



REFEREE COMMITTEE
Annual General Meeting
June 7, 2015
Radisson – 67th St., Red Deer, AB



Attendance: Dave Shaw (Chair), Dave Butler, Craig DeCoursey, Marty Tingstad, Jared Greenberg, Mark Woytkiw, Arron Best, Stefan Brown, Collin Watt, Jody Ginther, Darren Kuz , Geoff DeSilva, Corey Halford, Kevin Adam, Ken Dentzien, Dean Ziegler, Mike Rebus, Chris Rebus, Sanjeev Bhagrath, Herman Costa, Brad Yoshida, Clayton Hall, Rikki Lee Gavin, Craig DeCoursey, Brent Ramsay, Chris Despot, Mike McGregor, Lance McKinnon, S. Wing, J.L'Heureux, T. Flaig, D. Roberts, C. Nichols, G. Greenough, A. Brown, J. Beuigneul, T. Pawsey, M. Roberts, L. Senuk, C. Gregory, S. Knowlton, F. Lawrence

Life Members: Duncan MacDougall, Wayne Krausnick, Dave Ganley, J. Jacobs, W. Popik

Staff: Mike Klass, Holly Martin, Melissa Drake

1. Call to Order – Dave Shaw

D. Shaw called the meeting to order at 10:06am

2. Roll Call

D. Shaw introduced those in attendance

3. Moment of Silence

A moment of silence was observed for those individuals who had passed away over the past season with a special acknowledgement of Gary Tremblay who passed away in January of 2015.

4. Introductions

4.1. Life Members – Duncan MacDougall, Wayne Krausnick, Dave Ganley, J. Jacobs and W. Popik

4.2. Branch Representatives – Mike Klass and Holly Martin

4.3. Recognition of Those Leaving and Joining Executives

Marty Tingstad, Jared Greenberg, Cory McLean, Ryan Weyland, Darren Kuz, CJ Senkow, Stefan Brown and Jody Ginther

D. Shaw thanked the exiting Chairmen for their service

5. Agenda

1.1. Additions/Deletions

1.2. Acceptance of Agenda

Motion: To accept the 2015 Referee Committee Annual General Meeting Agenda as presented

Moved By: D. Zeigler

Seconded By: C. Despot

Carried

6. Minutes of June 2, 2014

6.1. Errors or Omissions

6.2. Acceptance of Minutes



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Motion: To accept the 2014 Referee Committee Annual General Meeting Minutes as presented

Moved By: C. Despot

Seconded By: K. Adam

Carried

6.3. Business Arising from Minutes

No business to discuss at this time

7. Reports

7.1. Provincial Chairman

Report was circulated prior to the meeting. D. Shaw outlined his first year as Chairman of the Referee Committee and the challenges he faced. He added that it was a great year overall with many opportunities for officials to take part in. He thanked the provincial coordinators, C. Nichols and D. Butler for their hard work as well as his wife for her support.

7.2. Past Provincial Chairman

C. Nichols thanked S. Haarstad and K. Bellamy from Hockey Alberta, zone match coordinators, and the Committee for their work this season.

7.3. Treasurer/ Registrar

D. Butler updated on the financial status stating that there is an operating deficit of \$4,737.00

Motion: To adopt 2015 Audit Record as presented

Moved By: C. DeCoursey

Seconded By: J. Ginther

Carried

D. Butler noted that two \$25,000.00 payments will be made to Hockey Alberta in the next two years to cover the remainder of the E-Learning outstanding balance. These payments were approved at the 2015 Referee Committee Executive Meeting and will result in a \$30,000.00 deficit.



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Motion: To approve the budget adjustment to a \$30,000.00 deficit

Moved By: M. Rebus

Seconded By: J. Ginther

Carried

D. Butler stated that registrations were up 2.5% and thanked zone registrars, clinic coordinators and zone chairmen for their help and support.

