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**BC AMATEUR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
FRIDAY, JUNE 22, 2012
WHISTLER HILTON HOTEL
WHISTLER, B.C.**

PLENARY #1

CALL TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT SHANNON BELL (7:25 P.M.)

INTRODUCTION – WELCOME – PRESIDENT SHANNON BELL

Good evening, delegates, special guests, ladies and gentlemen, welcome to Whistler. It is my pleasure to call the 93rd Annual General Meeting of BC Hockey to order. On behalf of the Executive Committee, I would like to welcome you and extend a very warm welcome. Since this is going to be a busy evening, we're going to get right to it. I would ask that you turn off your cell phones. If you have any important calls, just put it on vibrate so that we don't interrupt the speakers and so on.

It is always a pleasure to introduce our life members in attendance, allow me to introduce **Don Freer** and **Bob Mullock**. Unfortunately, **Ray Peebles**, **Frank Lento** and **Don Schmaltz** could not be with us tonight. On behalf of the membership I would like to thank these gentlemen for their continuing support for the game and BC Hockey.

We are pleased to have a number of special guests joining us this evening. I will ask that you please hold your applause until the introductions are completed. Murray Wiseman, BC Hockey Chartered Account and Auditor; Todd Jackson with Hockey Canada; Nick Mosky, BC Hockey Legal Counsel; Rob Hayeur, Sales Representative for Easton Sports in BC; Pamela Thompson, our Recording Secretary. Pamela has asked that you please, when you are going to speak, speak at the mike, identify yourself clearly and which association you are from so she can hear it, as she needs it for her minutes; it would be appreciated.

There are a number of committees within our organization that administer the various development programs that we offer.



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- **Officiating High School Hockey and Development, chaired by Wilf Liefke**
- **Coach Committee, Safety and Risk Management Committee, and Female Development Committee, chaired by Lochie Bell**
- **Minor Hockey Committee, chaired by Neil McNabb**
- **High Performance, chaired by Randy Henderson**

Also, involved with these committees are our numerous instructors, high performance evaluators, and officiating supervisors. They continue to serve us well.

We also have with us tonight a few of our program coordinators.

- **Rob Fryer, Provincial Referee-in-Chief**
- **Anne Deitch, Safety Coordinator**
- **Jim Weicker, Provincial Coaching Coordinator**

We would also like to acknowledge and thank our Program Coordinators not in attendance.

- **Male High Performance Coordinator, Russ Webber**
- **Female High Performance Branch Coordinator, Bruce Tuck**

In addition, I extend our appreciation to our Appeal Committee – **Cliff Chiu**, Chair; Committee members:

- **Wendy Stedman**
- **Mark Bakken**
- **Lawrence Kinch**
- **Donna Henderson**

Our Nominating Committee this year is comprised of:

- **Rick Boekestyn, Past President as Chair of the Committee**
 - **Bonnie Cameron, Lower Mainland District Director**
 - **Brian Harrison, Junior “B” Divisional Director.**
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I will now call on Rick to present the Committee's report.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT – RICK BOEKSTYN

Thank you. The report is as submitted in the binder.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS - SHANNON BELL

I would like to thank my Executive Committee. These individuals represent BC Hockey in the various Districts and Divisions. Hopefully, you'll get an opportunity to meet and talk to most of them this weekend. They are:

- **June McKenzie – District Director West Kootenay**
 - **Deb Turney – District Director Vancouver Island**
 - **John Gillen – District Director East Kootenay**
 - **Jim Chute – District Director Northeast BC and Yukon**
 - **Rick Alder – District Director Lower Mainland**
 - **Len Cuthbert – District Director Lower Mainland**
 - **Bonnie Cameron – District Director Lower Mainland**
 - **Rick Boekestyn – Past President**
 - **Lochie Bell – Officer at Large**
 - **Neil McNabb – Officer at Large**
 - **Randy Henderson – Officer at Large**
 - **Barry Petrachenko – Executive Director**
 - **Wilf Liefke – Vice President**
 - **Cathy Mason – North Central District Director**
 - **Darryl Lerum – Northwest District Director**
 - **Andrew Jakobeit – Okanagan District Director**
 - **John Grisdale – Junior “A” Director**
 - **Brian Harrison – Junior “B” Divisional Director**
 - **Mike Fraser – Senior Male Divisional Director - Comax**
 - **Rick Kupchuk – Senior Female Director**
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Thank you. This past season we have seen much success engrossed in the game of hockey in BC. Hockey Canada introduced six priorities which include:

- **Non-contact and contact streams**
- **Growth of sports schools**
- **Engaging and/or partnering with entrepreneurs in hockey**
- **Considering flexible seasons**
- **Increasing CIS participation**
- **Provide more opportunities for movement of players**

We are pleased to report that BC Hockey has already implemented most of the six priorities. Most Districts have moved away from body checking at the recreational level, and this weekend we will make the decision whether to continue with body checking in Peewee.

Sports schools continue to grow in BC with the addition of two new sports schools for the 12/13 season.

Entrepreneurs to provide services to hockey are now open to register with BC Hockey.

The BC IHL participation continues to expand and we hope to see the addition of new female teams from women's college leagues in the near future.

Flexible seasons is a bit of an obstacle due to the issues of ice being taken out, but we do offer spring hockey when the regular season has ended.

"Hockey Without Borders" was not a concept that the majority of branch presidents across Canada support, but we have made strides by adjusting our regulations and policies in several areas, including allowing players to form tournament teams in certain situations and also reclassification exceptions in divisions where no players from other Associations have been taken, to name a few.

Technology continues to play an important role in the game. HC technology has more capabilities than ever. E-learning has changed how our team officials are certified. Online clinics have made it easier and more convenient to qualify. This method will be expanding into all programming over the



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next couple of years. Webcasts make it possible for us to reach program volunteers no matter where they are in the province, and Twitter has become a source of information for our membership.

BC Hockey's players have had incredible success this year. Eleven in 22 players went first round at the 2012 WHL draft, all from BC, 6 of them were in the top 10. And some of you may have already heard within the last two hours, **Ricky Reinhardt** from **Hollyburn** in West Vancouver was drafted 4th in the NHL draft, and **Morgan Riley** from **Hollyburn Notre Dame** was also drafted number 5, so we're very pleased with those and we hope that more will be coming as the draft continues on throughout the weekend.

Six of our high performance female players were invited to participate with 51 other players from across Canada at Hockey Canada's Women's Under 18 Strength and Conditioning Camp. One of our young officials, Pat Smith, was named the Western Hockey League Official of the Year, and he refereed the final game at the Memorial Cup. **Kyle Murchison**, one of our young linesmen worked at the American Hockey League Calder Cup, followed by interviews with NHL officiating scouts.

As neurologists and specialists in Sport Medicine continue to focus on head injuries and concussions, we have again responded. At our last AGM, Doctor **Caroline Emery** from the University of Calgary spoke on concussions. Safety and Respect in our game will once again be the focus of this year's AGM. We will have three keynote speakers who will be addressing the topics of "Homophobia in Sport", "Respect in Sport Parents", and "Concussions." We believe these are all very relevant topics that will assist our hockey administrators and team officials manage related issues. Hockey Canada is also focused on these topics and will be looking at mandatory "Respect in Sport for Parents" across the country in probably a year from now.

As many of you may be aware, at last year's Hockey Canada AGM, a motion to conduct a review of Hockey Canada's Governance structure and board was passed. This was a timely decision in light of the legislative changes to the National "Not for Profit Corporations Act", which requires governance reform not later than October 2014. A governance review was successfully completed by Hockey Quebec a few years ago, resulting in a complete restructure of their Board. Hockey Alberta and Hockey Manitoba are in a similar process. We will be looking at our present structure as it relates to program committees and the role of the officers over the next year to identify areas where we can improve effectiveness and efficiency to ensure excellence. We are aware that there are proposed



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changes to the "Not for Profit Act" in BC that will have an impact on sports organizations within the next year or two as it relates to Executive Boards and By-laws. We will react accordingly as required.

Our Executive and Staff continue to work on your behalf to successfully provide a financially strong and service oriented organization. As my term as President comes to a close this weekend I would like to take the opportunity to thank the Membership and the BC Hockey Executive for their support over the past two years. It has been an honour and a pleasure to have been entrusted with this position.

I would now like to call on Barry to deal with the Financials and all that other good stuff.

FINANCIAL REPORT – BARRY PETRACHENO

(NOTE: There was a power-point presentation at this time.)

Thank you, Shannon, and welcome everyone to Whistler, it's great to see everyone again here at our Annual General Meeting. I'll start off with the voting procedures for the weekend. With respect to our votes we made some changes to the balloting and voting procedure in recent years, so you all have your voting cards with you and if you don't have them you need to pick them up at the registration desk. With respect to accreditation, you will require your accreditation to get into the plenary room, again, if you haven't been to the registration desk yet, please get there. And this really isn't voting, but don't forget the luncheon and banquet tickets; you will need those to get into those events over the course of the weekend. A final thing on voting, if we do go to a ballot vote, the procedure will be that you will tear off the number from your voting card that we designate for that particular vote, and our two Life Members in attendance, Mr. Mullock and Mr. Freer, will be standing up at the front table here, and you will need your voting card to validate that you actually have a vote, and you will present that to them and drop your ballot into the box. So that's the procedure we will use and get you to file through for those types of votes. We did it last year and I think it was a success, so we'll keep doing it until we find differently.

The Rules of Order Committee for the weekend will consist of our two Life Members and they will also be our Scrutineers, so we may have to press some staff into action to assist them throughout the weekend when it comes time to the elections.



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Unless there are any questions on voting, or those issues, I will move them to our Financial Report.

To start off, I'd like to thank our accounting staff of **Carla Soares, Kelly Young, and Sheetal Singla**, you did a great job this year with all the work that encompasses our accounting department and were vital in preparing our information for our auditors at the year end.

Our auditor is here, as Shannon mentioned, Murray Wiseman, and again, I'd like to acknowledge him and his work on our behalf this year.

The Financial Summary that I'll give will review several aspects of our Financial Report. These were distributed prior to the meeting. The audited statements were sent on June 8th and gave an overview of our operation. They provide you also with assurance from our auditors relative to our reporting practices. The audited statements are in your booklet as well, the proceedings booklet for the weekend.

Our Variance Report was also distributed. It provides insights into any area in our financials where our actual operations deviated from our budget estimates.

The Budget for the upcoming season was sent on two occasions, May 23rd and June 8th. The budget was approved on an interim basis by the Executive Committee in January; this is our normal process to cover the time between the fiscal year end of March 31 and the AGM. The final distribution of that document was - just a reminder, there were no changes in the second distribution.

And finally, the Operations Summary, also distributed on June 8th, and it outlines the same information as contained in our proposed budget but reformats everything, the same numbers, into different allocations to integrate operating costs specific the programs, things such as staffing and administration expenses. We think it gives a better bottom line snapshot of each program and that's why we include it for you.

Within the Audited Financial Statements, which start on page 2 of the AGM Proceedings booklet, just a couple of notes. First off, with our audit procedure this year there's a bit of an addition, in that, our Executive Committee met with the auditors prior to the distribution of the report to the membership. I'm pleased to report that that meeting went well and especially happy that our auditors had very few items to report to the Executive Committee. Those they did have were more of a follow up to past



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topics that they had covered in the previous audit. And again, a bit thank you to our accounting staff for their efforts here in getting our books in proper order.

We did have an extraordinary year this year, certainly a profitable fiscal year. I'll give a little more detail as to why that happened in the Budget Variance Report, but can note that a large portion of the profit does relate to a generous estate gift that we were not aware of, obviously, that we received. It was a private donation and the estate has asked that we not acknowledge who made the gift, so as much as we would like to do something to commemorate the generosity, unfortunately, we cannot. So I just wanted to mention that in case you thought that we were being ungrateful to our donors and certainly don't want to turn away anyone else who wants to leave us a gift down the road.

The rest of our statements are amazingly similar to our previous fiscal year. One exception, of course, is cash which is up this year, but for the most part the other aspects of the report are very similar.

There's one item to point out on Net Assets, the Interfund Transfer of \$121,331 into Internally Restrict Funds. Our Finance Committee and Executive had set a goal to set aside a general contingency fund of \$500,000, and that's like most of your associations probably strive for, a bit of a rainy day fund in order to cover any expenses that arise if something terrible happens or if some unknown situation creates a need for extra money. We budget for a break even each year, present year excluded, usually pretty tight to the vest and that was the purpose of that. It was in no way related to the unexpected donation that we received this year, it was part of a long term plan.

Our Statement of Operations for Internally Restricted Funds, I'll just give you an overview of some activity within those funds. Under the Expenses in that area under the Junior "B" Disbursements are 2011 Keystone Cup representative, we forwarded accommodation expenses on their behalf and then they were repaid, so that went through that fund. As well, the Fernie Ghostriders hosted the 2011 Cyclone Taylor Cup, our branch championship at Junior "B" and the BC Hockey representative costs were offset by the Junior "B" reserve to the amount of \$1400. Senior Disbursements included the payout to the Fort St. John Flyers who hosted the Savage Cup in 2011, and again, the BC Hockey representative costs were offset by the Senior reserve.

Other than that, I hope you've had an opportunity to review the rest of the audit statements and I can address any questions on those statements at the conclusion of this report.



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Going on to the Variance Report, this is not in the proceedings booklet, it was sent, as I mentioned, via email to the membership. It focuses on the revenue expense portions of our statements with explanations provided for all significant variances to our budget. We provided the rationale for those variances in detail in that report, so I'll only cover a few areas tonight rather than go through the whole report.

First, with the AGM, revenue and expense were both under budget due to a lower than anticipated attendance last year in Penticton. Certainly, the move to late June has definitely had an impact on this event, on the cost of hosting it, on the availability of hotel rooms and hotel room deals, and therefore, it's difficult for us to tell if there's actually less interest in the event from our members or the low attendance is due to a combination of factors.

The overall event last was just under \$15,000, but on the plus side, attendance is up this year. We have picked an earlier date next year in early June, hoping to miss the graduation time period, and of course, Fathers Day, and we're trying out a new venue that we believe will work really well for our membership, both from the standpoint of location and our ability to sort of have the run of the place up at Sun Peaks, and we'll give it a try and see if those combinations continue to build on the momentum from this year's event.

So onto the Net Income position, and I'll just go over the contributing factors to that. The main reasons for our excess of revenue over expense of just over \$1M, first off, we were under budget in a number of areas within our budget.

Community travel and meetings, we worked hard at this over the past few years and we're now seeing the results of adjustments that have been made here.

Office supplies were down, again, a longer term effort, but we're starting to see the benefit, I guess, of technology, less mail, paper and stationary, those types of things.

Programming, most areas were under budget for a variety of reasons, and those items combined added up to just over \$300,000 of us being to the good on our financial statements. Another factor was conservative budgeting for grants, for a number of reasons. We tend to be conservative in our budgeting anyway but uncertainty with respect to government funding and then subsequently the



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government actually giving us more money than we anticipated let to a positive variance for us of just over \$80,000.

We also had a windfall of found money; I mentioned the estate gift already, and Hockey Canada was good to us this year. The Hockey Canada Branch Support Pillar garnered us \$25,000, and that helped to offset our AGM loss, and the remainder has been designated to our new Scholarship and Assistance Fund.

Membership fees also was a positive variance for a couple of reasons. Membership actually went up this year, so congratulations to everyone in the membership. We're actually growing and I can tell you that we are one of the few branches in Canada that has experienced a growth this year, so we're doing something right there. That, combined with the fact that, as I said, our conservative budgeting has always included a – we don't want to over budget the number of members we're going to have, and we had gone with a line item of 54,000 in last year's budget. That turned out to be 5000 lower than what actually came in, and because of our history over the last couple of years, the next year's budget we've budgeted for 58,000 members, so still conservative with respect to this year's actuals but certainly closer to where we think we will be, all things considered at the local level with respect to the registration of participants.

With respects to Grants received, they break out in four main areas. They're allocated as gifts. That includes the estate donation, grants and awards which covers miscellaneous items that we applied for and received throughout the year. Some of those are expected, some are not.

Gaming, is the community gaming grant previously called "Direct Access Funding."

The Province of BC, this used to be our quarter government grant funding. It now includes a number of items that used to be separate or come in piecemeal. They include Sport on the Move, Athlete Assistance Program, Canada Winter Games funding, Sport Legacy funding, and those types of things.

With grants and due to the timing of our budget approvals in the fiscal year and our budgeting timeframe, it's difficult to anticipate the amounts that will be carried forward into the next fiscal; that can lead to the types of variances that we see here. For example, we received \$25,000 from the Hockey Canada Branch Support Filler for the first time and that was posted to Grants and Awards



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contributing to that variance. \$110,000 was received for gaming but a portion from last fiscal was used for April 2012 High Performance events, so that revenue is recognized in this fiscal. So as I said, there always seems to be a level of uncertainty there at the time of budget prep, especially with respect to how much we're going to get from the government. We have been fortunate, as I've mentioned, and we certainly hope the government funding that we saw and realized this year will continue into subsequent years.

