

AUCKLAND ICE HOCKEY ASSOCIATION Inc



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DATE: 17 Nov 2020, 7:00 pm

Michael Domigan welcomed everyone to the 2020 Auckland Ice Hockey AGM. We have a quorum with greater than 20 full members present and signed in.

Apologies: Kyle Kaliniak

Topic	Notes	Action
Minutes from previous	Motion to recognize 2019 AGM minutes as an accurate version. Minutes were seconded by AJ Spiller.	None
Matters Arising	No matters recorded. Lifetime memberships from 2019 to be awarded at League opening in March 2021.	None
Annual Reports	Annual report was presented and has been posted on the AIHA website. Call for questions made for each Board Member's report. No questions were raised from the floor.	None
AIHA Accounts	Director of Finance, Karen Messenger presented the financial statements for Year ending 31 October 2019 audited by Ashton Wheelans . Noted items from the year to year (2018 to 2019) : Balance sheet were prepaid expenses and higher Accounts payable as invoices were not received with enough time to pay prior to year end. Registrations were similar year on year. 2019 AIHA received grants for ice time and equipment. Major expense was ice time. LTP added 1 extra day. 2019- AIHA took over grant application preparation from the contractor used in 2018. 2019- Head coach moved to full time employment, then departed. The General Manager position was filled part-time initially then moved to full-time. Expenses for both the 2018 and 2019 prizegivings fell in 2019 financial year.	Motion from floor to accept the 2019 Financial statements. Motion was Seconded. Motion was accepted with unanimous vote of approval.
Election of Officers 2020-21	There was a call for nominations for each role from the floor. None came forward. There are currently no nominations for: League Director, Learn to Play and League Direction, Bantams. Note President position is a 2-year term. Voting by show of hands after each nomination read. 2020-21 AIHA Board Members are as follows: President : Carl McIntyre (uncontested): Unanimous approval. VP: Timothy Butterfield (uncontested): Unanimous approval. Director of Finance: Karen Messenger (uncontested): Unanimous approval. Director of Administration: Wayne Curtis (uncontested): Unanimous approval.	Open positions may be appointed at next board meeting to be held in Dec 2020.

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	<p>Director of Officiating: Paul Taillon (uncontested): Unanimous approval. Secretary: Mary Alice Simon (uncontested): Unanimous approval. Director of Marketing and communication: Michael Domigan, (uncontested) : Unanimous approval. Director of Player and Coaching Development : Cameron Stephen (uncontested) : Unanimous approval. League Director – LTP : no nominations received, vacant position League Director - U12: no nominations, vacant position League Director -Bantams: AJ Spiller nominated Spencer Noonan, seconded by Jen Jones. Unanimous Approval. League Director -Juniors: Jen Jones, (uncontested): Unanimous approval. League Director - Adult Hockey: Aaron Somerville, (uncontested) : Unanimous approval. Director of Women's Hockey : Michelle Cox, (uncontested) : Unanimous approval. Funding Coordinator : Wayne Curtis (uncontested) : Unanimous approval.</p> <p>NZIHf Delegates. There are 4 representatives from AIHA. NZIHf representatives were presented: Carl McIntyre, Michael Domigan, Wayne Curtis and AJ Spiller. (uncontested). Unanimous approval</p>	
Appointment of Auditor	Current auditor has worked with AIHA for many years. Karen Messenger supports their approval.	<p>Motion from Karen Messenger to accept Ashton Wheelans as auditor. Motion was seconded seconded. Motion was accepted with unanimous vote of approval.</p>
Life Membership	Call for nominations for Life Membership was made. Wayne Curtis nominated Jen Jones life membership. Jen has served on board for a number of years, has served as league directors across age divisions and served as Representative Team Manager through several grades. She continually provides support for the club during games.	<p>Motion from Wayne Curtis to nominate Jen Jones for Life Membership. Motion seconded by Andreas Kaiser. Motion was accepted by members.</p>
General Business	<p>Michael Domigan presented 3 motions for Constitution changes (require 75% of vote). Note changes to take effect immediately if passed.</p> <p>1. Motion to align AIHA Membership age groups with NZIHf.: Junior 20 & Under. Senior 21 & Over. Motion provides registration and player development alignment between AIHA and NZIHf. There will be a reduced fee for those players 18-19 years old. This is an age group where we lose players. The change will align registration</p>	<p>1. Motion from Michael Domigan to accept proposal 1. Motion was seconded by Andy Kaiser.</p> <p>Motion was accepted with unanimous vote of approval.</p>



