The meeting was called to order at 7:10pm. Dennis Meston welcomed the members to the Annual General Meeting of the East Lambton Minor Hockey Association.

**1.** **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

*A motion was made by Scott Cran to accept the agenda and seconded by Graham McLean.*

**CARRIED**

**2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

*Adrian VanHoof made a motion to accept the minutes of the 2013 Annual General Meeting held Wednesday May 1, 2013 as presented and seconded by Mike Rops.*

**CARRIED**

1. **REPORTS FROM ASSOCIATION ACTIVITES FROM THE PREVIOUS YEARS**
   1. **TREASURERS REPORT**

Jeff Sawyer presented the financial report.

The fiscal year of the East Lambton Minor Hockey Association according to the Bylaws is May 31.

**Balance Sheet**

**Cash**

At the start of the new fiscal year cash on hand was $105174.00.

**Guaranteed Investment**

ELMHA currently holds $125000.00 in GIC’s.

**Capital Assets**

Computers, shirts etc is currently at $1005.00

**Accounts Payable**

$3290 at time of balance sheet

**Statement of Operations**

Total Revenue is $259665.

Total Expenses is $220376.

This brings ELMHA’s surplus for the year to $30289.

Net Assets at the beginning of the year was $192600 and at the end of the year ELMHA’s net assets were $222889.

D.Meston thanked Jeff Sawyer for the presentation outlining the financial status of ELMHA.

*Jen Dolbear-McRoberts made a motion to accept the treasurer’s report as presented and seconded by Eugene Levasseur.*

**CARRIED**

* 1. **OMHA**

Frank Sweeney was unable to attend the meeting. Dennis Meston presented the report for Frank Sweeney. Peewee, Bantam and Midget all went to ¼ finals in OMHA.

* 1. **SHAMROCK LEAGUE**

Frank Sweeney is also the rep for shamrock. Dennis Meston mentioned that Frank was staying on the shamrock board for the upcoming season.

* 1. **LAMBTON MIDDLESEX REPORT**

Bob Taylor presented the report for the Lambton Middlesex League. He shared with the members that ELMHA had 8 teams compete in this league; teams did well and had successful seasons. ELMHA did not receive any fines this past season. Bob commented that all the coaches did a great job at rescheduling their games.

**3.4 ONTARIO WOMEN’S HOCKEY ASSOCIATION REPORT**

Phil Deschamps, the rep for OWHA shared with the members that the peewees played for a bronze medal at Provincials. Phil will be attending the AGM May 10, 2014.

* 1. **WESTERN ONTARIO GIRLS HOCKEY LEAGUE REPORT**

Phil Deschamps presented his report for The Western Ontario Girls Hockey League. He reported that ELMHA had a total of 4 teams. Phil commented that WHOGL is doing a good job at grouping comparable teams. All 4 teams played for a league championship with the midget girls winning gold. Phil announced that anyone requiring information or forms signed for the girls is to contact him.

P. Deschamps also mentioned new rules for 2014/15 season. Mouth guards will no longer be recommended but will now be required. The parent version of respect in sports will become required, same as OMHA.

1. **Appointment of Accountant for Next Year**

Dennis Meston had explained to the members that the agenda’s outline is the agenda that was set out by the executive and adopted in the bylaws. Last year a motion was made for the accountant to be decided on by the executive. Motion was:

*Marilyn Jones motioned for the board to decide which accountant will be used and whether an auditor’s report should be done or a notice of assessment, after they receive the invoice from BDO. The motion was seconded by Jackie Rombouts.*

**A motion to accept last year’s motion for this year was made by John Couwenberg and seconded by Karen Cook. CARRIED**

**Bob Bressette motioned ELMHA to amend the agenda and remove 4.0 Receipt and Acceptance of Accountant’s Report and 5.0 Appointment of Accountant for Next Year. The motion was seconded by John McAllister. CARRIED**

1. **PLANNED ACTIVITIES OF THE ASSOCIATION**

Dennis Meston told everyone that ELMHA had asked what they would like to see brought to the players and power skating was one. Power skating was run once a week for most of the season with a good turnout. Goalie clinics as well were run and attendance was good. Dennis Meston announced that it would remain as status quo.