So with respect to the Surplus Funds, the Executive Committee has addressed the allocation with some of it, with respect specifically to the estate funding. Capital upgrades are necessary. We have an office now that's 17 years old and it seemed brand new just yesterday I bet, Don, but with it being 17 years old there are some kind of tender loving care things that have to be done there. Our computer systems, we can take advantage of this opportunity to do some upgrades that were planned over time but can be speeded up a bit, and that includes new servers, software licences, operating system upgrades.

Recreational team registration, government funding makes it a requirement that we have our coaches at the recreational level certified by 2014, and so we're able to bring on some temporary staff to help us meeting those requirements and take a look at how that process would work and how it can work.

The newly created Scholarship and Assistance Fund, which is set up to better serve our scholarship payouts each year and also to provide an opportunity for our participants to apply for assistance where there are situations of need, that was earmarked for funds by the Executive Committee. There is a resolution later this evening to dissolve the Scholarship and Reserve Fund, transfer the capital into the newly created Scholarship and Assistance Fund, and the guidelines are being developed that will alleviate the restrictions that are there with the current Scholarship Fund. We'll talk more about that in the Resolutions if there's questions on that, but we can provide the background with respect to detail as to why the current Scholarship Fund was really not effective.

(NOTE: Unidentified voices not at microphones. It was suggested that the background be provided at this time.)

BARRY PETRACHENKO



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I'm not exactly prepared for it, but I'll wing it as best I can. On the Resolution, we provided background, and with respect to the Scholarship Fund, our problem was that the current Scholarship Fund doesn't effectively do what it was set up to do. It was set up to have an amount of money in it and to pay out scholarships from the interest earned off that money. We don't have enough money in that fund to ensure enough interest will be made, especially at today's interest rates, and the problem that that creates is two-fold. First, we'd have to put too much money – we'd almost have to put as much money as we have in our Contingency Fund into a Scholarship Fund, and that Scholarship Fund could only be used for scholarships, it couldn't be used for assistances, I point out, is the goal of the Executive Committee to have an opportunity for our participants to access some funding if they are in need and meet of a certain criteria. So it was deemed to be better by the Executive Committee to move to a situation where we created the assistance option, but also we're not bound by the current by-law which requires that you only pay out the scholarships from the interest on the Scholarship Fund. So the benefit that we see there also includes the fact that the way the Scholarship Fund was set up in the past, we had to budget for the scholarships that we paid out. That limited us from adding scholarships because it came out of our Operating Budget and it also meant that we had to budget for that every year. By setting up the fund this way, enough money will be in the fund to pay those scholarships out of it, there's no restriction on just paying from the interest, and the Executive Committee can manage the responsibility of having enough money in that fund in order to cover those expenses. So hopefully I got all the points there, and certainly we'll have time to address anything that I may have overlooked or not covered when we go through that at Resolution time.

So back to Surplus Funds, with respect to that plan the final item in dealing with that surplus is the fact that the 25 cent membership fee increase which was endorsed by the membership years ago as just an annual thing rather than having a large increase every 5 years or so, that increase will be absorbed by the surplus income from last year, so in effect, it's a year off from that, so there will be no motion coming forward this year for a membership increase. And that increase is shown in the budget, but that will be subsidized by the surplus.

With all of that, these items were identified as priorities by the Executive Committee but there are still funds to be allocated, and leaves us in a strong financial position, certainly, and an enviable one. We still have some decisions to make with any remaining funds that are available because of that and that analysis will take place over the next 6 to 10 months, but you know, we were very fortunate to



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have that situation arise this year and I think we've addressed some good initiatives moving forward as a result of it.

That leads us to our Proposed Budget. This was distributed, as I mentioned. Again, the 25 cent increase is in there, but as I just mentioned, it won't be charged to the membership, and so that adjustment will be made, but there's no need to make that adjustment in the budget consideration.

The Operations Summary, this was sent to the membership also in the package and the purpose was explained earlier, so I'll just give a brief overview of it as we go through. In the Administration section, Grants listed relate to the Hockey Canada Legacy Trust Fund and Provincial Government funding, mostly an in/out. And just a note, that currently the bulk of our membership fees are allocated to cover administrative items.

We do allocate 20% of our membership fees to Membership services. As noted earlier, the cost of the AGM is an ongoing concern for us, since it's not really a profit centre for the organization, so we'll continue to monitor that.

I think it's important to point out that the \$8000 of profit in the area of Junior registration really results from an Associate Membership fee, or Associate Member contributions. There's really no registration offsetting work to that money that we bring in there, and so that leaves that positive variance there, but it would actually show without those contributions that area would show a loss.

Revenue and Registration – Minor, is team and player card funds. These funds are also allocated to our Minor Hockey Championship expenses.

Junior listing there includes Team and Card Fees, plus Transfers, and as I said, the Associate Membership Fee.

Finally, the most useful portion of the report most likely is the Programs area. This is an area that's been misunderstood in past financial reports. The format of the audited statements and the account layout within it can indicate a bit of a skewed profit loss in various programs, but this summary shows the true costs of our programs. We worked hard, very hard actually, to get to this point in our programming, and you know, as I noted, we receive a relatively small amount of government funding



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for programming, but we do utilize it when we get it for things like coaching and Minor Rec, where we know it affects all Associations and it serves to keep costs down as much as possible.

So that concludes the Financial Report. I can attempt to address any questions, if you have them, on this information.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

(NOTE: At this point the floor was opened up to questions regarding the Financial Statements. The membership was asked to speak at the microphones and identify themselves. Speakers did not go to the microphones.)

QUESTION – DAVE SOLTES: (Inaudible due to the fact he asked the question from the floor and was not at a microphone, so it was not picked up.)

ANSWER – BARRY PETRACHENKO: I can't answer that question right now because I don't know; it's possible. The insurance rate is under negotiation and the move to – insurance rates, I'm not an expert, but they are based on claims experience, those types of things. You would think that the claims experience will get better as we have less contact; I'm assuming that, I don't know that, and when they do, it will have an effect. There may be a big of a lag time because of our business and the signing of the insurance contracts by Hockey Canada, but I would anticipate that it could have an effect. The insurance rate will also be affected by other factors though in the world, and so I don't know if that would offset any gain that we get from that move, but I'm sure it will be a consideration as most of the country moves away from body checking at the House League level, which of course, is the majority of our members.

QUESTION – JEREMY WEBB – SURREY PARK MINOR HOCKEY: (Inaudible due to the fact he asked the question from the floor and was not at a microphone, so it was not picked up completely.)

I'm not an expert on the financial side at all. I just have a question with regards to property and equipment, website development, \$269,000, it just seems a substantial sum?

ANSWER – BARRY PETRACHENKO: It is a substantial sum, and the development of our website is extensive. A lot of what we develop on that site is actually not your normal website type of



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development, it's not strictly an informational site. That development also includes integration with the HCR and things, or situations that we're trying to develop for e-learning and registration for clinics, those sorts of things. So that is the true cost of the development we do, and again, our website is targeted at improving the administration of our organization. As I mentioned earlier in the report, we have seen, because of the website that contributed a bit to us being under budget in other areas, including administrative costs, such as paper and mail and that sort of thing. Okay, Shannon, I think that's it.

SHANNON BELL

The information on the Credentials Committee is being circulated. For the record, the Credential Committee for the AGM consists of **June McKenzie, West Kootenay District Director as Chair; Deb Turney, Vancouver Island District Director, and Len Cuthbert, Lower Mainland District Director.**

REPORT ON CREDENTIALS – JUNE MCKENZIE

Minor Association	60
Minor Leagues and Teams	317
Junior "A"	0
Junior "B"	3
Junior Female	0
Senior Female "AAA" "AA" "A" Recreational	1
Senior Male "AAA" "AA" "A" "C" Recreational	0
Officers, Executives, Life Members	21
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PRESIDENT SHANNON BELL

We'll now go over the business items requiring your approval. If you have any questions as we proceed, I would ask you to again go to the microphone, identify your name and association, teams,



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or league so that our Recording Secretary can make sure it is in the minutes. So could I have a mover and a seconder to adopt to adopt the Report of the Credentials Committee?

MOTION – ADOPT REPORT OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

MOVER – JIM HUMPHREY – VANCOUVER ISLAND

SECONDER – DAVE BEATTY – NANAIMO

MOTION CARRIED

We need an adoption of Minutes from the 92nd AGM. The minutes from the 92nd AGM have been circulated, so if I could have a mover and a seconder to Adopt the Minutes of the 92nd Annual General Meeting of BC Hockey held in Penticton in 2011.

**MOTION – ADOPT MINUTES OF 92nd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF
BC HOCKEY – PENTICTON, B.C., 2011**

MOVER – LEN CUTHBERT - BC HOCKEY

SECONDER – TROY THEODORE - ALDERGROVE

MOTION CARRIED

And I would ask for a mover and a seconder to approve the 2011/2012 Audited Statements. Do I have one, a mover and a seconder, please?

MOTION – TO APPROVE THE 2011/2012 AUDITED STATEMENT

MOVER – CHUCK CAMPBELL – NEW WESTMINSTER

SECONDER – DAVE BUCK – PACIFIC COAST

MOTION CARRIED

And could I have a mover and a seconder for the adoption of the Executive Committee Reports?

MOTION – TO ADOPT THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS

MOVER – JIM HUMPHREY – VANCOUVER ISLAND

SECONDER – VANNA ACHTEM – PACIFIC COAST

MOTION CARRIED



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And can I have someone make a motion to move the Adoption of the BC Hockey Budget for 2012/2013, as circulated and proposed by the Finance Committee?

MOTION – TO ADOPT BC HOCKEY BUDGET 2012/2013

MOVER – CHUCK CAMPBELL – NEW WESTMINSTER

SECONDER – DAVE BUCK – PACIFIC COAST

MOTION CARRIED

And for our final Executive Resolution, I need someone to move and second the Executive Committee Activities for 2011/2012 be ratified?

MOTION – RATIFICATION OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES FOR 2011/2012

MOVER – DAN MELANSON – BURNABY WINTER CLUB

SECONDER – VANNA ACHTEM – PACIFIC COAST

MOTION CARRIED

And I'll now ask Wilf to come forward and deal with the Resolutions.

RESOLUTIONS – WILF LIEFKE

Thank you, Shannon. We'll begin, to expedite the Resolutions, if I could ask for a mover and seconder to have the Resolutions out onto the floor, for all of them.

MOTION – TO PUT RESOLUTIONS OUT ON THE FLOOR

MOVER – JIM HUMPREY – VANCOUVER ISLAND

SECONDER – BONNIE CAMERON – BC HOCKEY

So we'll start with **Resolution 2012-01. Bylaw 3, paragraph 305.**

The rationale here is Bylaw 306 is being merged into the note of Bylaw 305; in essence, just housekeeping. What I'll do is I'll indicate how the Executive Committee voted at Resolutions and the Executive Committee carried this. Jim Humphrey, Vancouver Island.

DISCUSSION



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JIM HUMPHREY – Vancouver Island

Sorry, Vancouver Island had the pleasure to chair the District Presidents meeting today and I guess this is one of the things that comes out of this is having Resolutions so early. We're not able to talk to our own members of own districts, and especially, after you and I spoke a little bit, Wilf, we're not able to talk to the District Presidents. The District Presidents today asked and have requested tabling of a series of Resolutions, but I'm not sure how you want to address that and I'm not sure how my peers in the other districts want to address that. I had very clear direction from the other 7 District Presidents today to put a motion on the floor to table. There's 5 Resolutions, however, after speaking with you, Wilf, I'm not sure maybe if we go through these kind of one at a time and when it comes to one of the tabling ones, if – I'm not sure how we're going to address that because it's going to be difficult.

WILF LIEFKE

I think, yeah, if we do them as we come to them, Jim, and what I'd remind the membership is, is that what I'll do, if there's an indication that you want to table, is I'll ask for a mover and a seconder for the tabling. Once that has been done, there's no discussion on the tabling of the motion and we simply go to a vote. So if there's anything that you need sort of clarification on before that maybe we could do that just to clarify things.

JIM HUMPHREY

Okay. I hope that's agreeable. I guess, if nothing else, maybe in future AGM's we don't do these things on a Friday night, 'cause it's just too difficult.

The question on this particular one, though, under the "*Proposed Changes*", it's crossed out, "*Membership*." Does that mean that there can – there's never going to be an opportunity to have another Major Senior Men's "AAA" if we don't have an opportunity for them to apply for membership. It doesn't seem that – this one now only will deal with relocation, not new members, and we couldn't find anywhere else where a Senior "AAA" team is allowed to become a member, other than what we're trying to – we're proposing to strike out tonight.

WILF LIEFKE



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I think 305 deals specifically with relocation.

JIM HUMPHREY

But it used to only – that’s the only one that used to be for membership. We couldn’t find anywhere else where it stipulates how a Senior Male team can become a member, because now if we take it out there’s no place else where they’re allowed to be members, or how it explains for them to be members so we were just wanting some clarification whether “*Membership*” should actually stay in there.

MIKE FRASER

Well we never had that situation. I mean, number one, Senior Hockey is not the most lively thing going in the province right now, however, as far as membership goes, any team that’s relocating or starting up a new team, there’s no problem. When it happens, through the membership is – it will be okay, but as a Executive members we – we would be allowing it but they have to go through the same procedure, only with the – including all Senior teams instead of just the Senior “AAA”, which is what it’s been in the past, it’s been the one category, now it’s all together, and it’s endorsed by the Senior teams that are involved.

JIM HUMPHREY

So before we vote can we confirm with the Executive Director, perhaps maybe, that there’s some place else in the by-laws that allow a Senior Male team to become a member if they so desire?

BARRY PETRACHENKO

I think that this got confused when it came from Senior Committee because of part of their intent here. Part of their intent, and Mike, correct me if I’m wrong, but I recall Senior Committee wanted to have a requirement that all “AAA” teams must be a season of “AA” before becoming “AAA”...

MIKE FRASER



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Right.

BARRY PETRACHENKO

...so they wanted the teams to prove that they were “AAA” worthy, I guess, and that was a component of it as they were developing it. I’m just looking at it quickly and that may have been lost in the printing here, but we can clarify that, and I would suggest that we should, and then we would have to deal with whether or not we can amend it to make it read the way that it should, or whether we would have to table it to a later date. So I would suggest it would be a good idea to table this until such time as we can confirm what the wording was supposed to be that would encompass the membership aspect of the two by-laws that were being merged.

MIKE FRASER

Well what’s happened, Jim, is that 306 – 305 has been merged with 306 forming just the one.

BARRY PETRACHENKO

Yeah, they’ve been merged into one spike, but the problem is, is that it was because of your intent that you wanted to have “AAA” teams only become “AAA” teams after being a “AA” team. So that’s why the membership application was struck from this wording, but it looks to me; we’ll look back in our files here, but it looks to me like a sentence or some sort of wording regarding the limitation on “AAA” teams only becoming members after being “AA” team was not included in what’s in the booklet here. So we’ll go back over our files, and we’ll try to do that this evening while we’re in this Resolution session, so I would suggest that what would be in order would be a motion to table until clarification is provided and then we can provide that clarification as soon as we have it.

JIM HUMPHREY

Okay, well I would make that motion, but just to let you know, that wasn’t one of the ones that we talked about tabling, okay, so I’ve got more here. So I would make – I would make that motion, Wilf, that we table this one until the end of Resolutions are – until further clarification.



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CHUCK CAMPBELL

I second the motion.

WILF LIEFKE

Chuck Campbell. All in favour? Opposed? Motion to table is carried.

RESOLUTION 2012-01 – MOTION TO TABLE FOR FURTHER CLARIFICATION ON WORDING

MOVER – JIM HUMPHREY

SECONDER – CHUCK CAMPBELL

MOTION CARRIED

WILF LIEFKE

Resolution 2012-02 – Bylaw 5, paragraph 501.

I can't hear you, Brian.

BRIAN HARRISON

I would like to withdraw the motion at this particular time. We've had a chance to review this with the three leagues and the motion is a bit premature, so we'd like to withdraw it at this time.

WILF LIEFKE

Resolution 2012-02 is withdrawn.

MOTION – RESOLUTION 2012-02

WITHDRAWN (AS PER BRIAN HARRISON – EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE)

WILF LIEFKE



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Resolution 2012-03, Bylaw 5, paragraph 503. Barry spoke to that earlier. It's the dissolution of the Scholarship Fund. There's a addendum in the back of the Resolutions which clarifies it.

