

SQUAMISH MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION
(the “Association” or “SMHA”)

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE DIRECTORS OF THE ASSOCIATION (THE “BOARD”) HELD BY WAY OF ZOOM VIRTUAL CONFERENCE AT 6:00 PM (PACIFIC) ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21, 2024.

DIRECTORS PARTICIPATING: Leah Hodges, President (Chair)
Craig Halliday, VP Rep
Anna Le Good, VP House
Kat Gore, Treasurer
Donn Oberg, Secretary
Conny Bonthron, Registrar
Jennifer Schorz, Division Director
Andrew Slater, Division Director
Katie Jones, Division Director

ALSO PARTICIPATING: Jordan McCarl, Technical Director of Hockey

ABSENT: Patricia Wilson, Communications and Admin Assistant

CHAIR: Leah Hodges

SECRETARY: Donn Oberg

MEETING COMMENCEMENT

The Chair stated that before the formal business of the Meeting begun, she wanted to acknowledge that the Association lives, learns and plays on the unceded territory of the Squamish Nation.

With the consent of the meeting, Mrs. Hodges acted as Chair of the meeting and Mrs. Oberg acted as Secretary. With the directors present, there was quorum and the Chair declared the meeting to be duly called and constituted for the transaction of business.

MEETING AGENDA

The Chair noted that the agenda for the meeting had been circulated in advance and unless anyone had any comments or additions, she would ask for a motion to approve.

UPON MOTION duly made and carried, **IT WAS RESOLVED THAT** the agenda for the meeting be approved.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The Chair stated that the first item of business was approval of the minutes of the meeting of the Board held previously, stating that a copy was available in advance of the meeting on Basecamp. The Chair asked if anyone had any comments or revisions regarding the minutes; there were none.

The Chair asked that the Board proceed with approval of the minutes of the meeting held on August 7, 2024 and made a motion in that regard.

UPON MOTION duly made and carried, **IT WAS RESOLVED THAT** the minutes of the meeting of the Board held on August 7, 2024, be approved.

BOARD REPORTS

The Chair noted that the next item of business was reporting requested in advance of the meeting by a Board member or Board employee.

- Technical Director Report
 - Head coaches for house teams was discussed.
- Ice Scheduler
 - Week 1 and week 2 of ice schedule the ice schedule was finalized.

APPROVALS/MOTIONS

The Chair noted that the next item of business was items requiring approval either provided for in advance of the meeting in the agenda available through Basecamp, or that arose during the meeting.

- Affiliate Player Policy

Following discussion, **UPON MOTION** duly made and carried, **IT WAS RESOLVED THAT** the Affiliate Player Policy be approved.

- Updated Policy and Procedure Manual

Following discussion, **UPON MOTION** duly made and carried, **IT WAS RESOLVED THAT** the updated Policy and Procedure Manual be approved.

- Coach and Manager Manual for 2024/2025 season

Following discussion, **UPON MOTION** duly made and carried, **IT WAS RESOLVED THAT** the Coach and Manager Manual for 2024/2025 season be approved.

- Coach Compensation Policy
 - Policy was uploaded to basecamp with adjustments noted in the chat, Board members were asked to review, with a decision to be determined at the next meeting.
- U7 League games to be played or not, alternative association-based games and jamborees; major and minor.

Following discussion, **UPON MOTION** duly made and carried, **IT WAS RESOLVED THAT** U7 major will play league games and U7 minor will focus on development and refrain from playing league games.

- Rep tryout jerseys with the money received back from the Bears program.
 - Purchase to be considered at the end of the season.
- U15A1 and U18A1 practice jerseys using funds received from cancellation of the Bears program, jerseys to be returned to the association at the end of the season.

Following discussion, **UPON MOTION** duly made and carried, with Kat and Donn abstaining due to monetary conflict, **IT WAS RESOLVED THAT** U15A1 and U18A1 practice jerseys be purchased using funds received from cancellation of the Bears program, with jerseys to be returned to SMHA at the end of the season, be approved.

- U15A1 and U8A1 dryland at Mountain Fitness.
It was noted that strength circuits can be messy. It was also noted that agility, plyometric movement, speed and basic foundation patterning is advantageous to hockey development.

Following discussion, **UPON MOTION** duly made and carried, with Kat and Donn abstaining due to conflict of interest, **IT WAS RESOLVED THAT** U15A1 and U18A1 dryland being held at Mountain Fitness at the discretion of the coach, be approved.

- U15 Rep goalie from Whistler to try out in Squamish.
Whistler has 1 team and 3 goalies and has requested an opportunity for their goalie to play in Squamish. Squamish has requested that a U18 goalie have the opportunity to play in Whistler. It was noted that when the Bears program could no longer be facilitated at U15, Squamish agreed to allow Whistler players the opportunity to play in Squamish. All players would need to try out and earn their spot on the Squamish U15 Rep team.

Following discussion, **UPON MOTION** duly made and carried, **IT WAS RESOLVED THAT** the U15 Rep goalie from Whistler trying out in Squamish be approved.

- Danny Brooks as U18A1 coach at the high-performance 4+ year's experience end rate.

Following discussion, **UPON MOTION** duly made and carried, **IT WAS RESOLVED THAT** Danny Brooks being hired as the U18A1 coach at the high-performance 4+ year's experience end rate given the time/travel commitment be approved. U18A1 coach staff fees including AC are approved on trial basis due to the 2023/24 Bears funding access.

- Baseline testing.
 - Suggested at Rep U15 and up and optional for U11 and U13. This can be done with a physio appointment or have a night where all players get their testing done prior to Oct 31. Documentation will be provided to all Rep parents to suggest Baseline testing and how/where they can get it done.
- Registrar role.
 - Extra admin time for Camps (pre-season, advanced skills, Pro D and Spring Break). Camps are more work than league registrar – Registrar to provide proposal for September 11th Board meeting.
- Technical Director Contract
 - Contract to be amended to include 20 hours development for both U15A1 and U18A1. The amendment will also include an annual report indicating hours spent on development for each division by Technical Director and subcontractors.

Following discussion, **UPON MOTION** duly made and carried, **IT WAS RESOLVED THAT** the Technical Director contract amendment be approved.

- Equipment requests to equipment manager need to be via division director or Technical Director.
Note: SMHA emails are required for the equipment manager and safety lead.

Following discussion, **UPON MOTION** duly made and carried, **IT WAS RESOLVED THAT** all equipment requests to equipment manager need to be via division director or Technical Director be approved.

DISCUSSIONS

The Chair stated that the next item of business was the discussion topics noted in the agenda provided in Basecamp in advance of the meeting.

- Do we have a dress code for house this year?
 - Leave up to coaches

OTHER BUSINESS

The Chair asked if there was any further business anyone would like to discuss; there was none.

Following discussion, the next meeting of the Board was set for Wednesday, September 11th at 6:00 PM (Pacific).

CONCLUSION OF MEETING

There being no further business, the meeting was concluded at 8:25 PM (Pacific).

LEAH HODGES

Chair of the Meeting

DONN OBERG

Secretary of the Meeting