RED CIRCLE HOCKEY CLUB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING April 15, 2018

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Welcome	The meeting was called to order at 10:14 am by Board President Dave Dawe. Dave	
	welcomed everyone to the second part of our annual general meetings. Another	
	meeting will be held in September to approve the financials. Current Board of	
	Directors were introduced and Dave thanked all Directors for their hard work to	
	make this year's hockey season a success.	
Review and Approval of	Current Board members were sequestered to review the list of 13 new members.	
New Members	A motion to accept new members was made by Terri Hiscox, seconded by Jeremy	
	Hansen. All in favour.	
	A moment of silence was held in honour the lives injured or lost in the Humboldt	
	tragedy.	
Review of Previous	The minutes of the September 17, 2017 AGM meeting were approved. Motion by	
Minutes	Harry Cosgrove, seconded by Darcy Currah. All in favour.	
	Minutes from May 2017, 2017 AGM meeting listed Donna Crosby in year 1 of 2. That	
	was only because Dave Dawe remained President, she did not actually run for the	
	Board. So that position when filled will only be a one year term.	
Fred Kilgour Award	Dave Dawe shared that this award is given out each year to the individual who	
Presentation	"exemplifies the ideals, spirit and enthusiasm that Fred contributed over his many	
	years of service". Unfortunately, Fred passed away in 2012. This year's award	
	recipient is Jason Ahrens. Jason received a number of nominations and was thanked	
	for his many efforts and contributions.	
COMMITTEE REPORTS		
Treasury	Keith Root reported there will be a meeting in August or September to approve the	
	final financial statements prepared by BDO accountants. Corporate year end is May	
	31 st and a report to the membership is required within 6 months. Keith has no	
	concerns at this time.	
Registration	Dave Dawe reported that there were 1010 registered players for the 2017/18 season	

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	which was down by about 50 from the previous season. So far there are 578	
	registered for the upcoming season which is up from this time last year.	
Sports Committee	Jeff Taylor reported that this was his second year as 1st Vice President and thanked	
	Jay and Joanne for their work this year. Overall it was a good season, with a lot	
	fewer suspensions than last year. Sports Committee also tried to help out by putting	
	the teams together for two divisions at the start of the season and quickly figured	
	out how much work it was and gained an appreciation for the work that goes into	
	that process.	
Rules Committee	Jeff Taylor reported some rule changes were made, some worked and some didn't.	
	In particular, deciding on no callups during playoffs did not take into consideration	
	the possibility of short benches this year. The intent was to prevent coaches from	
	calling up strong players for every game without going through convenors.	
	Harry Cosgrove – asked what happened to those coaches in the past that didn't go	
	through their convenors for a call up. Those were given a warning and if they did it	
	again, risked suspension. There was a game forfeited this year due to a coach using	
	a call up during playoffs without permission.	
	Mike Taylor – asked what could be done to moderate the levels of the teams. All	
	coaches were asked to complete evaluations on their players at the end of this	
	season to use with the evaluations at the beginning of next season. Unfortunately	
	only about 50% were returned. The evaluation process at the beginning of the year	
	is not perfect and suggestions are always welcome. Mike suggested that if coaches	
	didn't return the evaluations, to ask the parents. Unfortunately not all parents could	
	give an unbiased opinion. Another issue is the number of requests received each	
	year and trying to accommodate some of those. Convenors are needed for every	
	division to help with the evaluation process and putting the teams together.	
	Dave Booth – TPH did a great job running practices, but a coaching development	
	program is needed. Coaches receive books and plays from TPH, but don't have an	
	understanding that it takes time and repetition to work on drills in order to make the	
	plays. He would be willing to help with a coaching camp.	

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	Jeff Taylor – it's a graduated process. A coaches handbook was developed which is	
	step one. Eventually a certification program can be developed.	
	Harry Cosgrove – it's not a perfect system, but convenors put in a number of hours	
	trying to put the teams together. Sometimes trading players works and sometimes it	
	doesn't.	
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	Murray Currah – pointed out that it is part of the registration process that parents	
	are made aware that there is a possibility of trades by a certain date. In reality, it's difficult to make a player move teams when a parent refuses.	
Hockey Development	Jason Ahrens reported on the number of Total Package Hockey (TPH) clinics offered	
Hockey Development	this year and the overall attendance. There were 652 registrations and 231	
	different players taking part in at least one session. Tyke and Novice players	
	represented 40% of total registrations. TPH attended 3 practices for all teams from	
	Tyke to Peewee. Paid scrimmages (\$8) were offered up to all ages over the two	
	Fridays in March break. A TPH web based coaching guide was offered as a pilot	
	project to a few Atom and Novice coaches, but there were technical difficulties with	
	that. A coaching manual developed by a couple of the Board members was	
	distributed to all coaches at the beginning of the season and is available through the	
	Hockey Development section of the Red Circle website.	
Risk Management	Darcy Currah reported that 2017/18 was a year of growth for police background	
o o	checks. There was a better submission rate this year than last year, and Darcy found	
	that face-to-face engagement was the best way to ensure the checks were handed	
	in.	
	The other main focus was a concussion protocol. Ontario has passed concussion	
	safety legislation (Rowan's Law) designed to protect amateur athletes and educate	
	coaches about the dangers of head injuries. The law establishes removal-from-sport	
	and return-to-sport protocols for players to ensure they are taken out of a game if	
	they are suspected of having a concussion. Coaches will also be required to review	
	online resources that help them identify and manage concussions in players. As	
	such, additional information and links to these protocols have been included as part	
	of the registration process and will be discussed at length with coaches next season.	