7.4. Hockey Alberta Board of Directors Report

M. Klass thanked D. Shaw and the executive for their support throughout the season. He also thanked those that attended the winter and fall zone meetings and added that Hockey Alberta will be looking for ways to support the Referee Committee in their clinic process. M. Klass outlined the new Criminal Record Check Policy that has been approved by the Hockey Alberta Board of Directors for the 2015/2016 season.

7.5. Zone Reports and Awards (zone reports circulated prior to meeting)

7.5.1. South – J. Ginther thanked D. Shaw, D. Butler, M. Klass and H. Martin for their support.

South Zone Award winner:

- Aaron Brown

7.5.2. Central – C. DeCoursey thanked the central zone executive, rural referee chiefs, M. Klass and H. Martin for their work and support in the past season. He noted that the zone saw many high profile assignments, zone swaps and shadows over the season and thanked the chairmen for the travel opportunities. He finished by acknowledging the hard work of the officials in the central zone.

Central Zone Award Winners:

- Rural – Corey Halford
- City – Jeff DeSilva
- Community – Sean Brett

7.5.3. North Central – J. Greenberg thanked the executive members with specific mention to C. Nichols for his assistance in transitioning into the position.



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North Central Award Winner:

- Paul Code

7.5.4. **North Zone** – C. Watt thanked the zones for the travel opportunities and congratulated officials that had national and international assignments. He also thanked all volunteers and zone executives.

North Zone Award Winners:

- Chris Rebus
- Hockey Edmonton
- Bob Olynyk

7.5.5. **North East** – M. Woytkiw thanked zones for the travel opportunities. He also thanked D. Shaw, all executives and volunteers

North East Zone Award Winner

- Derrick Chris

7.5.6. **Peace Zone** – M. Tingstad thanked the zones for the travel opportunities and thanked C. Despot for his hard work and organization. He noted that after fourteen years he is stepping aside from his position as zone chairman. He added that he has enjoyed his time and thanked the members of the Peace Zone, the executive and the Referee Committee.

Peace Zone Award Winner (presented by CJ. Senkow)

- Marty Tingstad

7.6. Development Reports

7.6.1. Female

A. Best outlined the season with recognition to the success of L. Senuk (Level 5), Erica Holmes, Michelle Barry, Shannon Klein and Jackie Fitz. She thanked the zone chairmen, D. Shaw and zone executives. She expressed the improvement of relationships throughout the zone and the “getting back to the grassroots” approach that has been taken throughout the province.

7.6.2 Alberta Cup/Development Camp



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M. Woytkiw thanked the Central Zone for their support and noted that the 2015/2016 year will be his last year as Development Camp.

Development Award Winner:

- Brady Anderson

7.6.3. Supervision

D. Ganley stated that the Provincials Seminar will be October 17/18, 2015 with 50 delegates funded. He congratulated the following

- Darryl McKay
- Reid Anderson
- Sanjeev Bhagrath
- Chris Schlinker
- Matt Schoenroth
- Cody Rude
- Kevin Webinger

7.6.4. OPOE Candidates (to be handled at meetings during the Hockey Alberta Annual General Meeting)

7.7. Provincial Leagues

D. Shaw updated the group on CIS male and female and the plan to speak with them to improve communication. He added that CIS is moving to a full four-official roster next year for male and 25% four-official roster for females. D. Shaw spoke about his conversation with the AJHL in order to remedy the issues seen in the 2014/2015 season.

8. New Business

8.1. Bylaw Changes – 2016/2017 Season

Changes were circulated prior to the meeting. D. Shaw outlined the proposed changes to the bylaws and added that the changes are necessary in order to bring them in line with Hockey Alberta and other branches.

