



## West Vancouver Field Hockey Club

### AGM

Wednesday Dec 1, 2021 via Zoom

## Minutes

### Present:

Brigid Flipse, George Haughn, Margi Spooner, Chris Baggott, Donna Howes, Kylie Banki, Gregor Copland, Ross Dick-Cleland, Mark Vaughan, Taylor Curran, Isla Drummond, Emma, Brian Bryson, Karina Woods, Sue Goddard, Ian Baggott, Mike Baumgartner, Amy Brooks,

1. Call to Order and Welcome 7:01 pm by Mark V
2. Approval of minutes from last AGM Dec 2, 2020, Mark moved, George 2nd,  
**Approved**
3. Presentation of the Club Financial position by Gregor Copland, Treasurer

Financial statements complicated due to Gaming Grant. \$100,000 received for each FY20 and FY21. As Spring League cancelled in 2020, we had \$59,000 left at the end of FY20 and were told to use all gaming funds in FY21. This year received gaming grant of \$41,000 instead of the requested \$100,000 - still waiting for a response for reconsideration.

FY21 - loss of less than \$1,000. Spent the excess responsibly and sustainably.

3 main categories of costs: staff costs of ~30% of our overall budget FY21. Reduced staff costs this year to 31% of overall revenues with the decision to let go of our Communications Coordinator.

Direct hockey cost - 61% of the budget including covid costs

Everything else amounts to ~10% of overall budget.

FY22 projecting a \$2500 loss.

Contribution to field hockey society was increased last year to \$40,000 - this year is projected at \$20,000.

Acknowledge financial statement - GC moved, 2nd Brian, **Approved**

4. Appointment of the Auditor - accounts have not been audited for many years. Strong separation of roles. GC moved no auditor GC moved no audit needed, 2nd Brian, **Approved**

- a. TC asked whether there was any point in the future that we would consider an audit - GC doesn't think so while our costs are so well known - possibly in the future if we undertake a major project like a clubhouse

## **5. President's Report to Members: Mark Vaughan**

The real story of 2021 is that although it was overshadowed by Covid, it has proceeded as predicted and has really been a story of business as usual, or essentially a relaunch back to business as usual. Unfortunately, the year began with the cancellation of the Men's and Women's leagues, and spring league was limited in numbers and had a small but significant drop in registrations. Additionally, both Men's and Women's leagues have had a small drop in numbers from our 2019 registrations. This has been offset by increases in our HP programs. Charlotte Burns will add the numbers of registrations to the minutes and if there are any questions, we can look at the numbers before moving on.

Other than some annoying rules, men's and women's leagues have been proceeding like any other year, and we are hopeful this will continue.

Some important elements to note:

#1. We launched the uniforms that were planned last year. Lesson learned: don't force people to buy more shorts and skirts.... Otherwise, they look great, and a big thank you to Matt Nosworthy for his work designing such great looking uniforms.

#2. Annabel has taken over social media (after we had to downsize staff) and everyone has been ecstatic about the results. Unfortunately, she cannot be here tonight as she has a family tragedy to deal with, but her hard work has been incredible and we truly appreciate everything she does for us.

#3. We did switch most of our teams, if not all of our teams, over to sports engine and for almost every team this works great. Unfortunately for the structure of men's recreation league, this has been disastrous and will probably not be continued in future.

#4. Charlotte Burns continued to deliver the high quality of service in her first full year with the club and we are tremendously thankful for what she has done for us.

#5. Geoff has developed another successful year of programming and has worked hard to create a unique and highly effective team of coaches at the highest levels in West Vancouver Field Hockey and we are thankful to him for this.

#6. West Vancouver Field Hockey Club dug deep into its reserves to make sure that the women and men who lost the second half of their seasons last year due to Covid were heard and felt that they were supported by their club by offering significant reimbursements on their league dues.

#7. The district of West Vancouver invested in a Høørger turf cleaning machine and our turf has never looked so clean. All of this, the replacement turf and the Høørger could not

have come at a better time as the entire park around the field is flooding amidst these atmospheric rivers, yet Rutledge remains incredibly playable!

#8. On a sad note, we lost long standing member and amazing helper and goaltender William Phillips to cancer this summer and his loss will be felt for a long time.

The future:

For the year ahead there are many uncertain events, including the continuation of the Covid drama and the ongoing saga of the Arts Center. It is likely that the outcome of both of these will occur by this time next year. If we continue to focus on our business and build our relationship with our members, West Vancouver is in a strong position to weather the next year.

Thank you to everyone who has made this possible, including the amazing coaches that are part of our family and Bettina Harris who keeps the money flowing.

Finally, thank you to everyone who stepped up to be on the board or who served on committees over this year. This is literally the engine that drives us forward and we could not deliver the incredibly high level of services that we do without you.

Program Numbers from July 2020 onwards:

Program	# Registrations
Juniors	
Summer Camp July 2020	237
Summer Camp August 2020	154
Fall 5's 2020	204
Fall Wolves 2020	19
Fall HP Dev 2020	54
Fall HP 2020	57
Winter Tech Dev* 2021	98
Winter Wolves 2021	11
Spring Break Camp 2021	110
Spring League 2021	1218
Spring HP 2021	64
Spring HP Dev 2021	24
Summer Camp July/August 2021	223
Fall 5's 2021	274
Fall Wolves 2021	15
Fall HP Dev 2021	65
Fall HP 2021	93

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Adults	
July 2020 Comp drop in	36
July 2020 Rec drop in	70
July family drop in	24
Aug 2020 Comp drop in	74
Aug 2020 Rec drop in	33
Fall Hockey Fit 2020	19
Fall Adult Rec 2020	16
Men's League 2020	76
Woman's League 2020	139
Spring Adult 2021	115
Fall Adult Rec 2021	22
Fall Hockey Fit 2021	20
Men's League 2021	78
Woman's League 2021	163
Winter Adult Rec 2021	10
program cancelled due to restrictions	

TC - would like to see Y over Y numbers so we can see trends and decide as a Board if we need - Strategic growth goal? Maintain SL numbers?

6. Election of Directors: Junior Representatives (3), Senior Representatives (3)
  - a. MV reviewed the process.
  - b. Junior Reps: Brian nominated Sue; Sue nominated Amy and Brian
  - c. Senior Reps: Mark nominated Margi; Margi nominated Chris; Chris nominated George
  - d. Directors elected by acclamation.
7. Any Other Business? Thank outgoing board members - Isla, Kaela and Rob
8. Adjournment MS - 7:45 pm