DISCUSSION

JIM HUMPHREY

I'm sorry, Wilf, this is one I'd like to comment on. Barry's explanation was very good but maybe just as a question. The moving of the money from the Scholarship Reserve Fund, it will move into this new Scholarship and Assistance Fund, and can somebody assure the membership that that \$36,800 that we're wanting to move, it's only going to be used for scholarships or assistance, it's not going into, you know, I don't know, Randy Henderson's lake fund?

BARRY PETRACHENKO

I can confirm that, Jim, as the intent. That was outlined in the appendix to the Resolutions in that memo that was sent April 27th to the Membership, and it contains that, that that transfer would go into that fund and that funds purpose is to pay out scholarships and assistance cases.

JIM HUMPHREY

Okay. Well I wouldn't – I'm asking that my peers support me, not putting forward the motion to table it. If one of them want to do it, that's fine, but I won't at this time, because of the explanation.

CHUCK CAMPBELL

Yeah, I would, first, support the motion, but I'd like just if you would indulge my curiosity for one issue only. In your report, Barry, you stated that the balance of the fund at the moment is about \$39,000. You also stated that the interest income of the fund currently is between \$300 and \$400, which is somewhere around 1%. It seems to me that even in the current markets that's a remarkably low rate of return. I just wanted to get a comment on that.

BARRY PETRACHENKO



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There is an opportunity for a slightly higher rate. We did, through Sport BC this year, we were able to take advantage of a program that they had in place with our bank so it worked out well. It was a partnership that they struck to get a slightly higher rate. When we took this to the Executive Committee, we did base – we were optimistic about the comparisons on interest and we used the higher rate in our examples to the Executive Committee for their consideration. But even at a higher rate, even if went you know as high as 3 to 5% it still wouldn't – the amount we'd have to have in the fund to generate enough interest to pay the scholarships that we pay out, we just can't get there, or it would be too high of an amount.

CHUCK CAMPBELL

I completely understand the rationale for the motion and I urge its support. Thank you.

WILF LIEFKE

Thank you, Chuck. Further discussion?

TROY THEODORE – ALDERGROVE MINOR HOCKEY

I just have a curiosity question, like Chuck. The assistance in this package, do you care to explain exactly what that means? Like, is it assistance for whom and for what, and for what amount, and who decides that amount?

BARRY PETRACHENKO

It's assistance for participants, members of your organizations that participate in BC Hockey Programming – High Performance Programming, Leagues, Clinics, and the Executive Committee has endorsed the policy for the criteria for application and consideration. That will be developed further once these motions are dealt with. If they're dealt with positively, then we'll circulate that criteria to the Membership and we'll have further information as to the how's, as far as access and the process for it. But the intent is, any programs that we run, if there is a financial hardship out there and we can provide assistance for it through the fund, that's what will be eligible.



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WILF LIEFKE

Any further discussion? Hearing none, all those in favour? Opposed? Carried.

MOTION – RESOLUTION 2012-03

MOVER – NO ONE IDENTIFIED

SECONDER – NO ONE IDENTIFIED

MOTION CARRIED

WILF LIEFKE

Resolution 2012-04 – Bylaw 6, paragraph 609. The rationale for this resolution is to allow the President to deal with a suspension should he or she not receive the results of an investigation within the timeframes outlined by the Bylaw. This will prevent any further delay and an affect a participant on there.

DISCUSSION

JIM HUMPHREY

Okay, this was another one that District Presidents were discussing a bit for tabling but I'm not going to put that motion right now. But one of the things that came out of our discussion is the current wording says that the – you know, if the President feels the suspension more 60 days is warranted, they impose an indefinite suspension, and then,

“Investigation will be initiated within 14 days”; it doesn't say it has to be completed within 14 days, it says, *“Initiated”*, and sometimes it was felt, at least by our group, that when the President of BC Hockey feels that more than 60 days is warranted, a lot of times those investigations, they're not going to get done in 14 days, especially if the President doesn't get wind of them till about day two or three, and some people are – you know, it's hard to get in all of the reports, all of the investigation results. We already have a method the person, or the bad person is already suspended indefinitely and if it takes 18 days, 19 days to get the investigation done, if we go forward and put something like this in place and we have an overzealous President, not that we'd ever have one of them, but if we have one then it could be that there couldn't be a lot of appeals, especially if it doesn't get – the investigation is



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done two or three days after the 14th day and it lends to something different, the decision has been made. So there's already a fair bit of suspension powers to the President of BC Hockey, that they can suspend up to 60 days without an investigation and if they want more then, or they feel more then, they suspend indefinitely. The person suspended, they can get the investigation. I don't really see the rationale to have it started and completed within 14 days, and as a person that's done lots of those investigations for BC Hockey, 14 days sometimes is just not enough.

SHANNON BELL

Jim, this came about because of, frankly, an incident that took place in the Lower Mainland. A player had been suspended and the Referee's Report didn't come in. You know very well we can't begin an investigation till we get the Referee's Report. The referee did not cooperate with the investigation. The managing director from Pacific Coast, and Vanna can attest to this because she contacted me about it, the referee did not submit his report. He was chased down. We got our Referee-in-Chief involved in it. He never did get his report in. That player sat for 3 weeks, 3 full weeks before anything had been done with it. I put him back on the ice because we had no information, that is, frankly, unacceptable. So our processes right now are, the investigation is to be started within 14 days of the infraction. We look to having those suspensions, not necessarily completed, because sometimes you have to talk to a lot of people in order to get the suspension dealt with, but the player, if it's serious enough in nature and we know it's going to exceed 14 days, the time sat will be deducted from their suspension.

JIM HUMPHREY

Well, with all due respect, Shannon, that's not what this Resolution says. This Resolution says that the investigation will be done in 14 days or the President will levy disciplinary action. I understand what you're coming from that they initiate it within 14 days, I 100% support but that's not what this Resolution say.

WILF LIEFKE

It says, "*Shall have the authority to impose the suspension*", so I think that gives some discretion in there. I disagree a little bit, in that, a serious penalty, a match penalty, the write up is supposed to be forwarded within 24 hours of the next business day. So I think 14 days is ample time to get a report in



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and if there's not, then I think there's some discretion in the wording here where the President has to impose it or not. But in some of the leagues, 14 days is 6 games or more, and that's what we're running into, is that we're having players sit, and in some cases, the penalty, the serious penalty isn't substantiated.

BARRY PETRACHENKO

Jim, just to your point on wording, I understand what you're saying, is Shannon's point was that it was intended to do nothing, to make a decision that the player can return, and the wording that was chosen there, I believe, *"Impose disciplinary measures and/or sanctions as the President may deem appropriate"*, was intended to leave open the option for the President to deem nothing to be appropriate, and that was the intent here. It wasn't the intent to give the President additional suspension powers, and so, you know, if you want to look at that wording and you don't – and you're not happy with the intent of it and want to amend that, it would be within the scope of the intent of the motion, so you could bring forward an amendment that you felt better about in the wording, but I think it is important to note the real intent here was to give the President the opportunity to rule out a suspension or cancel out a suspension if there was an undue delay, not to give them additional suspension powers.

JIM HUMPHREY

Okay, that makes sense to me, but I think, with all due respect, the initiated part already gives the President, if the referee, in this particular case that was cited, if the referee doesn't submit the game report, after 14 days the President says the suspension is over, that's the way that our current system already is, and so with that explanation I do think that there needs to be some amendment to this, Barry, but I don't right off the top of – ever since Pacific Coast quit bringing Andrew, we can't get these spur of the moment jump shot ones. So, I would make a Motion to table it and I will put forward an amendment after talking to my peers on what's comfortable, if that's okay, Wilf.

WILF LIEFKE

Is there a second to the tabled – to table the motion?

CHUCK CAMPBELL



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I'd like to second the motion, but I'd just make one point for whoever is going to redraft this. I think we're all in sympathy with what's intended, but it doesn't make any sense to me at all, and I think this is what Jim is saying. To on the one hand say, "*the investigation will be initiated within 14 days*", on the other hand say, "*if the investigation report hasn't been received within 14 days there will be a consequence*", clearly, there has to be some period between the initiation of the investigation and the receipt of the report before an action can be taken. So all I – I'd second the motion to table this until someone comes up with the wording that reflects this. It doesn't have to be an additional 14 days but I think there does have to be some time specified in the motion.

BARRY PETRACHENKO

Before you second that motion, could I suggest the wording to you?

CHUCK CAMPBELL

Sure, yeah.

BARRY PETRACHENKO

The wording could be – I'm looking at the bolded part.

“And in the event that the investigation has not been received by the President within 14 days of the incident, the President shall have the authority to determine whether there has been a violation or breach of the Rules and Regulations and may determine that no disciplinary measures and/or sanction are appropriate.”

CHUCK CAMPBELL

That doesn't deal with the issue that – that – "*investigation is initiated within 14 days*", and then the timeline for the receipt of the investigation report is still the same 14 days. So if the President initiated the investigation on the 14th day, the President would certainly not have the report back on that day,



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and I think that is the problem that has to be dealt with in the wording as well. In any case, there is a Motion to Table.

BARRY PETRACHENKO

You could address that portion of it by changing the words to, “*within 14 days of...*”

UNIDENTIFIED MALE

(Inaudible – spoke from the floor, not near a microphone.)

WILF LIEFKE

Chuck Campbell seconded the motion. All those in favour? Opposed? Carried, to table the motion.

RESOLUTION 2012-04 – MOTION TO TABLE TO SUNDAY MORNING PLENARY

MOVER – JIM HUMPHREY

SECONDER – CHUCK CAMPBELL

MOTION CARRIED

WILF LIEFKE

Resolution 2012-05, Bylaw 7, paragraph 753. This change reflects what currently is in practice with Junior Committee.

DISCUSSION

JIM HUMPHREY

Just a question? Just explain the expense then of, if the Junior Committee, they don't meet at the semi-annual or the annual, then when have they been meeting? Many people don't know that. When have they been meeting thus far, and if there's going to be an added expense for the Membership for this change?



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WILF LIEFKE

It's not likely there would be an added expense, because with Junior Committee typically they meet less often than other committees. When have they typically been meeting? They have met at the semi-annual. They definitely don't meet at the annual meeting due to conflicting schedules, and we have had - have just had conference calls during the year, so I don't foresee any added costs.

JIM HUMPHREY

Thank you.

WILF LIEFKE

Any other discussion? Hearing none, all those in favour of the motion? Opposed? Carried.

RESOLUTION 2012-05

MOVER – NONE IDENTIFIED

SECONDER – NONE IDENTIFIED

MOTION CARRIED

WILF LIEFKE

Resolution 2012-06, Bylaw 9, paragraph 900. The rationale here is, basically what we're doing is grouping all like items under one bylaw. So anything to do with the AGM voting, voting expenses, etcetera, now come under one area in our book and we think it just clarifies that. So the 3 pages that you see here – 4 pages, deal with that. Any discussion? All those in favour? Opposed? Carried.

RESOLUTION 2012-06

MOVER – NONE IDENTIFIED

SECONDER – NONE IDENTIFIED

MOTION CARRIED



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WILF LIEFKE

Resolution 2012-07, Regulation 1:03. The rationale provided here, more opportunities for development for players to play at a higher level helps smaller Associations to remain competitive, even though they may have a considerably smaller talent pool of players to field teams from. This was defeated at the Executive Committee.

DISCUSSION

CHUCK BULMER – NORTH OKANAGAN MINOR HOCKEY

Unfortunately, Bill Greene, who brought this forward is late getting to the meeting today, so I'll speak in favour of this motion. It's been – it's been here before last year. There's a slight adjustment this year, the number has been raised from 175 to 190. And just to note, that we feel that the problem that this motion would address is still present in our – in our District, and for the opportunity for more players to play rep hockey and to balance the playing field with smaller Associations that are competing with large ones, we feel this motion should be accepted. Thank you.

WILF LIEFKE

Any further discussion? Hearing none, all in favour? We're going to have to count here? Opposed?
Motion is defeated.

RESOLUTION 2012-07

MOVER – NONE IDENTIFIED

SECONDER – NONE IDENTIFIED

MOTION DEFEATED

WILF LIEFKE

Resolution 2012-08, Regulation 1:05. This was carried by the Executive Committee, and basically, the rationale for this Resolution is, is that if you're an Association and you take players, accept players, registered players from an adjacent Association and you re-categorize because of it, is that then you should have access to affiliate players from that Association because you've been re-categorized, as per Hockey Canada Reg. E. Jim Humphrey?



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DISCUSSION

JIM HUMPHREY

Sorry, Wilf, 8 and 12 are similar. There was some confusion – well no, District Presidents are never confused. There was some discussion today for regard of the exception, so as a small – I don't know, we'll pick on West Kootenays, or the Northwest. So smaller Districts where two Associations go together because they can't card, and even when they count up their numbers together they still don't reach the next tier number, so they put in a request to BC Hockey for an exemption, as I understand, and to ask to remain at tier 2, or tier 3, and BC Hockey gives them that exemption, then under this current wording, even though their numbers aren't above what we've set for tier 2, tier 3, or tier 1, they would still not be able to use the players, as opposed to when Campbell River takes one player from Gold River at Midget and they apply to BC Hockey for an exemption at Bantam and Peewee to remain as tier 2, that because they were given an exemption at tier for Bantam and Peewee they wouldn't be allowed to use any other Gold River players on their Midget tier 1 team, per se and just because they got an exception. So that's kind of confusing. We're bumping them up into another category. Some of their teams didn't take any players. We gave exemption to those players, or those one team or two teams, but now they've lost access to the players, where the reason why they got bumped up to the higher category to start with all because of an exemption, so it doesn't give any breaks to that.

BARRY PETRACHENKO

Jim, I apologize, I'm not sure I followed the examples and I lost it there, so I apologize for that. I think the way to simplify this is to take it back to boundaries and draw zones, and basically what it says is, our current tiering is done based on registration. So if you take a player from an adjacent Association and now take on those numbers, effectively your boundary has changed to include that Association because you've taken on all the numbers. So in that case you would then, because your boundary has been expanded by taking on that player, you can affiliate players from there. Now the exemption creates a situation where you are not bumped up. And yes, you do have situations where your Midgets and Peeweeps are granted an exemption, and I suppose that might happen in situations where the Bantam team did take a player and got bumped up and didn't apply for an exemption. I've never seen that happen, but it could happen. But bottom line is, if you get an exemption, what the Executive Committee is saying is, you haven't taken on those numbers, you aren't bumped up to an Association,



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your draw zone really hasn't changed to include that area, and therefore, you cannot affiliate from those areas. It solves a lot of problems, trust me, when you go the other way, if you try to make adjustments to allow it in certain cases and not in others. This is the most simple way to word it in order to achieve the goal, and the goal was, to create a situation where if you take players from an Association and take on their numbers, because of taking on those numbers you have access to affiliate players from that Association. And it wasn't just a numbers thing, it was also a development thing that the Executive felt that this change would open the door for players who didn't get taken but are from that Association to be used as an affiliate throughout the year and get exposure to that level of hockey.

JIM HUMPHREY

Okay. So can you clarify then, so two Associations they take on one player and they take on that whole Association number, I understand that, but what happens when they take on that whole Association's numbers and they still don't reach – they're still 50 under the next tier level? You don't bump them from tier 3 to tier 2 just because they took on the number, they got to have tier 2 numbers, do they not?

BARRY PETRACHENKO

No, they can affiliate. If you take a player....

JIM HUMPHREY

No, no, I'm talking about moving them up. When you take a number you move up one tier.

BARRY PETRACHENKO

Okay.

JIM HUMPHREY



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And so you take on a triple – or a tier 3 Association takes a player from, I don't know, the next – let's use – Island I'm familiar. Well, let's just use Cowichan Valley, and they take on one player from Lake Cowichan, but even the whole registration of Lake Cowichan at Peewee, Bantam, and Midget doesn't bring Cowichan Valley to the tier 1 levels, we don't bump them to tier 1, do we? We ask – they got to ask for an exemption to say, our numbers aren't above whatever tier 1 is these days, and BC Hockey then can grant them exemption to stay at tier 2 at that level, correct?

BARRY PETRACHENKO

No, as soon as they take a player they're not bumped. They're only bumped if their numbers push them above.

JIM HUMPHREY

Yeah, that's what I said.

BARRY PETRACHENKO

But if they take those players their draw zone does include that Association, their draw zone is increased, their numbers are increased and they can affiliate those players.

JIM HUMPHREY

But you have to give them an exemption to stay at the bottom level.

BARRY PETRACHENKO

No, they don't need an exemption if – they only need an exemption if we bump them up. The exemption is only if they've bumped up automatically by numbers.

