

Bow River Bruins Hockey Association

2021 Annual General Meeting



June 9, 2021 7:30 pm



1. Call to Order



2. Agenda

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2. Approval of Agenda
3. Virtual Meeting Procedure
4. Approval of minutes of AGM held on (May 30th, 2019 - no AGM in 2020)
5. Introduction of current Board Members
6. Acclaimed positions
7. Election of Community Officers
8. President's Report
9. Presentation of (2020 and 2021) Member Audited Financial Statements
10. Election Results
11. Questions
12. Other business
13. Adjournment



3. Virtual Meeting Procedure

- Please make sure correct participant name is entered in zoom (use rename feature)
- Keep muted
- Use the chat feature in Zoom to ask a question or type “I have a question” to be unmuted
- Show of hand votes will be done using the “raise hand” feature
- Election of Community Officers will be done with Survey Monkey



4. Approval of 2019 AGM minutes



5. Introductions

2020-2021 Board

Community Officer	Laurence Broos
Community Officer	Tracy Hodgson
Community Officer	Dave Ewanchyna
Community Officer	John Quinn
Community Officer	Ian Munn
Community Officer	Marco Colonna
Community Officer	Kevin Courchesne

Secretary	Konni Blais
Treasurer	Shauna Walsh Cann
2nd Vice President	Bruce Weatherdon
1st Vice President	Kealy Lambert
President	Craig Kipkie

Administrator

Lesley Hylands



6. Acclaimed Positions

- 2nd VP - Bruce Weatherdon
- Treasurer - Laurence Broos



7. Election of Community Officers

- Tracy Hodgson
- Scott Doyle
- Jesse Ferguson
- Jenn Ahlers
- Jim Katsilieris
- Jesse Church



7. Election of Community Officers

Voting Procedure

- Should have an email from Lesley with Survey Monkey link
- Enter player name for each ballot
- One ballot for each player registered this past season
- Vote on ballot for up to 5 candidates
- Submit ballot(s)
- If you don't have the email or you are having any issues, please direct message to Lesley in chat.
- Polls will be open for approximately 5 minutes



8. President's Report

- 2020-2021 Year in Review
- Boundary Review Update
- 2021-2022 Season



2020-2021 Year in Review

1. Return to Hockey
2. Player Development
3. Coach Development
4. Bruins Community



Return to Hockey Overview

Age Group Coordinators

U7 - Timbits On-ice	Scott Doyle
U7 - Timbits Off-ice	Christina Hildebrandt
U9	Shannon Phillips
U11	Tracy Hodgson
U13	Lindsay Kufflick
U15	Tracy Dickie
U18	Caren Steele & Miranda Specht



Return to Hockey Overview

Four phases in Return to Hockey:

- Preparation Phase (August)
- Evaluation/Sorting Phase (September)
- Development Phase (October – November)
- Regular Season Phase (November – March)
 - Lock down Nov. 15 to Feb. 15
 - Replaced with Winter Development Program



Evaluation Phase

Evaluation Phase had 3 Stages:

- Pre-seeding
- 3 Skills based evaluations
- 2 Cohort games based evaluations

Balanced mini-teams for Development Phase



Development Phase Feedback

- Great coaching led to more development
- Initially felt like there were too many players but coaches successfully adapted practice plans
- Lots of ice also helped with development
- Lower mini-team sizes meant more game time
- Players enjoyed playing with and against friends
- Some challenges refereeing the older age groups
- Some scheduling issues



Cohort to Regular Teams

- No new evaluations done in November
- Coaches used mini-games/practices to do coach picks
- Goaltenders continued to be evaluated by Evolution
- Once teams selected, second lock-down occurred
- When lock-down opened, quickly pivoted to run the Winter Development Program (WDP)



WDP Highlights

- 378 players and goalies “Opted In”
- Program run on a break-even basis
- Partnered with professional coaches for superior experience (DASH/Evolution)
- Allowed Bowness Sportsplex to remain open
- Sell out allowed us to reduce fees
- Kids happy to be on ice with friends!



