



La Ronge Ice Wolves Junior Hockey Club

Annual General Meeting Minutes

June 2, 2015 7:00 PM

ATTENDANCE:

Officers of the Club	President:	Mike Bell	Present
	Vice President:	Rob Wilson	Present (7:45)
	Treasurer:	Peggy Hunt	Absent
	Secretary:	Dee Johns	Present
Board of Directors	Kevin Roberts		Absent
	Tim Fiske		Present
	Betty Kopeck		Present
	Mark Leblanc		Absent
	Mike Clark		Absent
	Barrett Halkett		Present (Excused himself at 8:30)

AGENDA:

Welcome	7:00pm
Review Minutes	Minutes from the 2014 AGM were not available.
Welcome	Mike Bell welcome and introduction of the Board Members
Agenda	Mike Bell introduced the Agenda. Val Connell requests an update on the JRMCC move proposal to be placed on the agenda.
Coaches Address	Shawn Martin introduced the new Assistant Coach Matt ____. Matt's experience includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 years of USA college hockey; • 1 year as a USA college hockey coach; • 1 year as a midget coach in Sherwood Park, AB. Shawn updates the 2014_2015 season: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Team was 1 point out of the playoffs; • 12 point increase from previous season; • 3 players moved onto College; • 6 SJHL awards over the season; • 3 players were enrolled in high school; • 8-10 players were working full time in the community. Shawn looks toward the 2015_2016 season: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 16 returning players; • New players from all over the province and country including Minnesota and Quebec; • Looking forward to the SJHL Bantam Draft. • Emphasis on community involvement. Shawn and Matt's goals include getting the



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players to know the community; and the community to know and embrace the players and team.

Question: How does Shawn recruit and pick the players?

Answer: A mix of the best player and the best player who will report to La Ronge. Straight skill set doesn't always work. Scouts have worked hard to find the best players that are excited to be part of the La Ronge team.

Question: Does the community recognize that the team had 8-9 players of Aboriginal ancestry?

Answer: A well balanced team is the goal. First Nation players are more likely to report to a northern centre. The hockey community is well aware of the team's diversity.

Question: is the budget available for the 2014_2015 season?

Answer: Not yet. The fiscal year end is June 30, 2015.

Financial

Mike Bell update and reviewed the financials

- 367,000 revenue in 2014-2015 season;
- 57,000 outstanding in revenue;
- Estimated 407,000 in expenses;
- 5,000 loss last year, compared to 2014 loss of 55,000 and 2013 loss of 55,000.

Question: What is the bank balance?

Answer: All accounts combined approximately \$15,000

\$220,000 in payables and \$58,000 in receivables. Club has no LOC or overdraft. The biggest problem is cash flow. Ticket sales are down and fan support is down. Last year ticket sales were approximately 12,000.

Question: Why are there so many receivables?

Answer: The Club isn't receiving payment or assertive enough in collecting. The Board has to collect on Annual Awards also.

Question: How many Board member positions are open?

Answer: 5 open and one 1-year position.

Question: With the fan support being so low, how can there only be a \$5,000 loss?

Answer: Fundraising has increased. One sportsman supper profited \$20,000 and the bar sales during games topped \$36,000. Attendance throughout the SJHL is low. Fan attendance will be better once the team starts to win more games.



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<p>Marketing Discussion</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Club goal is to encourage game attendance and community support. Emphasis on Board transparency and volunteer, sponsor appreciation. • Suggestion to go back to the long-term supporters. • Fans think the rink isn't inviting and the volunteers aren't being acknowledged or appreciated. • Marketing should be a 12 month job.
<p>Budget</p>	<p>Mike Bell introduced the 2015-2015 budget.</p>
<p>Appointment of Auditor</p>	<p>Mike Bell called for a motion to appoint Pinnacle Business Solutions out of Meadow Lake. Eric Bell made the motion. Seconded by Curtis Skalicky. CARRIED</p>
<p>Financial Trends</p>	<p>Jim Thiessen – Chair of the Financial Committee SJHL provided the report to the La Ronge Ice Wolves Board. Report to be placed on the website.</p> <p>Question: What makes up the long term debt of \$150,000? Answer: Mainly the bus and the Town of La Ronge rink fees.</p> <p>Question: Does the Club owe the Band, Village or Town for the purchase of the team? Answer: There is no set repayment agreement. This amount is over and above the long term debt.</p> <p>Discussion on community contribution equity, line of credit banking, and suggesting the Board needs to investigate new ways to gain revenue. Goal is to increase the fan and community support.</p> <p>Mike Bell addressed the issue and report that there have been no changes and no further discussion since last season. JRMCC is moving ahead with their expansion. However, as long as the team is in debt with the Town, there is no ability to move. Any speculation that JRMCC would pay off the Town debt if the team moved is inaccurate.</p>
<p>JRMCC Proposal</p>	<p>Dee Johns present the existing Constitution (2006) and the proposed Constitution. The proposed Constitution was drafted specifically to provide clarity to the intent of the existing Constitution. There were very few changes. The proposal addresses governance structure, nominations, membership fees and provides for committees.</p> <p>Motion to repeal the 2006 Constitution and adopt the Constitution by Hugh Watt. Seconded by Crystal Myslicki. Unanimously Carried</p>
<p>Constitution Proposal</p>	<p></p>



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Board Elections	<p>Board Members with 1 year left in their term:</p> <p>Rob Wilson Dee Johns Peggy Hunt Betty Kopeck Barrett Halkett – stepping down</p> <p>Nominations:</p> <p>Tim Fiske – letting his name stand Mike Bell – letting his name stand Grant Merriman – nominated by Curtis Skalicky Hugh Watt – nominated by Eric Bell Brent McDougall – nominated by Tim Fiske Lisa Dohm – nominated by Lynnette Merriman Kelly Provost – nominated by Hugh Watt – declined the nomination Lynnette Merriman – nominated by Betty Kopeck for a 1 year term (filling Barrett Halkett's position).</p> <p>Nomination cease – moved by Eric Bell.</p>
Final Questions	<p>Question: Who's on the coaching staff on the budget? Answer: the Head and Assistant Coach</p> <p>Question: How long was the Coach's contract renewed for and what's his record? Answer: 3 years and just shy of 500.</p>
Next meeting date:	<p>Annual General Meeting: October 2015 for the purpose of presented audited financial statements General Meeting: May 2016 for the purpose of electing Directors of the Board.</p>
Adjournment:	<p>9:45pm</p>