The meeting was called to order at 7:34pm. Paul Moffatt welcomed the members to the Annual General Meeting of the East Lambton Minor Hockey Association. He began by apologizing for any over sites this past season. “We are all volunteers” he stated, and the goal this upcoming seasoning is to all, do better.

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

*A motion was made by Jen Dolbear-McRoberts to accept the agenda and seconded by Graham McLean.*

**CARRIED**

**2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

*Jeff Thorne made a motion to accept the minutes of the 2014 Annual General Meeting held Wednesday May 7, 2014 as presented and seconded by Adam MacKellar.*

**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 $143819.00.

**Guaranteed Investment**

ELMHA currently holds $126470.00 in GIC’s.

**Capital Assets**

Computers, shirts etc is currently at $702.00

**Accounts Payable**

$2260 at time of balance sheet

**Statement of Operations**

Total Revenue is $230451.

Total Expenses is $233288.

This brings ELMHA’s for the year to -$.2837.

Net Assets at the end of the year were $220052.

Paul Moffatt thanked Jeff Sawyer for the presentation outlining the financial status of ELMHA.

*Glen App made a motion to accept the treasurer’s report as presented and seconded by Jeff Thorne.*

**CARRIED**

* 1. **OMHA**

Bob Taylor shared with the members that the midget team went to the ¼ finals in OMHA.

* 1. **SHAMROCK LEAGUE**

Bob Taylor also gave a report for the Shamrock league. He stated that 5 teams competed in the shamrock league. The atom team won the C league championship and the peewee team went to the finals.

* 1. **LAMBTON MIDDLESEX REPORT**

Mike VanGorp presented the report for the Lambton Middlesex League. He shared with the members that ELMHA had 7 teams compete. The tyke was different as they had a pool A division. ELMHA had 2 novice teams, 1 team went to the finals, 1 atom team, 1 peewee team that went to the finals, 1 bantam team and 1 midget team.

Mike thanked all the coaches as ELMHA had no fines for the year. Body checking is removed from all local league teams. Mike also shared that next season the novice division will be set up differently. They will have 6 games scheduled at the beginning of the season then will be categorized to even the play. It will be done similar to the way the girls’ league is run.

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

Phil Deschamps, the rep for OWHA shared with the members that ELMHA had 4 teams registered. ELMHA had no team qualify for provincials. The AGM is scheduled for May 9th in London.

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

Phil Deschamps presented his report for The Western Ontario Girls Hockey League. He reported that the peewee and bantam teams competed for a league championship and won. The atom team finished 3rd and the midgets finished last in their respective round robin groups. The AGM is scheduled for May 25th in Strathroy.

1. **PLANNED ACTIVITIES OF THE ASSOCIATION**

Paul Moffatt told everyone that ELMHA will be running the goalie clinics and power skating again next season. He stated that ELMHA has added the concussion baseline testing to the peewee and up divisions. Dr.Hurley will be the one running the clinics and Troy’s Run Foundation is who brought him to ELMHA and the sponsor for this program. The testing will be done in August. 2 or 3 nights and a weekend will be set up to book times. The testing involves a 20 min online test and a 20 min physical (balance etc.)

Checking clinics will be looked into.

1. **OTHER BUSINESS**
   1. **Armstrong Foundation –** Dennis Meston spoke on behave of the Armstrong Foundation. He began by explaining to everyone what the Armstrong Foundation was. Dennis Meston shared with the members what the Armstrong committee had agreed to at their last meeting.

* 1st year kids (novice and below) will receive $100 back from registration
* Skills Clinics – A rebate of 50% will be given to players up to a max of $100
* Coaches/Coaching Staff – will continue to fund all coaches and training courses
* Hockey Canada – will continue to offer the clinic to ELMHA players for $10. Clinic actual cost is $70.
* Jerseys – $5000 has been given to put towards next set of Jerseys. ELMHA was given a loan for jerseys when amalgamated which was not asked to be paid back and loan was forgiven.
* $500 Bursary – Only for post secondary students and must be a resident of Brooke-Alvinston Township
  1. **Registration –** Paul Moffatt shared the current registration numbers

Pre-Novice – 40, Novice 23 (20 skaters, 3 goalies) Atom 34 (31skaters, 3 goalies) Peewee 23 (20 skaters, 3 goalies) Bantam 24 (22 skaters and 2 goalies) Midget 27 (22 skaters, 5 goalies)

Girls – Novice 5, Atom 6, Peewee 9, Bantam 7, Midget 17

* 1. **Baseline Testing –** Testing will be for Peewee teams and up. It will be mandatory for ELMHA this season. Computers will be needed for the testing. Martina Joris questioned ELMHA partnering with the local schools. More information will be given to everyone as soon as ELMHA has it. The information will be posted on the website and shared with the teams’ managers to help deliver the information.
  2. **Girls Hockey –** Many questions have arisen over the past few months regarding ELMHA and Petrolia girls working together. Petrolia Minor hockey approached ELMHA November 2014. They presented ELMHA with their numbers and idea for our two centers to work together to run the girls teams. Petrolia had also been discussing options with Mooretown and Lambton Shores. ELMHA was given only a short period of time to make a decision. Looking at ELMHA numbers it will be difficult to have a girl’s team in all divisions. It will be a trail year as it is a working agreement. The top 3 reasons that this is needed were mentioned.
* Talent differential
* Team size challenges
* The lost of girls to other centers

A committee consisting of ELMHA executive members and Petrolia executive members was formed the end of March to work out the details and bring back to the executives. They will move forward to work out the details for the upcoming season.