Player Development

Development Programs

- Evaluation Prep Camps (player and goalie)
- Summer Friday Night Hockey Academy
- Timbits Monday Night Academy
- NDL + ADL
- Friday Night Hockey Academy
- Wednesday Night Goalie Training Sessions
- Evolution hosted 2 virtual goalie + goalie parent seminars.



Player Development

Development Programs

- Evaluation Prep Camps (player and goalie)
- Dryland Program
 - U13, U15 and U18 all went out to DASH Training for their dryland programs
 - U9 and U11 held their dryland at the Viperdome and DASH Training prepared a year-long program with coach training
 - Virtual Dash Training sessions during shut down
- U15 Checking Clinics - 2 sessions for each U15 player, each run by the team at Dangle Show Hockey



Coach Development

- Two Pre-season Coach roundtable sessions
- Two rounds of coach selection (after evals and November)
- Coach Mentorship Program
 - U7 (Timbits) with SDR and Monday Night Academy
 - U9 through U18 saw several nights of online coach mentorship launch events
 - Coach Mentors (John and Gary) were assigned to various Cohort Groups and front loaded visits



Coach Development

- Dryland Training (U9 and U11)
- On-ice Coaching Clinics
 - Puck Smart – skating, puck control
 - Dangle Hockey Show—scheduled sessions cancelled
- In-House Coach 1 Clinic
- Virtual Goalie Coach Clinic
 - 3 sessions hosted by Evolution
- Additional Coaching Support
 - SDR – U9,U11 practice planning , P3 Goalie help, and Pinnacle Hockey for U18 – Cohort 3



Bruin's Community

2nd Annual Bow River Boost Program hosted a food drive for the Veterans Food Bank of Calgary



Boundary Update

Guiding Principle

The creation of two equitable and sustainable hockey programs in Northwest Calgary.

- Two associations with a range between 900-1100 players each. Size is based on Hockey Calgary Operations Council directive.
- Diversity in community ages.
- Equitable access to ice in order to reduce drive times for families.



Boundary Update

Current status

- No discussion between Crowfoot, NWW, or Bow River during 2020-2021 season
- October 1, 2020 date to come to an agreed upon solution lapsed
- An independent arbitrator was NOT contracted to resolve the dispute and facilitate an agreement.
- Hockey Calgary decide to wait for a decision on pending lawsuit filed by a Glen Lake community – a decision has still not been made.
- Hockey Calgary has proposed updates to their bylaws to provide more clarity on boundary decision authority – will be voted on at Hockey Calgary AGM (June 15, 2021)
- No changes for at least two seasons unless mutually agreed upon by the 3 associations



2021-2022 Season

1. Planning for normal hockey season
2. U13AA moves to NWCAA
3. U11 Pathway
 - No evaluations until after September long weekend
 - Four required development skates before evaluations
 - Hybrid goalies (can be both a goalie and player if they meet a specific criteria)
 - Designated development phases, seasonal breaks, and game and tournament maximums
 - No provincials (Hockey Alberta decision)



2021-2022 Season

3. Hockey Calgary league structure changes

- Shortened 'Seeding Round' – 2-4 less games depending on Age Category. Reduced to 4 weeks (5 weekends) in duration. No schedule window provided for tournaments.
- Longer 'Regular Season' – 2-4 more games depending on Age Category. More meaningful Games in League Play as season starts early December
- 7-9 Tournament Windows/Weekends available over course of season



2021-2022 Season

4. Bow River Registration will open July 1
 - New Board will decide on fee structure
 - Option for payments until September 15
 - Option to make a donation to Bow River families that may need registration help (based on FESP qualifications).
5. Bow River will continue to expand player and coach development programs
 - Expanded pre-camp season
 - Coach 1 clinic for the U15/U18 aged kids



9. (2020 and 2021) Member Audited Financial Statements

- Motion to accept financials



10. Election Results

- Tracy Hodgson
- Scott Doyle
- Jesse Ferguson
- Jenn Ahlers
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11. Questions?



12. Other Business



13. Adjournment