Old wording read as follows:

Zone Committee Chairman Nominations

Old Wording

4.6.1 The Zone Committee shall at each Zone Committee Annual Meeting elect a Zone Committee Executive. Subject to Bylaw 4.6.2 below, the Zone Committee Executive shall consist of a minimum of eight (8) persons. Each person nominated for election to the Zone



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Committee Executive must be a Member of Referees' Committee residing in the relevant Referees' Zone and be in good standing with Referees' Committee. The Zone Committee Executive shall be composed of the following:

(a) Zone Committee Chairman;

New Wording (changes in Bold)

4.6.1 *The Zone Committee shall at each Zone Committee Annual Meeting elect a Zone Committee Executive. Subject to Bylaw 4.6.2 below, the Zone Committee Executive shall consist of a minimum of eight (8) persons. Each person nominated for election to the Zone Committee Executive must be a Member of Referees' Committee residing in the relevant Referees' Zone and be in good standing with Referees' Committee. **Nominations for the Zone Executive Committee must be signed by two members of Referee Committee who are in good standing and submitted in writing to the Secretary at least 14 days prior to the date of the AGM. The person nominated for Zone Committee Chairman shall have served a minimum of one year on the Zone Committee Executive.** The Zone Committee Executive shall be composed of the following:*

(a) Zone Committee Chairman;

There was discussion surrounding the wording of "...one year on the Zone Committee Executive..." and the issue of filling spots 14 days in advance.

Motion: To change the sentence "*The person nominated for Zone Committee Chairman shall have served a minimum of one year on the Zone Committee Executive*" to "*The person nominated for Zone Committee Chairman shall have served a minimum of one year on a Zone Committee Executive*".

Moved By: D. Zeigler

Seconded By: C. Despot

Carried



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Motion: To remove the 14 day stipulation from the sentence *“Nominations for the Zone Executive Committee must be signed by two members of Referee Committee who are in good standing and submitted in writing to the Secretary at least 14 days prior to the date of the AGM”*.

Moved By: D. Roberts

Seconded By: W. Krausnick

Defeated

There was discussion around specifying “Zone Chairmen” in the bylaw in order to clarify the statement.

Motion: To amend the bylaw to read *“Nominations for the Zone Committee Chairmen must be signed by two members of Referee Committee who are in good standing and submitted in writing to the Zone Secretary at least 14 days prior to the date of the AGM”*

Moved By: C. Watt

Seconded By: C. Despot

Carried

Vote: To amend bylaw 4.6.1 to read the following:

4.6.1 The Zone Committee shall at each Zone Committee Annual Meeting elect a Zone Committee Executive. Subject to Bylaw 4.6.2 below, the Zone Committee Executive shall consist of a minimum of eight (8) persons. Each person nominated for election to the Zone Committee Executive must be a Member of Referees' Committee residing in the relevant Referees' Zone and be in good standing with Referees' Committee. Nominations for the Zone Committee Chairmen must be signed by two members of Referee Committee who are in good standing and submitted in writing to the Secretary at least 14 days prior to the date of the AGM. The person nominated for Zone Committee Chairman shall have served a minimum of one year on a Zone Committee **Executive**. The Zone Committee Executive shall be composed of the following:

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Vote Carried



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Referee Committee Chairman Nominations

Old Wording

5.1.4 Referees' Committee shall elect the Committee Chairman for a term of two (2) years. In the event that the individual elected should resign, die, or become incapacitated during his/her term, Referees' Committee Executive shall appoint by resolution an individual which is then on Referees' Committee Executive to serve as Committee Chairman for the unexpired portion of the term of the original Committee Chairman. Nominations for Committee Chairman must be signed by two members of Referee Committee who are in good standing and submitted in writing to the Secretary-Treasurer at least 14 days prior to the date of the AGM.

