



## Annual General Meeting Minutes

Thornhill Community Centre  
Friday, April 16, 2010  
6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

1. Call to order
  - Dinner served at 6:40 p.m. Meeting called to order at 7:15 p.m.
  - In attendance: Tracy Stewart, Joanne Moore, Joanna Kubasta, Beth Crichton, Melissa Loney, Dana Welsh, Wendy Nye, Nicole Cortese, Jennifer Ashbee, Tara Pyatt, Catherine Sohl, Kathy Jorgenson, Sharilyn Dyck, Mary Blair, Andrea James, Jackie Deschenes, Anne Mamy
  - Absent: Sheri Krauss, Tanya Nesterenko, Dawn Bovingdon, Christine Simone, Jennifer Forget, Linda Shully, Sandra Fahey, Marilyn Abbs, Lisa O'Bonsawin, Julie Argouin, Lisa Callaghan, Michelle Lawson-Peacock
2. Adoption of Minutes of previous AGM and general meetings held since the previous Annual meeting
  - Joanne motioned for the minutes to be accepted; Melissa seconded the motion.
3. Business arising out of minutes
  - Nothing brought forward.
4. The President's Report
  - Andrea presented the President's Report in lieu of Sheri's absence.
  - Andrea spoke of the many successes of the Executive this season as outlined in Sheri's full written report. These successes included the Trillium Grant, new jerseys, referees and timekeepers, league merchandise, new tournament team, and strengthening relationships between league members.
  - Executive will work to acquire new members, enhance financial tracking systems (due to additional tracking requirements of Trillium), be transparent for members, and increase socialization of members to ensure everyone in the league gets to know each other.

---Joanna asked is what would happen next year if there were enough players for 3 teams. Andrea responded that we will have to face that when the time comes but at this point it will probably not be a problem for next year.

#### 5. The Treasurer's Report

--- The league expenses this year were \$12,439.63. The league brought in \$12,748.02 this year.

--- Sharilyn reported that there will be \$408.99 in the bank for the beginning of next season. This is important as it will be used for the first ice payment in September.

---Sharilyn also reported that there will be a fee increase of \$45 this year to account for the potential ice rental increase and the HST. The fees will go from \$430 to \$475. There will be several payment options available to members:

Option 1 for 2 hour players: \$100 cheque at AGM, \$200 cheque for Sept. 17, and \$175 cheque for Jan. 1, 2011.
Option 1 for 1 hour players: \$100 cheque at AGM, \$100 cheque for Sept. 17, and \$100 cheque for Jan. 1, 2011.
Option 2 for 2 hour players: \$300 cheque for Sept. 17, and \$175 cheque for Jan. 1, 2011.
Option 2 for 1 hour players: \$200 cheque for Sept. 17 and \$100 cheque for Jan. 1, 2011.
Option 3 for 2 hour players: \$475 cheque at AGM or Sept. 17
Option 1 for 1 hour players: \$300 cheque at AGM or Sept. 17

--- Sharilyn also reported that the league will be offering a Refer-A-Friend program this year. If a league member brings out a new player who registers and pays for the year, the league member will get a cheque for \$50.00.

--- The league will be starting earlier next year on October 1 and will have 18 weeks of ice.

#### 6. The Secretary's Report

--- Anne reported that the Executive met 9 times this year, including two half-day sessions. All minutes are available on the website.

--- An accurate email list of current league members was compiled at the start of the season to aid in league communications.

--- An email list of potential players for next year has also been compiled for

recruitment based on emails sent to the website and former players.

--- There were two teams this year. Planning is already underway for next year's teams but that is largely dependent on how many players the league registers.

#### 7. The Marketing and Fundraising Report

--- Jackie reported on her many successes this year including the website as a recruitment tool. Website visits are up by 120%. The website is also a useful tool for league members to check stats, the league calendar, photos, tournament information, meeting minutes, and important information.

--- Jackie also reported on the addition of a Twitter account this year.

--- She mentioned the use of free publications that MWRA uses to publicize the league.

--- League merchandise was made available this year at the request of the membership.

--- Hockey pools and Oscar ballots fundraised \$566 this year. The league will run similar fundraisers next year.

-- Dates were given for the family bbq (June 19), fall registration (Sept. 17), first ice date for next year (Oct. 1), and holiday social (Dec. 17).

--- Jackie finished by noting that she will not be back to the league next season on the Executive or as a regular player due to work commitments.

#### 8. The Vice-President's Report

--- Andrea presented information on the Trillium Grant to league members. The proposal submitted by the league was successful; therefore MWRA will have \$9600 to put towards two sets of goalies equipment, two sets of player equipment, shot clocks, and rings.

#### 9. The Equipment Manager's Report

--- Mary reported that she will be starting to purchase equipment for MWRA with the Trillium Grant money in May. She has until August 1, 2010 to submit a report to Trillium regarding the purchases.

--- Mary also reminded members to pick up their cheques from her for the jersey deposits done in October. She is only missing one jersey at this time from Tanya N.

#### 10. Cougars Team Representative Report

--- Kathy reported that the Cougars had a successful season this year. This year they amassed two silver medals and three gold medals.

--- This year the Cougars participated in two new tournaments in Kitchener and

St. Catherines.

--- The Cougars also had two goalies out this year on a regular basis: Tanya Boge and Lisa O'Bonsawin.

#### 11. Magic Team Representative Report

--- Sharilyn thanked Dana for designing the Markham Magic logo.

--- She reported that the Magic participated in three tournaments this year. In Newmarket, the Magic played in their first tournament together. In Ottawa, the Magic made it to the semi-finals. Their third tournament of the year was the Adult Challenge Cup in Hamilton where they won the "Open Rec. Final".

#### 12. Constitution and By-law Amendments

--- Andrea and Anne notified members that there were some amendments needed to the constitution around the specific mention of the tournament teams by name. Because a new team can be started at any time by league members, the specific names need to be removed from the constitution in certain places and revisions need to be made in others. There was no opposition to the proposed amendments to the Constitution. Tracy motioned for the revised Constitution to be accepted and Joanne seconded the motion.

#### 13. Election of next year's Board of Directors

--- Jennifer A. reported that no one, other than Andrea, Kathy, and Sharilyn had emailed her to put their name forward for any of the Executive positions up for election so she asked for nominations from the floor. No one came forward.

--- Andrea was awarded the position of President, Kathy was awarded the position of Vice-President, and Sharilyn was awarded the position of Treasurer by acclamation.

--- The decision was made, after discussion with members, to leave the position of Marketing and Fundraising vacant. Several members agreed to help out next year with various projects and assignments but no one was able to fully commit the time needed to take on all roles of the position. Therefore, it was decided that the Executive would ask for help next year when needed for marketing and fundraising initiatives.

#### 14. New Business

--- Melissa Loney will be let the Executive know before next season whether or not she would like to be put on the goalie list (to play in for one hour and out for the other hour).

#### 15. Awards Presentations

--- Andrea and Kathy presented award certificates to the following people:

MVP Fantom: Tracy Stewart

MVP Fierce: Joanne Moore

Rookie of the Year: Tara Pyatt

Spirit Award: Wendy Nye

Special Recognition: Sheri Krauss, Jackie Deschenes, Wendy Nye, Chris Lund, Martin Little, Mike Wood, Tod Bovingdon, and Veronica Lawson-Peacock.

#### 16. Adjournment

--- Beth motioned the meeting be adjourned and Tracy seconded the motion.

--- Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.