	<p>with NZIHF National registration system as part of AIHA. Participation in different leagues is still permitted. The age brackets are for tracking players and will not affect how AIHA administers individual leagues and on-ice participation.</p> <p>2. Motion to reduce the AGM quorum requirement from 20 members to 10 members present. This is proposed as a way to make AGMs more feasible so AIHA does not have to postpone due to not enough people attending (occurred in the past). Question was posed if AIHA can have AGM via Zoom? Yes, this could be considered. Members discussed the number of board positions vs number for a quorum. Board Members count toward a quorum and 10 members is fewer than number of board positions. Quorum of 10 would be the minimum in order to host a valid AGM. One member noted that the reminders (email, facebook) for AGM have been very helpful. Question was asked if anyone proposes an amendment to the number, eg. 15. No one responded with an alternative. Motion presented as a minimum of 10 members present. Following the vote, Carl McIntyre noted that It's our Job (the AIHA board) to encourage members attend to the AGM.</p> <p>3. Motion to align AIHA Junior & Senior Suspension schedule with the NZIHF Competition Disciplinary, Tribunal & Suspension Regulations. Existing AIHA Disciplinary Schedule to be replaced and all further Junior & Senior disciplinary matters to be managed by AIHA using the NZIFHF document. Carl McIntyre presented the Rationale for this change. AIHA has its own schedule which differs from NZIHF. AIHA should align with NZIHF so disciplinary standard from Auckland is the same as that used in National games. Players would be treated in the same way. Question from the floor: Can AIHA add additional penalty? Carl answered yes, but only if it goes to Tribunal. AIHA code of conduct still applies. Auckland Tribunal can address this. This serves on-ice issues primarily. Andreas Kaiser discussed how the penalties are administered.</p> <p>Cary McIntyre said AIHA would follow NZIHF as they review and change/update rules. AIHA has 4 members on the NZIHF board which can bring forward changes and provide input as NZIHF reviews and update their schedule. This change would apply to all leagues in AIHA, including house games. AJ Spiller noted that this change makes sense for consistency. There was further discussion from the floor regarding on how penalties are administered.</p>	<p>2. Motion from Michael Domigan to accept proposal 2. Motion was seconded by Wayne Curtis. Motion was accepted with unanimous vote of approval.</p> <p>3. Motion from Michael Domigan to accept proposal 3. Motion was seconded by Steven MacDonald. Motion was accepted with unanimous vote of approval.</p>
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Michael Domigan made a call for General Business from the Floor.

1. Andreas Kasser asked are there any plans for changes to Leagues, age groups, structure?

AJ Spiller responded that there are no plans to change structure.

Carl McIntyre and Paul Taillon noted that the downside to the current format is with reduced referee development. Juniors were not able to referee Bantam games due to the schedule conflict.

Paul Taillon added there is currently no stepping stone for referees to gain experience. We had some games on Saturdays for junior leagues, we could consider this next year.

Andreas Kasser asked if there AIHA would consider having Junior referees in Senior leagues?

Paul Taillon responded that it depends on the referee and the adult referee who is available to supervise. Bantams are refereeing the Super League and they are doing a great job. The more the kids are running it the better this program will be. To go from U12 to Senior C is tough.

2. Steven MacDonald asked if AIHA does a photo day? It's nice to have the group team photos.

Jen Jones responded that AIHA has been done in the past. It's something we could organize in the future.

3. Steven MacDonald asked if any of the house teams do any team building activities? Some of the managers do this. Booking ice for their team, or a special event for the team to build chemistry.

AJ Spiller responded that AIHA runs off-ice sessions at the beginning of the season. Active zone in Glenfield is booked in Feb/March next year. Brings in team building aspect as well.

Cam Stephens said we want to develop more off-ice opportunities to build strength. It's a big part of the holiday program.

5. Quintin Steytler said the Adult league had new teams this year. What's happening next year?

AJ Spiller responded that we waiting to see what NZIHL schedule and what the league numbers will be like next year before we commit to these teams.

Paul Taillon said if we have full NZIHL season, those players will move out of A league back to NZIHL.

Carl McIntyre said there would be discussion at NZIHF meeting this weekend. Imports will not be part of the season next year. Moving players in and out of A league to NZIHF has been difficult to manage in the past (ice time breaks, players gone due to game schedule).

Ice time will dictate the teams and schedule. We should be able to build a season that accommodates playing in both the A league and NZIHL.

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Closing	Michael Domigan presented a motion to close the meeting. It was seconded. Meeting closed for 2020.	
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Meeting adjourned 8:03 pm

Signed by AIHA President
Carl McIntyre
01/12/2020