New Wording (changes in **Bold**)

*5.1.4 Referees' Committee shall elect the Committee Chairman for a term of two (2) years. In the event that the individual elected should resign, die, or become incapacitated during his/her term, Referees' Committee Executive shall appoint by resolution an individual which is then on Referees' Committee Executive to serve as Committee Chairman for the unexpired portion of the term of the original Committee Chairman. Nominations for Committee Chairman must be signed by two members of Referee Committee who are in good standing and submitted in writing to the Secretary-Treasurer at least 14 days prior to the date of the AGM. **The person nominated for Committee Chairman shall have served a minimum of one year on a Zone Committee Executive or Referee Committee Executive.***

Motion: To amend bylaw 5.1.4 as presented above

Moved By: C. Halford

Seconded By: M. Roberts

Carried

Vacating a Position

Old Wording

4.6.5 In the event that any person elected (or appointed) as a Zone Committee Executive vacates his position on the Zone Committee Executive, for any reason whatsoever, the remaining Zone Committee Executive at their next meeting or within thirty (30) days, whichever is the sooner, may appoint by resolution a person to complete the term of the vacated seat on

the Zone Committee Executive. Notwithstanding the power to appoint as aforesaid, the

remaining Zone Committee Executive may resolve to call a bi-election at the following Zone Committee Annual Meeting to fill the vacated position for the unexpired term.



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New Wording (changes in Bold)

4.6.5 In the event that any person elected (or appointed) as a Zone Committee Executive vacates his position on the Zone Committee Executive, for any reason whatsoever, the remaining Zone Committee Executive at their next meeting or within thirty (30) days, whichever is the sooner, may appoint by resolution a person to complete the term of the vacated seat on the Zone Committee Executive. Notwithstanding the power to appoint as aforesaid, the remaining Zone Committee Executive may resolve to call a bi-election at the following Zone Committee Annual Meeting to fill the vacated position for the unexpired term. **The elected or appointed member (including chairman) who resigns shall cease to be part of the Referee's Committee Executive or Zone Committee Executive in any manner effective immediately.**

Motion: To amend bylaw 4.6.5 to read as presented above

Moved By: H. Costa

Seconded By: K. Adam

Carried

8.2. Clinics

8.2.1. Registration – D. Shaw

D. Shaw updated the group on the plan to have a Hockey Alberta staff member be in charge of all clinic resource material including inventory and shipping. The registration, clinic resources, and insurance fee payments would be processed through the office so as to centralize and streamline the process. D. Shaw noted that there will be a Criminal Record Check policy in place for the 2015/2016 year that will cost \$33.00 and be good for three years.

9. Awards & Scholarships

9.1. Golf Award Winners – C. Nichols

C. Nichols thanked L. McKinnon for his hard work, acknowledged the winning team and stated that the Gary Tremblay Memorial Golf Tournament raised \$1,770.00 for the Tremblay family.

9.2. Future Leaders Scholarships

M. Klass updated that the Future Leaders Scholarship Program will no longer be running due to a lack of applicants.

9.3. Referee Committee Scholarships

C. Nichols noted that there were 25 applicants for the Referee Committee Scholarships.

Referee Committee Scholarship Winners



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- Tyson Klegg of Airdrie
- Jeffery McDonald
- Makayla Brown

9.4. **Ken Stiles Award Winner** – Chris Rebus

9.5. **HDC Award Winner** – C. DeCoursey to receive this award at the Hockey Alberta Annual General Meeting.

9.6. **Hockey Alberta Hall of Fame Inductee**

R. Gavin was inducted into the Alberta Sports Hall of Fame with her Lethbridge rugby team

9.7. **Dave Ganley Award**

2015 Winners of the Dave Ganley Award:

- Aaron Brown
- Gary Greenough

9.8. **Ernie Boruk Award – Presented by C. Nichols**

2015 Winner of the Ernie Boruk Award:

- Don Roberts

9.9. **Life Member Award – Presented by C. Nichols**

2015 Winner of the Life Member Award

- Wayne Krausnick

10. Next Meeting – Sunday June 5, 2016

11. Adjournment

Motion: To adjourn the 2015 Referee Committee Annual General Meeting at 1:00pm

Moved By: W. Popik

Seconded By: J. Jacobs

Carried