JIM HUMPHREY

Okay. So then that answers that, thank you. So now let's go back to the other one where they take one Midget, Campbell River takes one Midget hockey player from Gold River, and they take no



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Bantams, no Peewees. It doesn't seem right that they can't use any affiliate players at the Midget age category out of Gold River because that's the only reason that they got the tier 1 to start with. And so they ask for an exemption to keep their Bantam team and Pee wee team at tier 2, but this Resolution says they can't use any of those other players from Gold River unless they actually take them and card them, they can't use them as affiliate players at the Midget level.

BARRY PETRACHENKO

That's absolutely correct, and the reason that it's worded that way is, is because if you tried to word it, and we did, tried to word it in a way that said, if a team takes one player and they get an exemption, but that's not – I'm not be facetious.

JIM HUMPHREY

No, that's right.

BARRY PETRACHENKO

But it just very worry and very difficult to determine. Basically, the premise was, yes, in that case that may create a situation where that Association can't affiliate players, but they can't currently affiliate them now at their lower tier, and if you give them an exemption to stay at that lower tier, it really doesn't change all that much. So it was deemed more appropriate to word it this way and simplify it by saying as soon as an exemption is granted there's no discretion, we're not going to look at numbers and "what ifs", and all of those types of things, we're just going to say simply, if you get an exemption then you can't affiliate players because your boundary, in effect, has not been extended.

JIM HUMPHREY

So again, you didn't give them an exemption for tier 1 Midget, you gave them an exemption for staying tier 2 at Bantam, an exemption to stay at tier 2 at Pee wee. So there's 12 kids in Gold River at Midget age level and they only take one, so that means that none of those others 11 kids at Midget age can be affiliated into Campbell River, even though the only reason Campbell River is tier 1 is because of that one kid. It doesn't make any sense, and surely there must be....



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BARRY PETRACHENKO

I understand, Jim, and not to cut you off, but what we got to at the end of the discussion was, let's try it and if we have 20 situations that are unfair under a new Regulation like that, we can address them, because there are a lot of "what ifs", and this was the simplest form to get it to the table. So that might happen. It is a "what if", and if it becomes an issue or creates a problem, we can certainly amend further at subsequent AGMs.

CHUCK CAMPBELL

I'd like to move an amendment, please, to amend the paragraph 4 to add the words,

"for those Divisions for which exemptions have been granted",

that will take care of the problem.

SHANNON BELL

Just to comment, Jim. You know, in terms of the exemptions, you are aware that a tier 1 Association can take players from another Association and they're not reclassified at all, 'cause they're at the top. They can be as big as they like, but tier 2, 3, 4 are reclassified because they're smaller and so on.

JIM HUMPHREY

No, I agree, and I think all of those that I met with this afternoon agree, and so can I ask Chuck to re-read that.

CHUCK CAMPBELL

That the paragraph (iv) read,

***"In all situations where an exemption has been granted,
the Association granted the exemption may not affiliate
players from the adjacent association for those***



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Divisions for which exemptions have been granted.”

BARRY PETRACHENKO

We would need a seconder for that, but Chuck, to that point, or to that suggestion, you would then create a situation where your Peewee team, there's no exemption granted at Peewee, 'cause they didn't sign any players, but now they would have – they would remain at your tier and they would have access to players from an association that would put them above their tier. So your team in the Division that didn't get an exemption would be affiliating players, so your best bet if you wanted to win the Peewee tier 2 would be to take a Midget tier 3 player from an Association, get an exemption for Midget and then your Peewees and Bantams could, under your wording, affiliate all they want from the adjacent Association. So we did consider that and we ruled that out as a possibility.

WILK LIEFKE

There's a motion on the floor. Do we have a seconder for Chuck's motion?

JIM HUMPHREY

I would second that.

WILF LIEFKE

Jim Humphrey, Vancouver Island.

<p>RESOLUTION 2012-08 – MOTION TO AMEND WORDING ON THE FLOOR - SEE ABOVE WORDING AS PER CHUCK CAMPBELL MOVER – CHUCK CAMPBELL SECONDER – JIM HUMPHREY</p>



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CHUCK CAMPBELL

What I'm suggesting here is that, if the Executive is really concerned about that the Executive makes the decision with regard to exemptions. They can – they can put whatever conditions they want on the exemptions, and including conditions that prevent teams from drawing players in unfair ways.

WILF LIEFKE

Again, like Barry said, we're trying to make this as transparent and simple as possible. We get exemptions where Minor Hockey Associations, your Associations out there have been waiting for the Executive Committee to rule on these and these are typically done at the semi-annual meeting as to whether you're going up a category or not. I think you're getting – right now you're not being allowed to affiliate any players in this situation. We're allowing you to – this Resolution would allow you to at least do some, and I think it would be prudent perhaps if we gave this Resolution a season under our belts and then look to amend it, as necessary, down the road. Chuck?

CHUCK BULMER – NORTH OKANAGAN

My only concern with this in relation to the other one that's coming up is, I think it's much simpler the one that's following. And I understand, I guess, that people might try to take advantage, but what's being lost is the players that aren't able to affiliate in those situations, the guys that are left back in their home Associations and don't get that opportunity, but I do appreciate the efforts being made in this direction, so that's it.

WILF LIEFKE

Okay, so we've got a motion and it's been seconded to amend the Resolution. Do you want to hear the amended motion? Or sorry, Troy?

TROY THEODORE – ALDERGROVE MINOR HOCKEY

You say there's Associations here waiting for this decision to be made, but not one Association has stood up here and told me why this motion is good for them or what they can do. I've heard a Director talk about it, I've heard Chuck talk about it, but Chuck, we're in the same place, it doesn't affect us at



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all, but I want to hear somebody from an Association that this affects, and the reason – oh, perfect, just....

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER

(Inaudible – not talking at the microphone.)

WILF LIEFKE

I would ask you to use the mike, please.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER

Can I just yell?

WILF LIEFKE

No.

DAN HAWTHORNE – PRESIDENT – COWICHAN VALLEY

We're a very big tier 2 Association, every year by numbers, about 285 kids on a three year rolling average. What we vote every year, to take the Lake Cowichan kids, 'cause I think we offer – we owe them an obligation to play Rep hockey and we know it's going to bump us up into the bottom tier of tier 1, so we're taking our chances in tier 1. Less chance to win rather than being tier 2, we take their kids, we get about 40 kids total, we get a couple, 3, 4 kids who are Rep players and in that deal we would like the opportunity to offer them to affiliate as well. That's the rationale for us.

CHUCK BULMER – NORTH OKANAGAN

I'll give you one from the other side. We have no team declared in Midget. Guys try out. The Midget team sends the goalie home to North Ok, didn't make the team. A few weeks into the season they get two goalies get sick and they're not able to affiliate this kid that was the last cut back up, and he's now stuck in House. That's our – that's our issue.



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NEIL McNABB

As Chair of Minor we seem to deal with the affiliation issue, the numbers are quite a bit this year. I think this is a good first step. You know, yes, we may have some problems in the details of it, but it's going in the intent that I think the Membership wants us to go. So I think it's a good first step to get there, and maybe in years 2 and 3 we might have to tweak it a little bit as has been suggested, but I do think this is a good first step.

TROY THEODORE

So as I understand it now, Chuck has made a motion, an addition to yours, and basically that puts the Pee wee divisions at an advantage. If – if your motion goes through now, correct me if I'm wrong, and you – if you take up a Midget player and you have an exemption, you can affiliate the Pee wee and Bantam Divisions below it and....

CHUCK CAMPBELL

No.

TROY THEODORE

Yeah, well Pacific Coast can restrict it, but I mean, this is for BC. This is North Okanagan, this is OMAHA, this....

CHUCK CAMPBELL

The motions says that – the amendment says that, for those Divisions where an exemption is granted they are permitted to affiliate, they're only permitted to affiliate where they do not get an exemption, that's the way it should be.



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WILF LIEFKE

Everybody clear on the amendment to the motion? Any further discussion? All those in favour of the amended motion – amendment, sorry? All those in favour of the amended motion? Keep your hands up, please? Those opposed? The amendment passed.

RESOLUTION 2012-08 – MOTION TO AMEND (WORDING AS ABOVE)

MOVER – CHUCK CAMPBELL

SECONDER – JIM HUMPHREY

MOTION CARRIED

WILF LIEFKE

So now we'll vote on the amended motion. All those in favour? Opposed? Carried.

RESOLUTION 2012-08 – MOTION TO ACCEPT AMENDED MOTION

MOVER – NONE IDENTIFIED

SECONDER – NONE IDENTIFIED

MOTION CARRIED

WILF LIEFKE

The next one I'd like to do, **Resolution 2012-10**, ahead of 9. I think it will make a lot more sense if we do 10 first. It's **1:09**, and basically it's changing the terminology from Junior "B" to Junior "A", tier 1 and tier 2. So Junior "B" would be referred to as Junior "B" tier 2. Discussion, Brian Harrison?

DISCUSSION

BRIAN HARRISON

Yes, this Resolution has been put forward by the Pacific International Junior Hockey League, who feel extremely passionate about this motion. They feel that Junior "B" should be re-branded at the present, that we've raised Junior "B" to a new level in BC. We certainly have done well against Western



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Canadian teams, and as part of this enhancement of the Junior “B” program, they feel a re-branding is necessary and have suggested that we go to Junior “A” tier 2, because they think that falls in line with the tiering process that we have for other categories. So this is being put forward by them on behalf of the Pacific International Junior Hockey League for Junior “B”.

ANDREW JAKOBEIT

I’ll try to be politically correct with this. I somewhat find it offensive, really, for the Junior “B” to sort of ride the coattails of the success of the Junior “A” branding. They’ve spent a significant amount of time and money in branding and building that league, and to, yes, literally jump on the coattails of that success I don’t think is right. As a minor note there, I see it’s made by only one Junior “B” league, there are three, and they should perhaps be speaking as three. I’m not sure if this is representative of all three leagues, and perhaps in future motions they would indicate that, but I’ll stick to my first point there about riding the coattails. Thank you.

JOHN GRISDALE

Just to add, certainly it is in our view, as a Junior “A” division that’s worked really hard on our brand and spent quite a bit of money on our brand, it’s certainly an attempt, as Andrew has said, in our minds to lead to confusion, and from the recruiting sides, if you look at the rationale it will assist in recruitment, but if you look at recruitment, recruitment of a Junior level crosses branches. So a player that’s in Alberta that’s coming out to BC to Junior “A” tier 2 is not – is confused – the family is confused at what level their coming out at, thinking they’re coming to Junior “A” when in fact they have – they’re really in Junior “B” program that would be already in place in their own branch. It would be no different than Junior “A” applying here to view to become Major Junior tier 2. We’re not Major Junior, they are a level above us. They do deserve to be a level above us, and you are really what you are, you know. And I think from a family perspective, trying to understand the level between a 1 and a 2 at the Junior level, Junior “A” 1 and 2, with you know 39 Junior “B” teams, 16 Junior “A” teams, it would create a heck of a lot more confusion. I think it’s – the branding side of things, certainly understand the need and wish of any category to want to re-brand. Re-branding is an expensive item and we’ve spent a lot of time in Junior “A” across Canada re-branding ourselves, and so I don’t support this motion at all.



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WILF LIEFKE

This was defeated in Resolutions as well. Troy?

TROY THEODORE – ALDERGROVE MINOR HOCKEY

I think for you to force tier 1, 2, 3, and 4 on us as Minor Hockey Associations is fine, but these are all private enterprises, they're all privately owned. Junior "A" franchises are owned by businessmen, Junior "B" are owned by businessmen, and I don't think that it is our job to force them to re-brand their "B" to an "A" or – or the "A" brand having to add another 39 "B" teams to their brand. So I think it's not really our position to tell businessmen when they buy an "A" franchise that you're going to have 39 more franchises added to that, because the BC Hockey board here, people voted on it. So they pay their money for their franchises and I think an "A" franchise is worth a specific amount of money and a "B" franchise is worth a specific amount of money, and for us to muddle that up wouldn't be very fair.

WILF LIEFKE

Just to clarify, the Resolution was submitted by Pacific Coast International Junior Hockey League.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE

Yes.

WILF LIEFKE

Okay, any more discussion?

CHUCK CAMPBELL

Does the BC Hockey Executive have a position on this motion?



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WILF LIEFKE

Just previously stated, yes, we defeated it. Any further discussion? Hearing none, all those in favour? Those opposed? It's defeated.

RESOLUTION 2012-10

MOTION DEFEATED

WILF LIEFKE

We'll go back to **Resolution 2012-9**. Since Resolution 2012-10 was defeated, **Resolution 2012-9** becomes redundant. **Resolution 2012-11, Regulation 2.24**. This regulation will clarify that special affiliation is only method of affiliation to be utilized by Minor Hockey teams. This is in keeping with our past practice, in that this is the only method of affiliation that has been permitted at Minor levels over the past decade. Discussion?

DISCUSSION

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE (Later learned was Vanna Achtem)

Can we get clarification? Does this – is this for our carded or our tiered teams, or is this for all teams?

BARRY PETRACHENKO

Intended for carded.

WILF LIEFKE

And this was carried in Resolutions by the Executive Committee. Go ahead, Vanna.

VANNA ACHTEM

Pacific Coast would ask that this be tabled. I think there is some confusion out there on who, what, where, when, and why, and how the rule is actually implemented, so if I could get a seconder for that?



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JIM HUMPHREY

I would do that but before I do, can I ask a question? I'd like to know – we have a Hockey Canada book and we are already so hard teaching our coaches the differences. They have to have an interpreter to have the Hockey Canada, the BC Hockey, the District, the this/the that, and now we have a clear - Hockey Canada stipulates the affiliation process. We have – I don't mean to disagree with the Chair of the Resolutions, but we have used the club system at Minor Hockey within the last 10 years. I understand that Pacific Coast does it quite regularly. I don't understand the rationale of why we have to change something that Hockey Canada allows, what is the big deal? If that's the way some of the Associations want to do it is to affiliate a whole team at Minor, so be it, let them affiliate a whole team at Minor. That's what the Hockey Canada affiliation is all about, and if you could answer that then I would not – then I would help my astute friend over there, I'd second it after you answer it or not.

BARRY PETRACHENKO

Jim, when the statement is made that we haven't used club affiliation in the last decade, we only register Rep players, so we don't do – we don't deal with the registration or affiliation of Recreational level players within any of our Branch regulations. So we have never allowed a club Association in the time I've been here, and that's 12 years, so that's what that comment is being made in regard to. This is for – all of our Regulations, I suppose you could apply to the Recreational level, however, since BC Hockey, as a branch, does not deal with the registration of those Recreational players, only in the affiliation of a Recreational player to a Rep or carded team, and it would apply in that situation where you couldn't use a club system. So effectively your Midget team couldn't affiliate from any team within your Association, they always have had to list 19 players at the carded level.

JIM HUMPHREY

Okay, but I'm led to believe that BC Hockey is going to start doing Minor teams 2012/2013.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE VOICE

“C” teams for....



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BARRY PETRACHENKO

Our pilot project is for the registration of team officials on those teams, not to get into affiliation and player registration, other than for some basics on citizenship, so we are not at that stage and we would have to address any club or otherwise affiliations at Recreational down the road if we ever did get into that. This is not intended to stop whatever's happening at the Recreational level. In fact, at the Recreational level your teams in most districts balance, so you're not really even following carding regulations because you're moving players around and probably not adhering to limits and those sorts of things, and the Branch doesn't get involved in those situations. So just to be clear, I mean, we only deal with Rep teams. So, yes, an affiliate player coming up from Recreational to Rep would be bound by this Regulation, but it's what we've done for 12 years, we are not changing a thing there.

JIM HUMPHREY

Okay, that part I agree with, Barry. So maybe I can as Pacific Coast President second my amendment rather than me second her tabling. Can you not add "**competitive**" in front of Minor so it says, "**competitive Minor Hockey teams**", and then we don't have to worry about Hockey Canada says competitive/recreational. If we put "**competitive**" in front of it we know what colour the horse is.

BARRY PETRACHENKO

We could say that effectively by saying, "**Minor Hockey category "A" teams**", and that would satisfy that, Jim, because all carded teams in BC Hockey are categorized "A".

JIM HUMPHREY

Okay, so then my suggestion to amend then is after the word "**Minor Hockey**", add the word "**tiered**" on the first line and then....

BARRY PETRACHENKO

Then we could either go with carded "A", or you could go "tier 1, 2, 3, and 4 teams."



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WILF LIEFKE

While Vanna and Jim are discussing this here, we were going to make....

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE (VANNA ACHTEM)

(Inaudible – not at microphone)

BARRY PETRACHENKO

“A” category satisfies what you want and is in line with the rest of our....

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE (VANNA ACHTEM)

Okay, okay, “A” category, that’s fine.

JIM HUMPHREY

Okay, so “A” are competitive or....

BARRY PETRACHENKO

“A” category.