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	Information can be found through the Risk Management section of the Red Circle	
	website.	
Mite Program	Jay Mandel reported that two new convenors led the Mite Program this year and did	Follow up with Dave Booth
	a great job, but new convenors are needed for next year.	
	Dave Booth – may be interested.	
Schedules	Jennifer Pinter reported that scheduling was new to her this year and heard the	
	complaints of unbalanced times. A more balanced template will be looked at for next year.	
Ice Convenor	Dave Dawe reported that there will be a 3% increase in ice fees for next year. The	
	city has requested by April 27 th a list of all players and addresses before they issue an	
	ice allocation to the league. A request will be submitted that the majority of our ice	
	be at Stronach. This year, Carling was the only other arena allocated to us. In	
	previous years there has been Silverwoods, Farquharson, Western Fair and Glen	
	Cairn.	
Referee in Chief	Keith Root reported that there were 30 referees at the start of the season and 27 at	
	the end. There were 5 new refs hired and on and off ice training was provided. All	
	refs were also expected to write tests throughout the year. The majority of the refs	
	were evaluated throughout the season with Jay Mandel's help. It is expected that a	
	couple of senior refs will not return next year. New jerseys were purchased this year.	
	Tracy Clifford – asked if the referees receive any outside training or have CPR	
	training. No. If referees feel a player is truly hurt, they get the coach out and have	
	their partner get rink staff who are trained.	
Timekeepers	Joanne Clark reported that there were 16 timekeepers this year aged 13 and up.	
	Four new timekeepers were hired at the beginning of the season for the mite, tyke	
	and novice divisions. There were no significant issues this year, but Joanne	
	reminded everyone that these are kids for the most part working their first job and	
	doing the best they can. It is uncertain how many might not return next year which	
	may result in open positions.	
Equipment	Jeff Taylor reported that an equipment inventory will be done over the summer and	
	repairs or replacement will be done. Equipment can be rented out over the summer	

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	to registered goalies.	
Sweaters	On Wendy Wallace's behalf, Dave Dawe reported that some jerseys still need to be returned.	
Sponsors	Jeremy Hansen reported that by the end of the season 50 of the 52 teams needing a sponsor had one. At the beginning of the season it was expected that Scotia Bank would sponsor the whole Novice division as they had in the past but that did not occur, so additional sponsors were needed. The fees for sponsors will increase by \$100 next season. Any profits from sponsors help to offset registration fees.	
	Peter Choma – His Choma Heating & Cooling sponsor plaque had the wrong team on it. Dawn Fitzgerald added that it should have been Novice team 2 (green) but a yellow team was on his plaque.	Jeremy Hansen to look after getting a replacement plaque.
Trophies	On behalf of Graham Jones, Joanne Clark reported that Sanders Pro was used for the majority of the trophy needs. They are competitively priced and deliver a quality product. Juveniles continue to be a challenge as they are at an age where trophies do not have the same impact, so alternate awards are purchased for them. Trophies came in under budget this year.	
Awards Day	Jay Mandel reported that championship weekend went well. Jeff Taylor and Donna Crosby did a great job talking in front of the kids all weekend. A lot of volunteers were used.	
Photography	Terri Hiscox reported that a contract was renewed with Sports One Photography this year. A change from previous was to have all (excluding Juvenile) team pictures taken and delivered before Christmas. There were a few hiccups with scheduling that needed to be worked out, but overall was a success. Hope to do this again going forward.	
Technology/Web Site	On behalf of Lloyd Stone, Dave Dawe reported that League Toolbox continues to provide approximately 80% of the league's needs. There is a lack of playoff support and limited use of tables. League Toolbox was bought out by Sports Illustrated so there are not a lot of updates, they are just maintaining what is currently available. Catherine Smith – asked if you can connect with your team through the website. Due to privacy laws this is not allowed. It was suggested that any messages to team mates go through the coach. It was also suggested that she try the Game Day app.	