1. **ELECTION OF THE BOARD**

P. Moffatt announced those whose terms had expired.

WARD 1: WARD 2:

Jeff Sawyer Paula Bates

Julie Hayter Tracey Dorman

Kent Coleman Jim Rops

Paul Moffatt announced those wishing to stand for re-election.

* Jeff Sawyer and Julie Hayter from Ward 1 and Paula Bates from Ward 2.

Before a motion was put forth for re-election Bob Shanahan questioned the process and read the rules of operation. It was discussed and shared with the members that directors will be nominated and elected as necessary at the AGM. Directors shall be eligible to be appointed for 4 consecutive terms of 2 years.

*Jen Dolbear-McRoberts motioned to re-elect those who wish to stand for re-election in Ward 1. The motion was seconded by Janet Denkers.*  **CARRIED (1 opposed)**

*Adam Mackellar motioned to re-elect those in Ward 2 wishing to stand for re-election and seconded by Chris Cran.* **CARRIED**

Paul Moffatt announced that Bob Bressettes term is not up but due to not meeting the meeting requirements as per Section 8.02 (B) Absenteeism and will require being re-nominated and elected.

Nominations

Paul Moffatt asked before nominations were given to have 2 scrutineers nominated.

*Chris Cran nominated Karen Cook and Tanya Lassaline. Motion was seconded by Dan Davidson.*

**CARRIED**

WARD 1: 2 Positions available

Brad Smith

Motion by Chris Cran

2nd by Terri Ann Westgate

Adam MacKellar

Motion by Dan Davidson

2nd by Carrie Pavey

Bob Bressette

Motion by Dennis Meston

2nd by Tanya Lassaline

Darin Angus - Declined

Motion by Bob Shanahan

2nd by Chris Cran

*Dennis Meston motioned to close the nominations for Ward 1 and seconded by Scott Cran.*

**CARRIED**

WARD 2: 3 Positions Available

Chris Cran

Motion by Bob Shanahan

2nd by Bill Fuko

Brad Rombouts - Declined

Motion by Chirs Cran

2nd by John McAllister

Dan Davidson

Motion by Adam MacKellar

2nd by Bob Bressette

Sue Thorne

Motion by Julie Hayter

2nd by Jim Rops

Ken Verberne –Decline

Motion by Chris Cran

2nd by Bob Shanahan

*Scott Cran made a motioned to close the nominations for Ward 2. Motion was seconded by Marty Swan.* **CARRIED**

After the voting:

WARD 1: Brad Smith and Adam MacKellar

WARD 2: Chris Cran, Dan Davidson and Sue Thorne.

*Brad Rombouts motioned to accept the new executive as voted and elected. Motion was seconded by Scott Cran.* **CARRIED**

*Chris Cran motioned to have ballets destroyed and seconded by Christina Podolinsky.*

**CARRIED**

* 1. **ADJOURNMENT**

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

Paul Moffatt stated the girl’s hockey is a trail year and we don’t have all the answers right now. It is a work in progress. ELMHA will have 3-4 representatives in place once the new executive can meet. Moving forward the work will now begin. Paul Moffatt shared with the members again how the process began.

Scott Cran questioned if WHGOL and OWHA have approved the merger. It was again stated this is a trail year and each center will register teams.

Bill Fuko questioned is all 3 rinks will be used. Ice time will need to be looked at and they will be trying their best to work that out. Again the representatives that are put in place will be looking at all the options.

Randy Rombouts questioned the use of girls and if they will still be able to play with the boys if needed. It will remain the same as in the past and they will be able to be double carded.

Karen Cook questioned replacing jerseys. ELMHA has begun to look at teams sweaters and will begin to replace those in need.

Chris Cran questioned if ELMHA has considered the new style socks. ELMHA has and the cost was significantly more and the durability was not any better.

Bill Fuko questioned if there was a way coaches could have the local refs contact information for the problem with referees not showing up to games. The information needed to contact referees is located in the book at the gate. But contact should be made with the referee co-ordinator.

It was announced that Tracey Dorman will no longer be co-ordinating the referees. ELMHA will be looking for an individual to take over this position. If interested please see an executive member regarding this.

The winner for the $330 towards registration was drawn. The winner was Dan Davidson.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:39pm.

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Paul Moffatt, President Rhonda Straatman, Secretary