JIM HUMPHREY

“A” category, okay, that’s our – that’s our....

WILF LIEFKE

I was just going to finish and say that we’ll just – there was no seconder for the tabling and....

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE (VANNA ACHTEM)



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Okay, then I'll pull that off.

WILF LIEFKE

Okay, and then we'll deal with the amendment.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE VOICE (VANNA ACHTEM)

Okay, should I read the amendment then?

WILF LIEFKE

Please, please.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE VOICE (VANNA ACHTEM)

Can I read it? Okay.

“2:24 – Minor Hockey tiered teams, of “A” teams, “A” category teams shall registered affiliate players in accordance with the Hockey Canada Regulations regarding Specially Affiliated Players. (NOTE: The use of Team to Team and Club Affiliation is not permitted for Minor “A” Category Teams.) The affiliation system for Recreational teams shall be determined by the respective District Associations.”

BARRY PETRACHENKO

You slid that one in at the end. I don't think that's necessary because we currently do not have any Regulations that deal with that affiliation, and that changes the intent of the motion. The motion is to clarify the affiliation of players at the “A” category level, and I think the Recreational level is not necessary to achieve the safeguard that you're purporting.



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UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE VOICE (VANNA ACHTEM)

Yeah, but you can slip it in your operating policy.

BARRY PETRACHENKO

Yeah, I agree. There's no intent here to go to the Recreational level, and we can deal with that Recreational level over the course of next year at the Executive Committee and can come up with wording over due course that can achieve that goal without sliding it in.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE VOICE (VANNA ACHTEM)

Well – but if it doesn't really matter then does it really hurt if it's in there? That way I know we're protected.

BARRY PETRACHENKO

But my point is, is that the intent of this – you change the intent by doing that. We haven't given that due consideration. We don't know what that means. It probably doesn't mean anything, but why do it when it changes the intent, and we don't deal with the registration of the Recreational teams as it is.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE VOICE (VANNA ACHTEM)

But will you be approving Recreational rosters next season...

BARRY PETRACHENKO

No. Just not – not with....

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE VOICE (VANNA ACHTEM)

...team officials?

BARRY PETRACHENKO



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Not relative to affiliation and the player registration. The purpose of the pilot project is to approve team officials, because that's our mandate from the government.

SHANNON BELL

Vanna is afraid we're going to take this away from them.

BARRY PETRACHENKO

No, no we're not, we have no interest, and we don't have the ability to do it. Like that is the farthest thing from my mind, as the Registrar, we are not looking to dip our toe into that pond. We don't want any part of that, and this motion is not intended for that. It's to clarify that you can't have a Midget team that affiliates to multiple teams within your Association under the Club system.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE VOICE (VANNA ACHTEM)

Well I would like the motion to stand, or the amended motion to stand.

BARRY PETRACHENKO

I think the amendment with that add in is out of order, frankly. I would have to ask Wilf to rule on that but it changes the intent of the motion.

WILF LIEFKE

I would agree with our Executive Director. Carol?

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE VOICE (VANNA ACHTEM)

So then do you just want "A' category", and then we'll remove that last sentence?

WILF LIEFKE



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Yeah, yeah, just – do you want to read it again, just without that last sentence then, Vanna.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE VOICE (VANNA ACHTEM)

Okay.

“Minor Hockey ‘A’ category teams shall register affiliate players in accordance with the Hockey Canada Regulations regarding Specialty Players. (NOTE: The use of Team to Team and Club Affiliation is not permitted for Minor Hockey Tier Teams.)

WILF LIEFKE

“Tier ‘A’ Teams.”

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE VOICE (VANNA ACHTEM)

“And category.”

WILF LIEFKE

You were doing so good there until the end. Carol?

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE VOICE (CAROL MCGREGOR)

I just want some clarification. Regulation 1.01 states:

“Minor Hockey Associations of BC Hockey shall be categorized as ‘A’...”,

as you have mentioned,

“...and designated by the following tiers – Tier 1, Tier 2,

Tier 3, and Tier 4. For the purposes of affiliation Regulations each tier will be considered a category.”



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So is “tiers” not the correct wording for the amendment?

BARRY PETRACHENKO

No, the wording of the amendment satisfies what the intent of the amendment was.

WILF LIEFKE

Any further discussions? Larry Jeeves, OHAHA?

LARRY JEEVES

I just want to clarify that category “A” includes the Female teams, and therefore, if it was tiered teams, the Females would be left out of this motion.

WILF LIEFKE

Jim, did you second Vanna's....

JIM HUMPHREY

Yes, I did.

WILF LIEFKE

Okay, no further discussion, so we'll have a vote on the amended motion – on the amendment, sorry. So we'll have a vote on the amendment to the Resolution. All those in favour? Opposed? The amendment is carried.

<p>RESOLUTION 2012-11 – MOTION TO AMEND WORDING - SEE WORDING ABOVE AS PER VANNA ACHEM MOVER – VANNA ACHEM SECONDER – JIM HUMPHREY</p>



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MOTION CARRIED

So now we're going to vote on the amended motion. All those in favour? Opposed? Carried.

RESOLUTION 2012-11 AS AMENDED

MOVER – NOT IDENTIFIED

SECONDER – NOT IDENTIFIED

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution 2011-12, any discussion? All in favour? Opposed?
Carried.

WILF LIEFKE

Resolution 2012-12, Regulation 2.24(b). This was defeated in Resolutions, BC Hockey Executive. The rationale for this Resolution is that if Associations add the numbers used to determine Tiering Classification from the Associations they draw from, it would seem reasonable that they would be able to draw affiliates from those Associations since they have already accepted their numbers.

DISCUSSION

CHUCK CAMPBELL

We've already dealt with this in Motion 8. I think at this point this motion is superfluous. If the – if the Mover is not present to withdraw the motion, I would urge that it be defeated.

WILF LIEFKE

No further discussion? All those in favour? Those opposed? Defeated.

MOTION – RESOLUTION 2012-12

MOVER – BILL GREENE (NOT PRESENT)

SECONDER – NONE IDENTIFIED

MOTION DEFEATED



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WILF LIEFKE

Resolution 2012-13, Regulation 2.31. The rationale here is to mandate Criminal Record Checks for Junior Hockey Team Officials, and that's in line with BC Hockey Policy. This was carried in Resolutions by the BC Hockey Executive Committee. Any discussion? Hearing none, all those in favour? Opposed? Carried.

MOTION – RESOLUTION 2012-13

MOVER – NONE IDENTIFIED

SECONDER – NONE IDENTIFIED

MOTION CARRIED

WILF LIEFKE

Resolution 2012-14, Regulation 4:02. Cathy?

CATHY MASON – NORTH CENTRAL DISTRICT DIRECTOR

I motion to table this Resolution. I'd like to table it to Sunday in order for the Membership to participate in discussion relevant to this motion.

WILF LIEFKE

Okay, we have a Motion to table.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE VOICE (NOT IN FRONT OF MICROPHONE)

Most of us won't be here on Sunday.

WILF LIEFKE

There's no discussion on a tabled motion. It's been moved and seconded. All those in favour? All those in favour of tabling the motion? Those opposed? The Motion to Table is defeated.



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RESOLUTION 2012-14 – MOTION TO TABLE

MOVER – CATHY MASON

SECONDER – NOT IDENTIFIED

MOTION DEFEATED

WILF LIEFKE

Okay, the change here is **Regulation 4.02 – “In divisions of Pee wee and in Female Hockey body checking, as defined by Hockey Canada Playing Rules shall not be permitted.”**

It's been moved and seconded. Discussion? Troy, is that a maybe?

UNIDENTIFIED MALE VOICE (TROY THEODORE) - (NOT BY MICROPHONE)

I don't want it to go on all night.

WILF LIEFKE

Hearing none, all those in favour? Opposed? One more time, all those in favour? Opposed? I think that was carried. Okay, we'll do a roll call. All those in favour, again? Could I ask the Scrutineers to.....

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE VOICE – NOT BY MICROPHONE

Excuse me, could we just read the motion again, please?

WILF LIEFKE

A question has been called. Considering this is close, may I suggest that we go to a ballot vote?



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CHUCK CAMPBELL

May I suggest we have a roll call vote, please, so that the Associations are recorded on this issue? It's probably the most important issue we're going to be voting on at this weekend, and I think it's very important that those of us who stand for safety for children be recorded as having stood for that.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE VOICE

Did that open up the floor for discussion?

WILF LIEFKE

Chuck has moved for a roll call vote. Is there a seconder?

Name?

PAUL SIDHU – BURNABY MINOR

Paul Sidhu, Burnaby Minor.

WILF LIEFKE

Okay, so those all in favour of a roll call vote? Those in favour of a roll call vote? Those opposed? Those in favour of a roll call vote, again, one more time, please? Those in favour of a roll call vote? Those opposed? I would say the roll call vote is defeated.

RESOLUTION 2012-14 – MOTION FOR ROLL CALL VOTE

MOVER – CHUCK CAMPBELL

SECONDER - PAUL SIDHU

MOTION DEFEATED

WILF LIEFKE

So that means we're going back to a ballot vote, and that would be number 1 on your ballots. What you're going to be putting on that ballot, and the only thing you'll be putting is "in favour", or, "opposed."



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STEVE LEGGE – WHISTLER MHA

I want to go home tonight, so yeah. I don't have far to go, but let's not make sure that it's clarified how the vote is written in, not like the Quebec election vote, "yes" means no, and "no" means yes", you know what I'm saying. So can we clarify how what you're writing is what you're actually declaring you want? Thank you.

WILF LIEFKE

That's what you'd be voting in favour of.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE VOICE – NOT AT MICROPHONE – (INAUDIBLE)

Either in favour or opposed.

WILF LIEFKE

In favour or opposed.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE VOICE – NOT AT MICROPHONE

In favour of what?

CHUCK CAMPBELL

"In favour", is in favour of eliminated body checking at Peewee hockey.

WILF LIEFKE

One last time, is everybody clear on that? It appears they're clear.

DISCUSSION



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BILL VAN HELVOIRT – PRINCE GEORGE

Excuse me, excuse me, Bill Van Helvoirt, Prince George. I just have a question. Earlier, the last motion, or a couple of motions ago we were talking that this only regulates carded teams. Are we talking Peewee carded now, or are we talking House and carded?

WILF LIEFKE

All Peewee. All Peewee and Female. We've got boxes at the front table here.

(NOTE: AT THIS POINT A BALLOT VOTE IS CONDUCTED. BALLOTS ARE COLLECTED FOR COUNTING.)

WILF LIEFKE

Could I have everybody's attention, please? Your attention, please? One more time, can I have your attention, please? What I'm going to suggest is while the Scrutineers are – first of all, has everybody voted that wanted to vote? What I'm going to suggest is, while the Scrutineers are counting the ballots is that we move on to the last couple of Resolutions and get through those, and then we'll announce what the result is of that. So we're at **Resolution 2012-15**.

“Regulation 4:10 – Players in Uniform – Teams shall dress a minimum of fifteen (15) players in Championship games and post a \$5,000.00 performance bond in order to participate in the Senior Male AAA Championships.”

We've had situations where teams have shown up with less than 15, due to injury/suspension, they fall below the 15 number and haven't been able to compete. The host Association has been out a good portion of their money or whatever, so this was directed by Senior to alleviate that. Any discussion? Hearing none, all those in favour? Opposed? Carried.

RESOLUTION 2012-15

MOVER – NONE IDENTIFIED

SECONDER – NONE IDENTIFIED



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MOTION CARRIED

WILF LIEFKE

Resolution 2012-16, Regulation 5:15 deals with the three or four referee system in championships. Our above Minor BC Hockey League has been using for a couple of years the four official system and this is to address that. This still gives the discretion to the Executive Committee to determine what referee method will be used for Minor Championships. I can confirm that everything we do in Minor Championships, what we do in one championship we do in all of them. So if we have a three official system in one championship, and that's what the Executive Committee has decided, that's what we'll have in all our championships. If it's four, it will be four. We'll go with Dave Beattie first.

DISCUSSION

DAVE BEATTIE – NANAIMO

I speak in favour of the motion, we agree with it, but we don't agree with the one change where it says, the last sentence in the change, "***In BC Hockey Minor Hockey Championships, the BC Hockey Executive Committee***" – excuse me, sorry, "***For BC Hockey Championships the District/Divisional Directors overseeing the playoff shall approve the Officials. This approval shall be from a list of Officials provided by the Referee Committee members.***"

I think the previous wording for – "*In Minor Hockey, BC Hockey Championships qualified officials who have regularly officiated in their hockey will be used wherever possible, and this approval shall be from a list of officials provided by the Referee Committee (in consultation) with the BC Hockey representative in charge of the series.*"

And the reason I come out with that is, we had a Referee Committee member for our Midget Tier 1 BC Hockey Championships that did not recommend any officials from Nanaimo, although we had a number of qualified officials. He was overruled by the BC Hockey representative who was supervising the championship.

WILF LIEFKE



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I think this Resolution here, Dave, deals with situations that aren't foreseen. Your situation is, is that there should have been a list of officials that were approved prior to the championship and then those officials be assigned from that pool. I think this deals with a situation that is, for whatever reason, the officials that have been assigned cannot make the game or there's a change, is that the BC Hockey Director or the District Director in charge would make that – give that approval at the championship.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE VOICE – NOT AT MICROPHONE

That's not what the wording says. That's not what the change in the wording says.

WILF LIEFKE

So, Dave, are you proposing an amendment to that, and if so, could you read it out? To clarify it, at the top its got 5.15, and the last paragraph is 5.16, that's what you're talking about?

DAVE BEATTIE

Yes, I'm suggesting that the highlighted words, ***“For BC Hockey Championship the District/Divisional Directors overseeing the playoff shall approve the Officials. This approval shall come from a list of Officials provided by the Referee Committee memberships.”***

I would suggest that that change be deleted and we go back to the original wording which says, ***“This approval shall come from a list of Officials provided by the Referee Committee member in consultation with the BC Hockey Representative in charge of the series.”***

WILF LIEFKE

Would it be simpler, Dave, then to put and still have your intent, ***“This approval shall be from a list of Officials provided by the Referee Committee members in consultation with...”***

DAVE BEATTIE

That's fine. That's the way the previous wording was.



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WILF LIEFKE

Okay, so we have a motion to amend the Resolution. Is there a seconder? Dave Buck, Pacific Coast. Any further discussion on the amended motion?

JIM HUMPHREY

The amendment, right?

WILF LIEFKE

On the amended. On the amendment. Sorry, thanks, Jim. Hearing none, all those in favour of the amendment? Opposed? Carried.

RESOLUTION 2012-16 – AMENDMENT OF MOTION – SEE WORDING ABOVE

MOVER – DAVE BEATTIE

SECONDER – DAVE BUCK

MOTION CARRIED RE AMENDMENT

JIM HUMPHREY

Okay, this was the last one that we were going to ask to table, but I'm not going to ask that. Can we not put a date, because the concern of – at the District Presidents table was that somebody puts into host, and I don't know, we'll use Alberni Valley, 'cause they're the only ones that put into House Midget tier 3, and they're putting it in under the guidelines that we've always used a three person system. BC Hockey makes a decision in January 2013 to go with the four man system, just added a huge bill to their bill. Can we not put in a date, Wilf, where BC Hockey has to make the decision if they're going to go four man long before this meeting here, like in May of the year previous to the championships?

WILF LIEFKE

Well right now we get that information to Minor Hockey Associations, just not the refereeing issue, we have whole package out so that Association's host have all the information in there, they'll all have the same information, and it hasn't been a problem in the past. This would be no different.



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JIM HUMPHREY

But what would stop BC Hockey in that, not that – what would it stop the Executive Committee of saying in – at the January semi-annual meeting, for instance, that we're going to go four man in March, but yet we – or you're going to approve the host teams on Sunday and they're thinking it's a three man, and that's how they put in their budgets, and now all of a sudden they've got a four man.

BARRY PETRACHENKO

As a part of the bid process we have to send out the guidelines for the championships prior to those Minor Hockey Associations bidding to host them, so logically, that package would go out with the decision of whether it's a three man or a four man. This decision would be made likely at the semi-annual meeting of the year prior to the championship. So next year's championships, at the semi-annual meeting last January, the Executive Committee would make that decision. The Host bid package would go out over the course of the spring, and at the AGM the decisions would be announced as to where the championships are, or thereafter on their policy. So to your question, yeah, we could throw in a bunch of dates and requirements and all of that, but our actual practice is, is that the potential Hosts would have the bid package prior to the AGM of the year before and that bid package would stipulate three or four man system.

