

**FMH Board Meeting Minutes**  
**May 8, 2023**  
**ZOOM 8:00 pm**



**I. Call to Order** Lisa calls to order at 8:09 pm

**In attendance** - Lisa, Nicholle, Harmony, Coralee, Chris, Cody, Shea, Jodi

**II. Approval of the Agenda** -No changes

**III. Approval of the Minutes from April 17, 2023 (attached)**

Harmony moves to approve minutes with adjustment to Girls update

-update that Jason did not communicate back with numbers - Harmony/Jenn/Jason did meet - have not heard official EVMH female number  
Coralee seconds

**IV. Old (Ongoing) Business – Board Reports**

**1. President**

Joint Discussion meeting with EVMHA - See attached

Would like to move forward with the Raiders teams

-Numbers provided

-Once June registration is completed then fast action is required based on numbers

-Roster the team in the association with the most players on the team rather than for ease for EK rostering

-agreement will be made at the forming of the team

Concern for U13 numbers in Fernie depending on who makes Raiders or Bucks

U15 - high numbers - 49 estimated assuming everyone returns to play

-leaves great flexibility even with players making Cranbrook

U15/U18 no promises based on what tryouts will look like until after the fallout of Cranbrook

-might have a natural split

U18 - 23 (10 fernie) 4 goalies, all males

EVMH has agreed to increase their fees to match ours

U11 - conversation was brought up about combining - there was very little in this idea - currently there are enough players for 4 oversize teams total - 2 in each community

Communication needs to be improved from last year - Player development and Coach development need to work together better at the start of the season. There was an

understanding. Old documents have been brought back to life and will be sent to EVMH as well as our new board

**ACTION - Lisa will send out these documents so everyone is aware**

Coach Coordinator/Player Development from Fernie will likely need to head the Raiders - EVMH members are very new.

EK AGM on Saturday - is not planning to put her name forward for any positions - 1 of 2 mandatory in person meetings

- Not aware of anything that will need approval
- Zone lead appointment ? Justin Campbell

**2. Vice President - nothing to report**

**3. Administrator Report**

Prep for AGM

Prep for Registration

Ice scheduling in order

Discussion around ordering FMH Swag through registration - through Thomas Skelton

- all items will be sublimated except track suits
- can be added to team snap
- minimum 10 pieces for order
- Shea has prices available
- second deadline around November for a second large order
- swag cost would be incorporated to the registration fee - and if the payment plan was selected this is how the gear would be paid as well

Early bird registration will open May15-May31

Regular registration starts June1 - Aug31

Registration will be closed after Aug31 - email request needs to be sent after this date.

Separate form for cancellation policy has been updated

Names are being received for positions on the board - encouraged if you are interested or know someone who would be interested PLEASE put your name forward

**ACTION - Shea will investigate how to get the swag orders incorporated into teamsnap for ordering**

**4. Secretary Report - nothing to report**

**5. Safety Coordinator Report - nothing to report**

**6. Player Development Report - not in attendance**

**7. Coach Coordinator Report**

No courses being offered yet - Cody is keeping an eye out for when the dates get posted

**8. Equipment Coordinator Report - not in attendance**

**9. Ice Coordinator Report**

Ice requests have been submitted - COF asked for them to be submitted in May this year rather than June

Shea will not be able to attend the scheduling meeting with the COF

Lisa happy to attend with the new board member who is able to attend  
June22

**10. Sponsorship / Tournament Coordinator Report - nothing to report**

**11. Referee Coordinator Report**

Elinor will attend our AGM with a short report on the season

Willing to train new applicant

Ad has not been placed as of yet - EVMHA did not have anyone put their names forward

**12. Treasurer Report**

Explanation on budget and deficit

Discussion for new board - Donations and Sponsorships- this is a line on the budget that can be worked at increasing and hope to keep our bottom line out of the red

-The board needs to be more proactive in the fundraising

Leave the lines on the financials as they stand -

-making it known that we will need to be doing more as a board to meet the target

**Harmony motions to approve the 2023-2024 budget**

**Jodi seconds**

**No one opposed**

**All (7) in favour**

**Motion passed**

**13. Female Coordinator Report - nothing to report**

**V. New Business**

**1. First Shift Program**

Successfully awarded a first shift program

Must run in the fall - must run in October

EVMH is on a waitlist for a winter program

Deadline is end of May to respond to their offers -

Does holding it in the fall defeat the purpose of what the program is supposed to encourage  
- registering for hockey the following season

-running it in the fall has the potential to create a flux of registrations

-ensure families understand they are part of First shift, not registered for a team

-having to make space for these kids on teams in the Fall will cause a lot of chaos

-will there be ice and volunteers available in the Fall

**ACTION - Lisa can ask if there is a way to move the offer to the Winter/Spring session.**

**Based on this response we will vote**

Thoughts on making a call the members about having someone volunteer to champion this program

-many in agreeance

## **2. Memorial/FMH Volunteer of the Year Award**

Lisa would like to propose that FMH create a Volunteer of the Year in the name of Arthur Sombrowski

-he was the VP for 11-12 seasons

-single handedly accomplished so much for the association

-stepped down from our board due to being on the Board for TFA Hockey Academy

-very much was still involved as an advisory role for years to come

FMH needs to be better at acknowledging our volunteers publicly

**ACTION Lisa will ask the family for permission to name an award in his honour**

**Lisa motions to create a non monetary Fernie Minor Hockey Volunteer of the Year in the name of Arthur Sombrowski yearly.**

**Coralee and Jodi second**

**No one opposed**

**All in favour**

**Motion passed**

Ideally awarded at the end of each season - perhaps at the AGM

New board will need to determine how the winner is chosen

## **3. AGM Discussion**

Directors do NOT need to be voting members - they can volunteer to help, report to the board on a regular on the progress - but when discussions need to be voted on they will not get a say - this can be presented at the AGM

Currently our board has 1 too many board positions

Currently Chris's role - perhaps this could be an advisory role NOT a voting role

-Hockey Advisor -

-happy to get on the ice to help the players, be involved in supporting coach coordinator/player development

Mike Jacobson - Director - not a specified role (perhaps player development)

Mike DeMarchi - will not be returning

Sam Snell - Director - Female Coordinator (Lisa did broach the idea of First shift administrative side of it)  
Katie Barnett - Director - Tournament Coordinator  
Dustin Auger - name stand for Player development  
Christina Wakeford - name stand for Secretary if it became open  
Nicholle Auger - name forward for Secretary and/or Safety  
Sean Gigliotti - happy to step down from Safety if there is someone else willing to take over  
Coralee Letcher - has accepted Treasurer nomination  
Jodi Erbacher - ½ Ice Director  
Cody Wakeford - would still like to be involved - uncertain to what extent  
Marni Barlow - interested in Safety  
Jenna Scott - interested in Equipment  
Lisa Samycia - EK rep - non voting role on our board  
Equipment Coordinator - does not need to be a voting member - does not need to attend meetings if this appeals to anyone

**ACTION - To send a list to the association of those who are interested in the open roles and make a call to those that might be interested**

**ACTION FOR NEW BOARD - Administrator contract**

**XVII. Comments and Announcements**

**XVIII. Next Meeting Date - June 11, 2023 @8:00pm**

**XIX. Adjournment**