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Mandatory Fundraising	Dave Dawe reported that \$29,000 was raised for the Club through this annual			
	fundraiser.			
Bingo	Kellie Davis reported bingos are held monthly to raise money to help offset the cost			
	of registration. Volunteers aged 16 or older are needed.			
Promotional	On behalf of Graham Jones, Joanne Clark reported that WSC Imaging was used for			
	Red Circle Raiders gear. WSC came to Stronach Arena over 2 days in early November			
	with delivery the week before Christmas. Customers reported being happy with the			
	product. Another sale in Feb/March was considered but delivery becomes difficult			
	with the season ending at the end of March. However, WSC will take orders directly			
	from any parent. The percentage of sales for the Club was approximately \$600, which was up slightly from last year.			
Caring Fund	Joanne Clark reported that flowers, cards or gift baskets are sent to people or			
	families for injuries, serious illness or death. This year something was sent to 9			
	different people.			
Select Program	Jason Ahrens reported that interviews were held and head coaches selected in			
	September. Progressive tryouts were held in October and teams finalized. New			
	clothing suppliers were used for team jerseys and socks and team jackets were			
	chosen for those that wanted to purchase them. The additional cost to play Selects			
	included a jersey, socks, 10 team practices, 3 tournaments and 3 home games with			
	the hope that at return game would be reciprocated. Teams in all divisions were competitive with the other leagues.			
	The Burlington Wave organization has joined Hockey Canada but not sure what to			
	expect from the Burlington Griffins. Hope to get more information in the next			
	couple of months in order to plan for the Select season next year.			
	Dave booth – asked why select players aren't moved up a division in houseleague.			
	Usually that would occur with tyke players on the novice select team, but that didn't			
	occur this year.			
	Jay Mandel – congratulated Jason, Wendy Wallace and Joe Douglas on the last two			
	years being the best years of the Select Program in recent years.			
RCAT	Kellie Davis reported that there were 38 teams in total this year. There wasn't a			

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	midget division as there were no out of town teams to play. There were no major issues with the RCAT this year and Red Circle teams did well. The change with the Burlington league will impact the RCAT next year.	
	Catherine Taylor – asked how teams get involved. It's up to coaches to register their teams, but players interested in playing can let their convenor know to try to recruit them to another team for the tournament	
	Dawn Fitzgerald – suggested tiered divisions in the RCAT. This was done last year and will be looked at again in future depending on the number of teams entered.	
Advertising/Social Media	Jeff Taylor reported that a Facebook page was started this season as an advertising tool and a way to share information.	
	Nick Hiscox – asked if full ice tyke division was being pushed as CHL will be going half ice. This is being advertised on the website, word of mouth and through the Facebook page.	
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ROUND TABLE	Jeremy Hansen – suggested that people use the sponsors when they can. In particular, a large portion of sponsorships come from optimist clubs, but most people may not be aware of what they do. He suggested people search them out.	
	Dave Booth – thought in the last couple of years the Board has run very well. He would like to see Nick and Terri Hiscox get more recognition for the toy drive they organize. This is always advertised on our website with pictures and the Hiscox family is appreciated for their efforts. Jeff asked that they wear Red Circle jerseys when they make the toy donation to the Ronald McDonald House.	
ELECTIONS	Dave Dawe reported that the Board consists of 19 Directors. Anyone interested in running for the Board must understand that there is a time commitment and work required to become a Board member. Directors must be able to commit at least 2 hours per week and a monthly meeting but at certain times of the year it may be more.	
	Dave listed the current Board members that need to be re-elected and those that	

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	are in their second year of their term and don't need re-election. Because Dave is	
	up for re-election, Murray Currah ran the elections.	
	Nominations:	
	Keith Root	
	Dave Dawe	
	Jay Mandel	
	Joanne Clark	
	Terri Hiscox	
	Jason Ahrens	
	Darcy Currah – declined	
	Dave Booth	
	Harry Cosgrove	
	Christine Cosgrove	
	Dawn Fitzgerald	
	Nick Hiscox – declined	
	Darcy Wathen	
	Tracy Clifford – declined	
	Pete Choma – declined	
	Ashley Ivanisevic	
	Marc Lepage	
	Adam Little - declined	
	New nominations were confirmed to be paid members and asked if they stand for nomination.	
	Motion to close the nominations was made by Nick Hiscox, seconded by Kellie Davis. All in favour.	
	Because only half the board can change over in a year, three of the new Board members will only serve a one-year term before needing re-election. Three members volunteered – Dave Booth, Jason Ahrens, Ashley Ivanisevic.	

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	2018/19 Board:		
	<u>Year 1 of 2</u>	<u>Year 2 of 2</u>	
	Keith Root	Kellie Davis	
	Dave Dawe	Jeff Taylor	
	Jay Mandel	Jeremy Hansen	
	Joanne Clark	Joe Douglas	
	Terri Hiscox	Lloyd Stone	
	Harry Cosgrove	Jennifer Pinter	
	Christine Cosgrove	Jason Ahrens	
	Dawn Fitzgerald	Dave Booth	
	Darcy Wathen	Ashley Ivanisevic	
	Marc Lepage		
ADJOURNMENT	_	by thanking everyone for attending. A notification	
	will be sent out for the late summer/fall AGM to review the financials.		
	A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Jeremy Hansen, seconded by Dave		
	Booth. All in favour. The meeting was adjourned at 12:51 pm.		
2018/19 Executive	Board members nominated and	voted in the following Executive:	
	President – Jay Mandel		
	Past President – Dave Dawe		
	1 st Vice President – Jeff Taylor		
	2 nd Vice President – Joanne Clar	k	
	3 rd Vice President – Jeremy Han	sen	
	Treasurer – Keith Root		
	Secretary – Jennifer Pinter		