JIM HUMPHREY

And I respect that, Barry, but how – why can – by the semi – you have to make your decision at the semi-annual. Like it wouldn't be that hard to put that in there, and I mean no disrespect to the Executive Committee, but there has been concern of the District Presidents, as the Chair of Minor knows, 'cause he got told in November, is that it seems BC Hockey sometimes is running by policy, not by Regulations and Bylaws and there's concern out there that this that we're voting on today all of a sudden becomes a policy and not much anybody can do. So that's where it comes. Why can we not put what you just said, Barry, ***“the semi-annual meeting in the year previous to the championships”***, a simple wording like that.



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BARRY PETRACHENKO

You can do whatever you want by way of motion.

JIM HUMPHREY

Okay, well then I'm making a motion then that BC Hockey Executive Committee determine the – at Minor Hockey only, right, they determine whether it's a three man or a four man system at the semi-annual in the year prior to the championships being hosted.

BARRY PETRACHENKO

Would you be comfortable with, *“Prior to the distribution of call for bids”*?

JIM HUMPHREY

Sure.

WILF LIEFKE

Secunder?

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE VOICE

(INAUDIBLE – NOT AT MICROPHONE)

WILF LIEFKE

Was there a seconder for Jim's? State your name, please?

JEREMY WEBB – KERRY PARK

Jeremy Webb, Kerry Park.



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WILF LIEFKE

Okay, so we've got another amendment, to put it at the semi-annual prior to the distribution of the host package. Prior to the distribution of the host package.

BARRY PETRACHENKO

Of the call for bids?

WILF LIEFKE

Or for the call for bids. Andrew?

ANDREW JAKOBEIT

Well, I think there's a speaker ahead of me here but I do want to speak to this as well. We were asked for clarification.

WILF LIEFKE

Okay, let's go out on the floor and then we'll go out to you.

PAUL SORLEY – WILLIAMS LAKE MINOR HOCKEY

I would just like clarification on the three referee system. Is it the traditional three man system or is it the modified three man system, which is two referees and one linesman? So would it give it the choice?

WILF LIEFKE

No, that would be stated. Are we okay with that without putting that into the Resolution?

PAUL SORLEY



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Well it's just – well the reason why I'm putting – I'm just asking the question is because in clinics we're teaching the two referee, one linesman system, and if we have it in there as the three referee system we want to know if it is the traditional or it is the modified, which is the one we'd want to go with.

WILF LIEFKE

If I told you that we would clarify whether it was the traditional three man system or the modified three man system, would that suffice?

PAUL SORLEY

Yeah.

WILF LIEFKE

Okay. Andrew?

ANDREW JAKOBEIT

Yeah, I just wanted some clarification, because in your opening statement you said if the Executive decided to three or four man, it would be for all championships here, but that's not in this wording. The way the original motion as presented before we talked about amendments, the way I read it, it leaves it open for a Host Association to make application to the Executive Committee to say, for our championship we would like a four man system, and it makes sense for Midgets and maybe some Bantams to have a four man system, where Peewees maybe potentially not. So I just wanted clarification on that because I know in the paragraph above you say, all, but it's not....

WILF LIEFKE

The clarification is, Andrew, is that it has been policy to what we do in one championship, we do in all, and yes, that could come forward as a variance, I suppose, and would be dealt with by the committee, the Minor Committee at the semi-annual.



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Any further discussion on Jim's amendment? Hearing none, all in favour of the amendment?
Opposed? Carried.

RESOLUTION 2012-16 – AMENDMENT OF MOTION

MOVER – JIM HUMPHREY

SECONDER – JEREMY WEBB

CARRIED

WILF LIEFKE

Okay, so now we're going go to the amended motion. All those in favour? Opposed? Carried.

AMENDED MOTION – RESOLUTION 2012-16

MOVER – DAVE BEATTIE

SECONDER – DAVE BUCK

MOTION CARRIED AS PER AMENDED MOTION – SEE WORDING ABOVE

WILF LIEFKE

Resolution 2012-17, Regulation 5.46(d). This deals with the Junior "B" reserve fund. The Bylaw sets out that the fund may only be utilized to cover the deficient from Junior "B" Championship. Since the Regulation cannot supersede a Bylaw, the current wording of this Regulation is out of order, and this Resolution deals with that. Any discussion? All those in favour? Opposed? Carried.

RESOLUTION 2012-17

MOVER – NONE IDENTIFIED

SECONDER – NONE IDENTIFIED

MOTION CARRIED

WILF LIEFKE

Resolution 2012-18, Regulation 6:02. The proposed change is that if an ineligible Play or Team Official is used in the BC Hockey Championship game, the Team will automatically be disqualified. All games involving this disqualified team will be forfeited and the disqualified team will forfeit their



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performance bond (where applicable). This is to ensure that the team show a commitment and the spirit and integrity towards the Championship. Any discussion? All those in favour? Opposed? Carried.

RESOLUTION 2012-18

MOVER – NONE IDENTIFIED

SECONDER – NONE IDENTIFIED

MOTION CARRIED

WILF LIEFKE

Now we're going to go back. We've got some information on **Resolution 2012-01**.

BARRY PETRACHENKO

The clarification on **Resolution 2012-01**, was as I suggested back when we discussed it earlier. The current Regulation 307 sets out the membership application. The paragraph in the Bylaw that comes after these amended paragraphs sets out the process for registering or gaining membership as a "AA" team. So the changes to eliminate the opportunity for a team to apply for membership as a "AAA" team was intentional to your question, Jim, because the Senior Committee feels that a team should come in at "AA" and then reclassified to "AAA" after establishing their ability to operate.

WILF LIEFKE

Are you okay with the explanation?

JIM HUMPHREY

Sure, thanks.

WILF LIEFKE

So we'll need a motion to bring that back, because it was tabled.



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UNIDENTIFIED MALE VOICE

(INAUDIBLE – NOT AT MICROPHONE)

WILF LIEFKE

Is everybody okay with that procedure? Okay. Any further discussion on that? All those in favour? Opposed? It's carried.

RESOLUTION 2012-01 (PREVIOUSLY TABLED)

MOVER – NONE IDENTIFIED

SECONDER – NONE IDENTIFIED

MOTION CARRIED

WILF LIEFKE

Okay, so that leaves **Resolution 2012-04**, which will be brought forward to the second Plenary on Sunday at 9 a.m.

And with that I adjourn Resolutions.

Here they come. How's that for timing. Okay, so the ballots came in at 231 – Opposed; 215 In favour. The motion is defeated, that's **Resolution 2012-14**.

RESOLUTION 2012-14 - (HELD DOWN PREVIOUSLY FOR BALLOT COUNT)

231 OPPOSED/215 IN FAVOUR

MOVER – NONE IDENTIFIED

SECONDER – NONE IDENTIFIED

MOTION DEFEATED

WILF LIEFKE

And with that, I adjourn Resolutions.



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PRESIDENT SHANNON BELL

Excuse me, everyone. We're going to move ahead now with the social. The Resolutions that were tabled will be brought back on Sunday morning.

**** MEETING ADJOURNED 9:45 P.M. ****

PLENARY #2

CALL TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT SHANNON BELL (9:15 A.M.)

Good morning, everyone. Good morning, we're going to get started. Before we do get started I'd just like to mention that our Life Member, Don Freer, some of you may have heard, he had an accident last night, he tripped, and Barry took him to the hospital here and he is okay. He's had some stitches, a sore arm, and he is on his way home, but he is okay, in case some of you were wondering.

I'd like to get the morning moving, so I'm going to ask June McKenzie to come and update everybody on the Credentials Report.

CREDENTIALS REPORT – JUNE MCKENZIE

Minor Association	79
Minor Leagues and Teams	401
Junior A	0
Junior B	3
Junior Female	1
Senior Female AAA, AA, A, Recreational	1
Senior Male AAA, AA, A Recreational	0
Officers, Executive & Life Members	22
Total	506



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PRESIDENT SHANNON BELL

Could I get a motion to approve the report of the Credentials Committee, please. Jim Humphrey. Seconded, Vanna Achtem, Pacific Coast. All in favour? Opposed? Carried.

MOTION – TO ADOPT THE CREDENTIALS REPORT

MOVER – JIM HUMPHREY

SECONDER – VANNA ACHTEM

MOTION CARRIED

We have some unfinished business with Resolutions so I'll ask Wilf to step forward, please.

RESOLUTIONS – WILF LIEFKE

Resolution 2012-04 was tabled from Friday night, and in discussion with the District Presidents we've got an amendment to Resolution 2012-04 which is up on the screen.

BARRY PETRACHENKO

I'll help out Wilf here, he doesn't have his glasses to read it. The changes that you see on the screen, the yellow highlights, what is being changed, to strike from the original wording of the motion; the red has been added. So, in effect, "***the President would be granted the authority that if the investigation is not initiated within 14 days of the incident, then the President may determine that no disciplinary measures are appropriate.***" So it's with the intent of the original motion that a suspension can be ruled out or dismissed if not initiated within 14 days and the President determines that that's necessary. It removes the concern from Friday night that was raised that the wording of the motion actually could work to give the President further power to suspend than the President already has. And we've reviewed that wording, as Wilf said, with the District Presidents and they endorse it.

WILF LIEFKE

Do we have somebody that will move that? Humphrey. Seconder?

DAVE BEATTIE – NANAIMO



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Beattie, Nanaimo.

WILF LIEFKE

Beattie. Any discussion? Hearing none, all those in favour of the amendment? Opposed? Carried.

RESOLUTION 2012-04 – MOTION TO AMEND ORIGINAL MOTION

MOVER – JIM HUMPHREY

SECONDER – DAVE BEATTIE

MOTION CARRIED

So now we'll vote on the amended motion. All those in favour? Opposed? Carried. Thank you.

RESOLUTION 2012-04 – AMENDED MOTION

MOVER – NONE IDENTIFIED

SECONDER – NONE IDENTIFIED

MOTION CARRIED

PRESIDENT SHANNON BELL

At this time I'd like to ask Rick Boekestyn to come forward and give the report on the Nominating Committee

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE – RICK BOEKESTYN

As submitted in your book.

PRESIDENT SHANNON BELL

Thank you. And that concludes the business portion of the 93rd Annual General Meeting, and we will now proceed to elections. Rick, would you like to come over and do that?

ELECTIONS – RICK BOEKESTYN



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Now I get talk. Okay, here we go. We're going to do the elections. We're going to start with President. The Nominating Committee puts forward the name of Wilf Liefke for President. Do I hear any further nominations from the floor?

Are there any further nominations from the floor for the second time? For the third time, is there any further nominations from the floor? Seeing none, I declare **Wilf Liefke, President.**

The Nominating Committee puts forward the name of Randy Henderson and Neil McNabb for Vice President. Are there any further nominations from the floor? For the second time, are there any further nominations from the floor? For the third time, any further nominations from the floor? Okay, I would ask you, we've already had one ballot during Resolutions, so we're at number 2 on your card. So I would ask you to put the name of either Randy Henderson – oh, actually, are we going to let Randy Henderson speak. We'll start with Randy Henderson, let him come up and tell you why he wants to be Vice President.

RANDY HENDERSON – ADDRESSES THE MEMBERSHIP

Thank you very much, Rick. Life Members, honoured guests, fellow BC Hockey members, there are incredible celebrations that we went through last night about the amount of work that we do. I'm very, very proud of all of those committees. I think we would like to congratulate everyone sitting out in front of us for all of the tremendous of work that you do on behalf of BC Hockey.

I'm before you this morning requesting your support for my nomination as Vice President of BC Hockey. I've served the branch as a coach, as an HCSP instructor, Speak-out instructor, District President, District Director and an Officer for the past 7 years. We have great traditions in BC Hockey, traditions of excellence in our programming and ensuring that we put the players first, but not neglect or forget our coaches, our officials, our parents, and our other members who are involved to make the game such a success.

I know this because I have Chaired all of our operational committees. I've worked with the people who are boots on the ground, understand their frustrations, understand their successes.



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I believe this experience positions me well to not only support our incoming President but help sustain the background knowledge that we have enjoyed from experienced leadership in the past. We are, no doubt, heading into some rather turbulent waters as we face some federal and provincial legislation that is making demands on non-profit organizations to change the way that we are structured, or might have to do business, but our business still boils down to one thing, and that's putting our players and their needs first, no matter what kind of structure we've got.

I pledge my continued commitment to BC Hockey, the Branch, and you as Minor Hockey Associations and request your support this morning. Thank you very much.

RICK BOEKESTYN

Thank you, Randy. I'll call on Neil McNabb to come up and say a couple of words.

NEIL McNABB – ADDRESSES THE MEMBERSHIP

Thank you, Rick. Thank you, Executive and the members of BC Hockey, it's a pleasure to be here in front of you today. I've had the opportunity to be a BC Hockey Officer at Large for the last couple of years and a District Director before that, and I'm here today to ask for your support as I run for Vice President.

I think most of you have heard some of this before in pieces, but for those of you who don't know me, I started my hockey in Saskatchewan, as you know, a little boy playing on the ponds and decided to be one of those goalies. Discovered that those pucks were pretty hard and the best and safest places were the bench, so I did a lot of my hockey on the bench. Did a little bit of coaching, and stayed with the game a little bit after that, but I didn't get involved with hockey again until I was up in Prince George. And I was a

volunteer in Prince George in the 1990's with my son and working through that area. I was then with Cloverdale for 10 years, and I've had most of the positions that a lot of you have held or are holding



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right now in the Association. Team parent, coach, coaching co-ordinator, tournament co-ordinator, Director, Vice President.

I've been involved with hockey in the small towns in Saskatchewan, the medium size towns in this area, and then up into the Pacific Coast into the district. So I've been involved in hockey in the small towns and the large districts, and then I've had the opportunity to be involved with some of the national programs with Hockey Canada, attending some of their Minor Council meetings, for example.

I've also been involved with the business of the ice allocation, so I've represented Surrey Cloverdale for 10 years as their ice allocator on their Parks and Rec department, so I've got a lot of district experience, a lot of BC Hockey experience.

I've been an active member in numerous committees. Some of the major ones I've been on in the last few years are the Chair in the Minor Hockey Committee, the BC Hockey rep at Minor Council for Hockey Canada. I was also the Chair at one time for Safety and Risk Management, Scholarship Tournament Committee, Finance – and member of the Finance Committee, just to mention a few.

You know, hockey has been good to me and to my family, and I'd like to be able to give something back. And I think I

have some administrative skills, and I think some of you have seen that over the years, and I would like to use some of those administrative skills to help to give back to the membership and to our kids.

So what I'm asking for is your support as my going forward as Vice President. Thank you.

RICK BOEKESTYN

Thank you, Neil. Okay, now take out your voting cards, like I said, on ballot number 2. You will put the name of either Randy Henderson or Neil McNabb, and then you can come to the front and drop it into the boxes here.

WILF LIEFKE



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I'd remind everybody to bring their, so if you're holding proxies, and again, a reminder is, is that one delegate can only have a maximum of three voting cards. Before you come up and deposit you need your voting card to deposit your ballot.

(VOTING PROCESS BEGINS)

RICK BOEKESTYN

Okay, could I have your attention, please. The votes are in and the Nominating Committee, I declare **Neil McNabb, Vice President**, BC Hockey.

Okay, so we'll move on to the Officer at Large, there's three positions, and the Nominating Committee will put forward the names of Lockie Bell, Cathy Mason, and Bob Storey. Are there any further nominations from the floor?

UNIDENTIFIED MALE VOICE

I'd like to nominate Randy Henderson.

RICK BOEKESTYN

Okay, Randy Henderson is nominated. Any further nominations from the floor? For the second time? Third time, is there any further nominations from the floor? Randy, do you accept the nomination?

RANDY HENDERSON

Do we have a seconder?

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE VOICE

I'll second it.



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RICK BOEKESTYN

Don't need seconds for nominations. Okay, so now we have another election. So we have four people for three positions. Like we did the previous years, we have to take them one at a time. So on your cards under number 3, you're voting for one person, okay. This time when we bring up our cards I would like you guys to come through the centre, the boxes will be at this side, so then come through the centre and then back to your seats this way, okay, if you could do that. Keep in mind, that the person has to get 50% of the vote. Okay, so I will ask Lochie Bell to come up first.

LOCHIE BELL – ADDRESSES THE MEMBERSHIP

Good morning, everyone. I will apologize right up front for my voice this morning but I seemed to have caught a little bug overnight or something, and so my voice is a little raspy.

For those of you who don't know my name, my name is Lochie Bell, and I'm running for the position of BC Hockey Officer at Large, and like Neil, I've spoke about a number of these things last year as well, but I know that there are new people here so I'll sort of go over my speech from last year a bit and then kind of add to it.

As a great coach once said, there are only two options regarding commitment, you are either in or you're out, there's no such thing as life in between. My commitment to the hockey community began some 30 plus years ago when I first volunteered as an assistant coach for a Bantam team in Calgary, Alberta. During the '80's I became the liaison between my community hockey association and Calgary Minor. I then – I also got involved in a men's league where I was the team rep, to begin with, and then Vice President and eventually President; the league was called, "Rocky Mountain Petroleum Hockey League." It consisted of a lot of players who played university hockey and Junior "A" level, a few from Major. So I served for three years there in dealing with various things from disciplinarian, ref assigning, and ice scheduling.