1. **OTHER BUSINESS**
   1. **Respect in Sports –** Dennis Meston asked Paul Moffatt to touch base on the course. Paul Moffatt addressed the members and stated it is mandatory for all to take this course. It is not the same as the coaches’ course. This course is for the parents and is to be done online. In order for your child to be rostered to a team a parent must complete the course. Jen Dolbear-McRoberts questioned if this is a onetime deal or parents will be required to do this every year. Paul Moffatt mentioned it would be a life time course. He mentioned as well to print off your card at the end to have for proof.
   2. **Registration –** Dennis Meston shared the current registration numbers with the members. Dennis asked those at the meeting who have not registered were to see Rhonda Straatman following the meeting. The online registration had went well. Rhonda Straatman mentioned that approximately 220 kids had been registered and only 10 had had issues with the new system.
   3. **Juvenile/Intermediate Teams –** It was mentioned by D.Meston that last season ELMHA had to fold a team. Since that had happened the ELMHA executive passed a motion that ELMHA will run a juvenile or intermediate team if the team has 15 skaters plus a goalie by the scheduling meetings.
   4. **Coaches Evaluations –** Paul Moffatt let everyone know that the parent reps and coaches were to ask parents to fill in coaches evaluations. Paul commented that we are not getting them. The more information we get the better. A concern from a few parents was that at the top of the form it states the coaches will see this form. This concerns parents and they are worried how that effects their kids the following season etc. Paul ensured them this is not the case and will look at the form.
   5. **Dance –** Tracey Dorman addressed the group and stated that the dance is Saturday August 9th this year. The signup sheet and tickets are at the back of the room and you can sign up before you leave. The tickets are to be handed in before the day of the dance and must be in no later than August 8th. Drop off locations are at Three Maples – Alvinston, Wilson Shell – Watford or Tracey Dorman.
2. **ELECTION OF THE BOARD**

Dennis announced those whose terms had expired.

WARD 1: WARD 2:

Phil Deschamps Rhonda Straatman

Bob Taylor Dan Duncan

Dennis announced that Dan Duncan was stepping down.

Wishing to stand for re-election is Phil Deschamps, Bob Taylor and Rhonda Straatman

*Brad Elliott motioned to re-elect those who wish to stand for re-election. The motion was seconded by Steve MacLachlan.*  **CARRIED**

Dennis Meston announced that Carrie Pavey’s term is not up but she has decided to step down at this time giving two vacancies. One from each ward.

Nominations

WARD 1:

Bob Bressette

Motion by Brian Thorne

2nd by Hank Vandenheuvel

*Brad Elliott motioned to close and approve the nominations for Ward 1 and seconded by Mike Rops.*

**CARRIED**

WARD 2:

Mike VanGorp

Motion by John Couwenberg

2nd by Steve MacLachlan

*Paul Vanbree made a motioned to close and approve the nominations for Ward 2 and accept the new executive. Motion was seconded by Brenda McEachern.*

**CARRIED**

* 1. **ADJOURNMENT**

Before adjourning the meeting Dennis Meston reminded everyone that coach’s applications were due by the end of tonight.

Karen Cook asked for clarification on how to get a banner hung in the arenas and when is a banner hung. Dennis Meston mentioned ELMHA does not purchase banners for league championships. Paul Moffatt did clarify and mentioned if a banner is given to a team in ELMHA it will be hung in one of the arenas, but ELMHA does not buy them.

Hank Vandenheuvel questioned if ELMHA will be having an atom AE team. D.Meston commented that cannot be decided yet. It is too early. If there is enough for 3 teams it will be considered.

Bill Fuko questioned how a new rule can be added to the league. His son played in a tournament in Paris and their league has enforced a new rule. Any 3 penalties will eject you from the game. Bob Taylor stepped up and mentioned he would have to bring that to the league. The next meeting is in September.

Paul Vanbree expressed his thanks to Dan Duncan for his years on the board.

Paul Moffatt drew the winner for the $330 towards registration. The winner was Paula Bates

The meeting was adjourned at 7:58pm.

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Dennis Meston, President Rhonda Straatman, Secretary