Sponsorship's Report

Elizabeth Parcher reported that the mandatory "sponsor-a-player" program raised a total of \$66,035.00 in 2014-2015 all of which is credited to the player.

Also there was a clarification on a motion that was passed in 2014 indicating that any family that has obtained business or public business sponsorships that exceed the total amount of their Team fee and Club fee is NOT entitled to a refund of monies. Excess sponsorship funds will be applied against current year expenses of the Ottawa Jr. 67s AAA Hockey Club.

In addition, the Ottawa Jr 67s AAA hockey club received sponsorships totaling \$6,250.00 from Capital Sports Photo, Ottawa Voyageurs and CIBC Wood Gundy.

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## 4.9 Equipment Manager's Report

James Kendrick reported for Ron O'Connell

Following Orders have been placed

- Pant shells for the new Major Pewees entering AAA next season

New game jersey orders and socks, larger pant shells and tryout jersey orders have been cancelled. Once the proposed Midget AAA decision has been finalized and a decision on what teams the 67's will be putting out, these orders can be put through once again. A delay of 4-6 weeks can be anticipated for new game jerseys however, we have enough inventory to carry us through this early part of the 2015/16 season.

As mentioned, most orders for new equipment and clothing will depend on this new AAA Junior league. We will have enough time to follow through on all orders if the proposal does not pass for this upcoming season.

The organization will have to decide on several new items that are proposed for next year:

- Tryout jerseys issued to all players, not just new players to the organization
- New set of jerseys' for Major Bantam
- New hockey bags

New equipment will be ordered by end of May 2015.

### 5.0 Old Business:

There was no old business.

### 6.0 New Business:

#### 6.1 Approval of financial statements

Rob Bateman presented the draft Ottawa Jr 67s AAA hockey club financial information for the 2014-2015 season including proposed and actual budget, balance sheet, and income statement.

**Motion:** Motion to approve the draft Ottawa Jr 67s AAA hockey club financial statements for the period 2014-2015.

Moved by Rob Bateman Seconded by Mike Rippon Carried

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## 7.0 <u>Presentation of Slate of Nominees for Election of Director positions</u>:

The following was presented:

- No name was put forward to replace Lucky Benning who is stepping down as President. The position currently remains vacant and will be filled at a future board meeting.
- No name was put forward to replace James Kendrick who is stepping down as VP Ops. The position currently remains vacant and will be filled at a future board meeting.
- No name was put forward for the role of Club Scheduler (2-year term). The position currently remains vacant and will be filled at a future Board meeting.
- Chris Butler was nominated for VP Player Development (2 year term) and accepted the nomination
- Yves Frechette was nominated for Treasurer (2-year term) and accepted the nomination
- Shane Dobson was nominated for Director Communications (2-year term) and accepted the nomination.

#### 8.0 Election of Directors:

No voting was required - All candidates were acclaimed into their positions.

#### 9.0 Adjournment:

There was no further business. James Kendrick thanked the members of the Board for their hard work over the past year before adjourning.

Meeting adjourned 20:45

Moved by Marc Paquette
Seconded by Elizabeth Parcher
Carried