In 1990, I moved to Abbotsford where I was an assistant coach for four years before becoming a member of the Association, the Executive where I served for 15 years. While on the Abbotsford Minor Hockey Executive my roles included Chair of their Sponsorship and Fundraising Committee, Coach Coordinator for four years, Manager, and for seven years I was Managing Director for various divisions from Hockey 1-4 right through to the Juvenile division. I was elected 2nd Vice President and



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year later 1st Vice President. While serving as the 1st Vice I Chaired the International Bantam AAA tournament for three years. I spent my last five seasons with Abbotsford Minor Hockey Executive as their President, during which time we hosted three BC Hockey championships.

During the time I also served on Pacific Coast Amateur Hockey Association Nominating Committee one season.

Following my time with Abbotsford Minor Hockey I was elected as a BC Hockey District Director for the Lower Mainland and served for three years, and in addition to my regular duties as a District Director, I served on the BC Hockey Discipline Committee and the Female AAA Development Committee. I was also responsible for discipline one season for the new high school league that had 20 teams at the time in the Lower Mainland District.

I supervised three BC Hockey Championships in Bantam and Midget tier 1. As well, I also served one season with Pacific Coast Amateur Hockey Association on the Rules Committee.

This past season while serving as one of your Officer's at Large my duties included Chairing the Coach Committee, the Safety and Risk Management Committee, the Female AAA League, the Female Hockey Development Committee, and the Discipline Committee. In addition to this, I represented BC Hockey at two meetings on the Hockey Canada Female Council. It was a busy year.

The responsibilities of the Officer at Large include many of the areas in which I have the necessary experience – discipline, oversight of championship competition, budget and governance, to name just a few. My many years of experience have certainly provided me with the knowledge, skills, and abilities to act in that capacity.

I should also state that I am retired, therefore, I have the time to commit and ensure that I can fulfil the responsibilities that this position requires. In my 30 plus years as a dedicated hockey volunteer I've earned the respect of my peers of those I have served with and in those I serve for. I now ask for your support to re-elect me as a BC Hockey Officer at Large, and thereby allow me to continue to serve the hockey community. Thank you very much.

RICK BOEKESTYN



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Thanks, Lochie. Cathy, do you want to come up?

CATHY MASON – ADDRESSES THE MEMBERSHIP

Thank you, Rick. I'm a little short, I'm even shorter than Lochie.

Good morning. First of all, I'd like to thank all of you for your dedication to the game of hockey, and more importantly, for the kids. I grew up a hockey sister. I played for about eight years where my penalty minutes far outweighed my points total, and I later became a hockey mom and an administrator. I spent four years on the Executive of Prince George Minor as a Safety/Risk Management person, then moved on to the District Executive to also be their safety person, and then served for the North Central as a Safety/Risk Management Committee member.

In 2007, I became the North Central District Director and enjoyed the last five years learning from players, parents, coaches, referees, MHA's, and of course, my colleagues on the Executive Committee.

I look forward to the opportunity to serve as an Officer at Large and I know I have the time, the passion, the knowledge and the energy to dedicate myself to the position. Thank you.

RICK BOEKESTYN

Thank you, Cathy. Bob, do you want to come up?

BOB STOREY – ADDRESSES THE MEMBERSHIP

This works pretty good for me at this height. Thanks, Rick. Greetings ladies and gentlemen, Executive Committee, Life Members, and honoured guests. Like most of you, I've spent many years volunteering in hockey. Even before raising my children I was spending many hours at the rink as a coach and a referee. My experience has spanned some 40 years as a hockey administrator, President of a league, coach, 30 years as a certified on ice official, President of the Minor Hockey Association, Referee in Chief of a league, Referee Committee member, District President, Instructor for Officiating, HCSP and Speak-Out programs, and for 10 years I served the membership as the



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Northwest District Director. During that time I became familiar with all the BC Hockey programs and have actually served as a Co-chair of the Female Development Committee for two years.

As District Director I was the driving force in the creation of the Northwest District Minor Hockey Association, the combining of two leagues. I believe my experience clearly demonstrates that I will devote the time and effort needed to complete any project as an officer.

I've been involved in other life experiences which would lend well to being an officer. I have 11 years as a Village Councillor which included budgeting and Board activities, four years as the Chair of the Community Futures Economic Development Committee, which entails strategic planning, training and budgeting. Twice I've been the Vice Chair of the Northern BC Winter Games Host Committee. I've also spent five years as the Safety Training Coordinator at my place of work and I'm currently a supervisor on a crew of 28.

I believe that seeking election as an Officer requires commitment and availability. The person should have extensive experience in the programs that BC Hockey offers and an understanding of the potential differences that exist between various districts within the Branch.

Finally, the person represents all districts and all hockey in a fair and responsible manner. In seeking election today I embrace those expectations. My promise to you is that I will devote my efforts to providing the leadership you expect of an officer of BC Hockey, Officer at Large. Thank you.

RICK BOEKESTYN

Thanks, Bob. Randy, would you like to come up again, or you've said all you've said?

RANDY HENDERSON

(Inaudible)

RICK BOEKESTYN

Okay, here we go again. On your cards, one name. Like I said, come up the middle in two lines, drop them off. Keep in mind, the person has to get 50%. And don't forget to bring your cards; three max.



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(VOTING PROCESS STARTS BY BALLOT)

Okay, last call for ballots. Going, going, gone.

RICK BOEKESTYN

Okay, I declare **Randy Henderson, Officer at Large.**

Okay, here we go. So we don't need any more speeches. So now we're voting for one person. The three remaining people are Lochie Bell, Cathy Mason, and Bob Storey. We are using number 4, so please put number 4. And again, up the middle and out the sides and you have to get 50%.

(VOTING PROCESS STARTS BY BALLOT)

Okay, for the last time, going, going, gone.

Okay, so the results are in, and the Nominating Committee congratulates, **Lochie Bell.**

RICK BOEKESTYN

Okay, thanking you for your patience, we have one position left and we have two nominees, so I would ask you on your cards under the slot of number 5, to put your choice there and then come up in the same order. If we have to have another election, then we will start ripping off little pieces of the bottom of the card.

(VOTING PROCESS STARTS BY BALLOT)

Okay, no further ballots. Balloting is closed.

RICK BOEKESTYN

Okay, the Nominating Committee is pleased to announce **Cathy Mason as your 3rd Officer.**



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Our thanks to Bob for your commitment and all you've done for hockey in the past.

Moving on to the Junior A Divisional Director, the Nominating Committee puts forward the name of John Grisdale. Is there any further nominations from the floor? For the second time, are there any further nominations from the floor? For the third time? Then **I declare, John Grisdale, Junior A Director**, or should I say, Junior A Tier 1 Director?

Okay, Junior B Director, the Nominating Committee puts forward the name of Brian Harrison. Is there any further nominations from the floor? For the second time, are there any other nominations from the floor? The third time, any nominations from the floor? Seeing none, **I declare, Brian Harrison, Junior B Director**.

Male Senior Recreational Divisional Director, the Nominating Committee brings forward the name of Mike Fraser. Are there any further nominations from the floor? For a second time, any further nominations from the floor? Third and final time? Seeing none, **I declare, Mike Fraser, New Male Senior/Recreational Divisional Director**.

Female Senior/Recreational Divisional Director, the Nominating Committee brings forth the name of Rick Kupchuk. Are there any further nominations from the floor? Second time, any nominations from the floor? Third and final time, any further nominations from the floor? Seeing none, **I declare Rick Kupchuk, New Female Senior/Recreational Divisional Director**.

Okay, Lower Mainland, we have three positions open for the Lower Mainland District Directors. The Nominating Committee brings forth the names of Dave Buck, Bonnie Cameron, and Len Cuthbert. Are there any further nominations from the floor? Second time, are there any further nominations from the floor? And for the third and final time, Chuck are you sure you don't want to get up? Third and final time, no further nominations from the floor, **I declare Dave Buck,**

Bonnie Cameron, and Len Cuthbert, Lower Mainland District Directors.

And I would like to take this opportunity to thank Richard for his dedication to BC Hockey over the last couple of years.



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Okay, for the position of North Central District Director, the Nominating Committee brings forth the names of Dawn Bursej and Bill Staats.

BILL STAATS

Mr. Chairman, my name is Bill Staats. I am withdrawing as a candidate for District Director for North Central, to save you all a ballot.

RICK BOEKESTYN

Thank you, Bill, and I commend you on your interest in joining the organization. So we bring forth then the name of Dawn Bursej. Are there any further nominations from the floor? For the second time, any other nominations from the floor? Third and final time, any further nominations from the floor? Seeing none, **I declare Dawn Bursej, New North Central District Director.**

North East/Yukon District Director, the Nominating Committee brings forth the name of Jim Chute. Are there any further nominations from the floor? Second time, any further nominations from the floor? Third time, any nominations from the floor? Seeing none, **I declare Jim Chute, North East/Yukon District Director.**

North West District Director, the Nominating Committee brings forth the name of Darryl Lerum. Are there any other nominations from the floor? For the second time, any nominations from the floor? Third and final time, any further nominations from the floor? The Nominating Committee **declares Darryl Lerum, North West District Director.**

Okanagan District Director, the Nominating Committee - there's two positions. The Nominating Committee has only received one, the name of Rory Smith. Are there any other nominations from the floor?

UNIDENTIFIED MALE VOICE

To nominate Andrew Jakubeit.

RICK BOEKESTYN



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Andrew Jakubeit has been nominated. Any other further nominations from the floor? Third and final time, are there any other nominations from the floor? Andrew, do you accept the nomination?

(ANSWER NOT PICKED UP BY MICROPHONE) – INAUDIBLE

RICK BOEKESTYN

Seeing that, then I **declare Rory Smith and Andrew Jakubeit, your 2 OMAHA District Directors.**

Vancouver Island District Director, the Nominating Committee brings forth the name of Deborah Turney. Is there any other further nominations from the floor? Any other nominations for the second time? Third and final time, any nominations from the floor? Seeing none, I **declare Deb Turney your District Director for Vancouver Island.**

East Kootenay District Director, the Nominating Committee brings forth the name of John Gillen. Are there any further nominations from the floor? Second time, any further nominations from the floor? Third and final time, any other nominations? Seeing none, I **declare John Gillen, East Kootenay District Director.**

West Kootenay District Director, the Nominating Committee brings forth the name of June McKenzie. Any further nominations from the floor? For the second time, any other nominations from the floor? The third and final time, any nominations from the floor? Seeing none, I **declare June McKenzie, West Kootenay District Director.**

RICK BOEKESTYN ADDRESSES THE MEMBERSHIP

So this is my last official duty as a member of BC Hockey. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you for your commitment to hockey and your support for myself over the past. I remember when I came to this operation 12 years ago, it doesn't seem like a very long time compared to some of the people that were here when I came. There were people like Fred Heslop, who had already been here 15 years, and Claude Skerry, if you remember Claude Skerry, he had been here 17 years. So I'd like to thank you guys for your commitment to the game, it's growth, and your support for BC Hockey and all its participants, so thank you very much.



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So I'd like to take a call to destroy the ballots. Anybody, can I have a motion to destroy the ballots – Rick Kupchuk and Randy Henderson. Well, I guess I've got to say, all those in favour? Opposed? Carried.

MOTION – TO DESTROY THE BALLOTS

MOVER – RICK KUPCHUK

SECONDER – RANDY HENDERSON

MOTION CARRIED

PRESIDENT WILF LIEFKE

Ladies and gentlemen, I'd like to present to you your BC Hockey Executive Committee for 2012/2013. I know we've got a great group of people here, I look forward to working with them all and I know they look forward to working on behalf of BC Hockey.

At this time, as is customary, the retiring President is presented with a ring. The last time I gave a woman a ring, I ended up being married for 34 years. Shannon Bell has been my mentor, confidant and friend throughout my journey with BC Hockey here, and it gives me great pleasure to present her with this.

Now we move on to the New Business in the agenda. Any new business?

NEW BUSINESS

TROY THEODORE

I'm turning the mike this way because I'm basically addressing our membership. I would like to make a short address and motion on one of the most important issues facing BC Hockey in the next couple of years, the Governance Review of BC Hockey.

There are Governance Reviews going on all over the country right now. Hockey Canada has, or is, proposing to go from a dysfunctional Board of 40 to 45 to a functioning Board of 8 or 9.



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Alberta is doing a review, and I applaud BC for making it a priority at this time in the next few years. I would like to propose that this be done by our Board, but reviewed by a non-elected body. They can do – they can do their homework to find out what's working in the rest of the reviews in Canada, and I don't think it's fair of this membership to expect our elected officers to be solely influential on the review that could and will eliminate their positions they are currently sitting in.

My motion, I move that the Governance Review of BC Hockey be reviewed by a committee appointed by BC Hockey Executive, not to include any current members of the BC Hockey Executive or staff. That is my motion.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE VOICE – NORTH DELTA (Not at microphone)

Seconded by North Delta.

PRESIDENT WILF LIEFKE

Does North Delta have a name?

GEORGE WINDSOR

Windsor.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE VOICE (Not at microphone)

George Windsor.

PRESIDENT WILF LIEFKE

Thank you. Discussion?

DISCUSSION



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PAST PRESIDENT - SHANNON BELL

I'd like to speak to this. We have brought this information on Governance Reform and change to you. You were completely unaware of it until we brought it to you. We are very aware of what is going on across the country, to the extent that as a Board member – former Board member of Hockey Canada, we have listened to what processes they went through to get to the stage where they are at. It was their Board that has driven Governance Reform and only their Board, and that means the Branch Presidents from across the country who make up the Board of Hockey Canada. They have brought in consultants, and we in turn have looked at what they are doing across the country, from Quebec to Alberta, who is doing it right now. We brought Alberta into our May meeting and they did a full presentation on what they have done and how they got to where they are. At the end of May we brought in a consultant to talk to us, to officers, Wilf, Barry, and I, as we start this process with our Executive Committee, to give us advice and counsel on the Not for Profit Act in BC. We are not experts on the Not for Profit Act, which is why we asked her to come in and had fully anticipated including her in any processes that we go through. We had discussions with our Executive and explained the rationale, why we need to look at restructuring our Board. They agreed with the first steps that we're going to take.

This is going to take several years, as we've tried to figure it out. Hockey Alberta has been at it for three or four years; it took Hockey Quebec about five. We know what our organization is. We know the roles that we perform; you, as a membership don't, because you don't sit at our tables and most of you don't know what our officers do, which is one of the things that we've talked about. We are the ones that want to look at, want to start this process, and as I said to you earlier, Troy, we fully anticipate, and we've already started this process, of bringing people in. We talked about it with our Executive at the end of May that we were going to bring someone in to talk about not only restructuring, but fiduciary duties and responsibilities of a Board, which is something you too will have to be doing, and I don't for a minute believe that your Boards consist of people that would know outside of your system what you do and would be coming in to tell you how to restrict your Board based on your own knowledge. I don't know – philosophically speaking, we've listened to you this weekend asking this group, and I'm going to be very candid, because I'm no longer President and you can't elect me. You have asked us to be leaders of this organization. You've asked us to come forward with a long term player development model, demanded it yesterday because of things that you had heard, "We want leadership from you." Then we come to you and try to bring you leadership and set direction, recognizing limitations within this organization itself, and trying to bring about



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change that is best for the organization, and also be in compliance with “Not for Profit” regulations and policies and so, the Act. This is something we have wanted to undertake. We know what we need to do. We have proposed ourselves to bring in people, a person to help us through the process before it ever gets to you, and frankly, we didn’t even have to bring this to you. We could have started the process and then brought it to you after it was almost completed, at which point you would have asked for something we would have done, which is brought in someone to make sure we’re in compliance, checks and balances. We want to go through this process again because we recognize some of the issues at this Board, is it a functioning Board in bringing the best it can be? We think it needs some adjustments and we undertook to make this change. What I’m asking you to do is to allow us, which is what I said to you, Troy, to allow us the first stages in going through process. Nothing can be done; these are Bylaw changes without your approval, but to demand somebody to come in, an independent body to come in that has no knowledge of our structure or what we do at this stage as we’re just embarking down the road doesn’t make sense to me. You have the control, just as I mentioned at Hockey Canada, that the branch Presidents and the Committee Chairs are the ones that make the decisions on what will happen at Governance. They’re given a full on presentation, which is what you will get before you approve anything. So I actually ask you not to support this.

TROY THEODORE

Rebuttal. Everything that I have said in here, you just repeated to me. You said that you’re bringing people in, right?

PAST PRESIDENT SHANNON BELL

You’ve asked for an independent body to do this.

TROY THEODORE

I’ve asked for a committee appointed by BC Hockey Executive.

PAST PRESIDENT SHANNON BELL

That shall not be Executive members or staff.



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TROY THEODORE

Right. Now this committee will review this. It could be reviewed in two years time. If you're not done until four years down the road, it can be reviewed you then. I'm not asking you to do it today. I'm asking you....

PAST PRESIDENT SHANNON BELL

Okay, then I gave you a needless lecture then, if that's the case. So let me clarify, you're asking for an independent – what do you mean by an independent body? Do you not think that one consultant who knows what is required of a Board that can come in and look at – which is what we actually did, as I mentioned, to look at it and say, "You have met the requirements." Our District Directors then come back to you at your AGM's, or your meetings, and tell you what is going on, your presentations will be done. Does that suffice?

TROY THEODORE

Well, basically, I would like you to appoint a committee and on that committee....

PAST PRESIDENT SHANNON BELL

Well we have a.....

TROY THEODORE

And on that committee I would like to have the North represented, I would like to have the East, the West, and the South represented. I think that the four corners of our province should be represented on that committee and they should be chosen according to their knowledge of hockey in this province.

PAST PRESIDENT SHANNON BELL

Well that's an independent body then, if that's what you're asking for, and that's what I'm telling you.

TROY THEODORE



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Oh, exactly. You know what, I don't want you to go out of the hockey world to get this independent review, why would we ever do that? All I want is to have somebody looking out for our interests as a membership.

PAST PRESIDENT SHANNON BELL

Okay, well let me – before you continue on that. We have a Governance Committee. That Governance Committee is comprised of people that do – an example, we had people who were not on our Board last year who sit on that Governance Committee, and that is what Wilf's task will be as the President, is to assign a Governance Committee. Our policy or Regulation states who sits on that committee, I believe, does it not? But we do pick people who are not on our existing Board. We had past people from our organization sitting on it last year, a former person from the Okanagan, someone from Vancouver Island.

TROY THEODORE

Then why is this a problem?

PAST PRESIDENT SHANNON BELL

Well if it's already there, why are you putting the motion in?

TROY THEODORE

I'm putting the motion in so that it is in our books that it is basically mandatory of you to do that, and you know what, I don't think that – if you're already doing it, then – then why is it a problem for us to vote on it right now and put it through?

CHUCK CAMPBELL

That's not what they're doing. Excuse me for one moment. There seems to be some confusion here as to the stage at which your review would take place. I think we're all in support of what BC Hockey is doing within the review process that's currently established. That process needs to go through



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exactly as is taking place. It's appropriate that that review be done by the Executive, by the staff, and by the consultants that they bring in. At the same time, I think what the motion proposes is that there be an additional committee, which once that review is complete, looks at that review before it goes to the plenary session of this meeting and has people who have the opportunity to take a little bit more time and get knowledgeable about what's happening in the other Districts or Branches within Canada, that can have a look at this and be in a position to provide some feedback to the Executive, and also provide some feedback to the membership at such time as the proposals come on the table. That's not the same thing as in any way being involved in the review as the review takes place, which I think should be done as you have it planned. But I do think that it's unrealistic to expect that every member of the BC Hockey becomes equally familiar with what's going on in all the other Branches and equally familiar with the detailed knowledge necessary of what the Executive is doing, to be able to do an independent appraisal of the work that's being done and to have a look at the proposals, especially when there is an inherent conflict in the Executive doing the review. I don't disagree the Executive should do the review. I think it's great that you're involving outside people, but that's not what this is. This is a proposal for a completely independent committee to act as a go-between to look at the review, to study it on behalf of the membership, and then to be able to comment when it comes forward from the Executive in the form of Bylaw changes proposed perhaps two years, three years, four years down the line. Nothing needs to happen about this in the – if I understand what Troy's proposing, nothing needs to happen about this in the short term. We need to get it on the record and at some point before implementation proposals come forward, the Committee should look at this on behalf of the membership, and I think that's what's intended.

PAST PRESIDENT SHANNON BELL

So your suggestion is, or your motion is, prior to the completion of and before presentation to the membership for a Bylaw change, is that what this is?

TROY THEODORE

That's right, correct. That's correct.

PAST PRESIDENT SHANNON BELL

Are you not satisfied with the Governance Committee doing the review?



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CHUCK CAMPBELL

I think that the – one has to understand that, with the best of intention, there's an inherent conflict in asking people to undertake a study, the results of which might be to eliminate their own positions. I think it's worthwhile that we have someone look at this before it goes forward to the membership, that's all I'm saying.

PAST PRESIDENT SHANNON BELL

I understand that, Chuck, that's not what I'm saying. I'm saying, the Governance Committee does have a makeup of people who don't sit on our Board. Is that – does that not suffice?

CHUCK CAMPBELL

No, the Governance Committee is a combination, as I understand it, of members of the Executive...

PAST PRESIDENT SHANNON BELL

Yes.

CHUCK CAMPBELL

...staff, and those outside the Board, it's a combination. It's not – it's not an independent committee of those outside.

PAST PRESIDENT SHANNON BELL

Okay.

PRESIDENT WILF LIEFKE



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And again, Chuck, I think the difficulty, or the challenge there is getting an independent Board that knows what the Chair of Minor does, or the Chair of High Performance, or the Senior Director, or the Junior Director. So Shannon has spent the last four years at Hockey Canada meetings talking with other Branches and I think just in this last year has maybe got a good understanding of what's gone on. Now we're going to task an independent body, and that's what the difficulty here is, is when we're talking about an independent body, is independent of what?

BARRY PETRACHENKO

Chuck, if I may, just on the wording of that point and the point that you just made, the wording of the motion is, if I remember it correctly, we might be able to do this in a way that appeases everyone, in the sense, that the Governance Committee does not have a requirement of Board members on it, so this body could ask, or motion, that the Governance Committee be tasked with that review, which they really already do because they take Resolutions; this would result in Resolutions ultimately, and they review them and vet them before they get to the membership. So if you wanted to make a direction that the Governance Committee for the coming season not have a member of the Executive Committee....

CHUCK CAMPBELL

It's impractical to suggest that it be done without having members of the Executive Committee and the staff on the committee. As Shannon and Wilf have said, quite eloquently and quite correctly, we rely on your knowledge to be able to put this together. What I'm saying is, and I'm not – wasn't the person who proposed this, but I think it's a good idea, I think that in addition to the tremendous amount of knowledge that we have, that we – before the proposals come forward we should have some additional review done. To suggest that there are not people, former members of the Executive, for example, and others, who are in a position to either understand now what people are doing, or to pick it up relatively quickly, I think is underestimating the abilities that the membership have. I don't see that this is impractical. I don't think it should interfere with the processes going on at the moment, but I think it would be a desirable step to put it in between the completion of the review being conducted by the BC Executive and the tabling of Resolutions before the plenary sessions of the Annual General Meetings.

BARRY PETRACHENKO



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I understand that, Chuck, and I agree with you that it's a good process. That's what I was saying, that the current motion actually is worded in such a way that sets out a committee to do the review. If you go back to the wording of the motion, that has to be adjusted was my point, otherwise it came across as saying that this independent group had to do the Governance review, that was my only point.

CHUCK CAMPBELL

That was never the intent.

TROY THEODORE

Would you like me to re-read the review, or the motion?

"I move that the Governance review of BC Hockey be reviewed by a committee appointed by BC Hockey."

So your review is being reviewed.

CHUCK CAMPBELL

Add the words to say, "**The report of the Governance review be reviewed by...**", and that will solve the problem. There is no intention that this take the place of the review committee that's been established by BC Hockey.

BARRY PETRACHENKO

That's right, if you add that, that would take care of it.

TROY THEODORE

We're – we're not asking for the – to conduct the review, I will add the word "**report**".

CHUCK CAMPBELL



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Yeah. Okay, that's a friendly amendment.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE VOICE (Not at microphone)

I accept the friendly amendment.

JEFF POTOROKA – ABBOTSFORD MINOR HOCKEY

So maybe Chuck and Troy are getting to what my point is. First, I'm going to apologize. I don't know enough about this issue to really get into the debate, but it seems to me as if what Troy is asking for is maybe some membership oversight. So if the Governance Committee is able to invite onto that committee people who represent the membership and can, as you say, report back and be our – not litigator, I'm just trying to search for that word – our advocate, is that something – is that what you're looking for, Troy? Are you looking for just....

PAST PRESIDENT SHANNON BELL

I think Troy is – I think we've got it sorted....

TROY THEODORE (Not at microphone) (Some inaudible words)

No, we're not asking to join the Governance Committee. We're asking that before the report is brought to us that it is reviewed by a committee appointed by the Board of non-elected Board members and staff.

JEFF POTOROKA

Fair enough, but what I heard Chuck say was that once this review is done, and it seems it a very important review, then a council would look at that and then report to us. Well sometimes putting that review together is important as well, to understand how it was done, how – you know, how they reached their conclusion, and so maybe a little bit of oversight by the membership on that Governance Committee is a good idea.



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PAST PRESIDENT SHANNON BELL

Troy, can you read what you have, and Chuck's addition or amendment?

TROY THEODORE

"I move that the Governance Review of BC Hockey be reviewed by..." – or the Governance Report, is that correct, Chuck?

CHUCK CAMPBELL

That's right.

TROY THEODORE

"I move that the Governance Report of BC Hockey be reviewed by a committee appointed by BC Hockey Executive, not to include any current member of the BC Hockey Executive or staff."

PAST PRESIDENT SHANNON BELL

And that's prior to presentation....

TROY THEODORE

Prior to presentation to our membership.

PAST PRESIDENT SHANNON BELL

Or prior to Resolution.

TROY THEODORE



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Right, prior to Resolution.

PAST PRESIDENT SHANNON BELL

Prior to Resolution, okay, all right.

TROY THEODORE

Right, prior to Resolution.

PRESIDENT WILF LIEFKE

Can we treat Chuck's amendment to Troy's...

CHUCK CAMPBELL

It's in there now.

PRESIDENT WILF LIEFKE

...as a friendly amendment, and it's moved and seconded. Any other discussion? Hearing none, all in favour? Opposed? Carried.

MOTION AS AMENDED – The Governance Report of BC Hockey be reviewed by a committee appointed by BC Hockey Executive, not to include any current member of the BC Hockey Executive or staff.

MOVER – TROY THEODORE

SECONDER – GEORGE WINDSOR

FRIENDLY AMENDMENT – CHUCK CAMPBELL

MOTION CARRIED

PRESIDENT WILF LIEFKE



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Any other items for new business?

BILL VEENSTRA – VANCOUVER THUNDERBIRD

Just a few points I wanted to raise about the way we run our AGM. This is my first time at a BC Hockey AGM, but I've been to more than my share of other non-profit organization AGM's of various sizes and shapes. One thing that I looked for and I couldn't find anywhere was an agenda for their plenary sessions, something that sets out the order of business, and almost every AGM I've been at, the first order of business is to adopt the AGM as circulated, and I think that's something that we should be doing. And I think the Executive should be looking at the agenda in advance. I haven't read our Bylaws, but I assume that every Executive has the power to structure the agenda in the way that it thinks will be accomplish the business of the meetings, set it up in a way to allow us to focus our debates and deal with things fully but efficiently. And I think the Executive could, if you put some effort into that, make things run a lot more smoothly. You could group the Resolutions together, have all the senior and junior ones in one area at one point, all the Minor ones at some other point, whatever. There's lots of ways you could do it, and I think some effort in that regard would allow us to be a lot more efficient. There were a lot of rumours floating around before as to when the vote on budget was going to take place. I know at least one Association thought it was going to be later in the weekend and didn't come on Friday and missed out. So you know, I think if we had an agenda in advance, we knew what was going to happen we'd be a lot better off.

Second thing that occurred to me....

PRESIDENT WILF LIEFKE

Can we just address the first point that you made? In the proceedings there's a list of agenda items in there. You're asking for the specific meeting agenda items?

BILL VEENSTRA

Yeah. The Schedule of Events says that the Plenary will be in this room at so and so a time and that's all it says. Normally you'd have "Adoption of Agenda, Adoption of Minutes", you know, so and so Resolution, so and so speaker, presentation of – you know, you'd have the order.



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BARRY PETRACHENKO

That order of business is in our Bylaws, and we have followed that same order of business for a number of years. We did have an amendment to it last year or the year before from the floor and dealt with that. And I appreciate what you're saying, because I think because we've done it that way and followed that order of business for so many years, for newcomers, they wouldn't know that that's the order that we're going to go in, and I think that's a point well taken and easily enough to do to build into our AGM proceedings booklet, if that's the extent of what you're looking for. Just to make the note, though, that we do follow that order of business as stipulated in our Bylaw, until such time as the membership changes that order of the business on the floor.

CHUCK CAMPBELL

Barry, this actually is the first meeting in some time when we did not have an agenda adopted at the Friday evening session at the beginning of the session. In the past there has been an agenda put forward and one of the first Resolutions has been the adoption of the agenda, and this year it was missed out, but it should be put back in again.

BARRY PETRACHENKO

I think it was in the script. I think maybe we may have missed that adoption of the agenda; we could check the minutes to confirm, but if we did that was just an oversight.

PAST PRESIDENT SHANNON BELL

Chuck, why didn't you pick that up on Friday night?

BILL VEENSTRA

I think you also want to have – you also want to have the agenda circulated in advance. My experience, most Bylaws have, you know, the usual order of business shall be, but there are words that give wiggle of room, and I haven't looked at your Bylaws, but I would invite the Executive to be creative in how they structure these things so that we can be the most efficient.



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The second thing that occurs to me is speakers. If you're going to bring in really high quality speakers on matters of general interest to people in hockey and in BC, put them in plenary, break things up a little bit. You know, have a bunch of Resolutions, then have a star speaker, and then move on. You know, to lump things in a committee on the Saturday morning that only a quarter of us are going to show up to when you're spending money to bring in top notch people is a waste – you know, it's a bit of a waste. So, the other thing that I've seen – so I've seen that done at AGM's and I've seen often the keynote speakers will be at lunch or dinner.

I think our lunches and dinners are already pretty fully booked right at this meeting, so that's why I'm saying maybe during the plenary sessions. And you know, tailor the agenda so that we hear important speakers if they relate to a matter on the agenda before we decide that matter on the agenda.

Resolutions, the third point, can we not have the District Directors get together with BC Hockey before the plenary session. If they want clarification, get the clarification. If there's wording to be hammered out, hammer it out before the plenary session. If there's a real issue that can't be resolved in that hammering out meeting, then by all means bring it to the plenary, but you know, have people prepared to argue both sides of the issue and then we can decide, but I think we lost a lot of time on Friday night just asking for clarification when that could have happened beforehand, and by the time we got the Body Checking Resolution we were exhausted, the food was outside, we didn't even want to talk. So that's – you know, I think we can be a lot more efficient if we do some hammering out beforehand.

And the fourth thing, can we rethink our voting procedures where there's multiple in an election. I've never seen this system where you vote one at a time, and it's got to be – if you looked for the most inefficient way to do a vote, this would be it. You know, I know it will require change to our Bylaws but hopefully for next year we can find a better way for when we have three positions for Officer at Large, or District Director, we have a ballot where you put in your top three names. It will take a bit longer in the counting but the overall process will be a lot shorter. Those are my thoughts.

BARRY PETRACHENKO

On that last point we have addressed that issue of the voting, specifically in the last couple of years. Believe it or not, we have streamlined it from what we used to have, and I think it's an excellent point.



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The challenge I would throw out there, though, is that some direction is needed there beyond your comments, because in order to do that we would have to specify in our Bylaws that we wanted to give that ability to vote for multiple persons on the same ballot, and if that's the direction of the membership we need to be told that so that those changes can either be brought forward by the Governance Committee, or I invite the entire membership to bring those changes forward as a Resolution at a future AGM so that we can address that voting issue.

PRESIDENT WILF LIEFKE

Thank you. Any other new items? The 2013 BC Hockey Annual General Meeting will take place at the Delta Sun Peaks in Kamloops, and it will be – this is a bit of a change here – the 7th to the 9th, 2013, so mark those on your calendars.

Do I have a motion to adjourn the 93rd BC Hockey AGM?

VANNA ACHTEM – PACIFIC COAST

Vanna Achtem.

PRESIDENT WILF LIEFKE

Achtem, Pacific Coast. Dave Beatty, second. All those in favour? Opposed?

MOTION – TO ADJOURN 93rd BC HOCKEY AGM

MOVER – VANNA ACHTEM

SECONDER – DAVE BEATTIE

MOTION CARRIED (NOT STATED)

Thank you very much, and have a safe trip home.

***** MEETING CONCLUDED 11:35 a.m. *****



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