

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

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE DIRECTORS OF THE ASSOCIATION (THE “BOARD”) HELD VIRTUALLY AT 6:30 PM (PACIFIC) ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5, 2025.

DIRECTORS PARTICIPATING: Leah Hodges, President (Chair)
Craig Halliday, VP Rep
Anna Le Good, VP House
Kat Gore, Treasurer and Ice Scheduler
Donn Oberg, Secretary and Referee Assignor
Conny Bonthron, Registrar, Risk Manager, Camp Administrator
Jennifer Schorz, Division Director

ALSO PARTICIPATING: Jordan McCarl, Technical Director of Hockey
Patricia Wilson, Communications and Admin Assistant

ABSENT: Andrew Slater, Division Director
Katie Jones, Division Director

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, 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 MEETING

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 February 12, 2025, 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 February 12, 2025, 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.

- Treasurer Report
 - To avoid increasing registration fees next season the following cost saving measures were recommended: increase rep try out fees; remove \$8,000 from budget for coach and manager appreciation by SMHA as it is done by each team; remove \$4,000 from budget for official appreciation; and cancel Basecamp (a US platform used by the Board for meeting prep and document sharing).
- Technical Director Report
 - Season Planning – Season wrap up and next season planning was discussed.

APPROVALS/MOTONS

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

- Policy and Procedure/Coach and Manager Manual Updates

The Chair noted that revisions regarding updates from the February meeting were made. Following discussion, **UPON MOTION** duly made and carried, **IT WAS RESOLVED THAT** the updates be approved.

- Budget

UPON MOTION duly made and carried, **IT WAS RESOLVED THAT** the cost saving measures discussed be approved.

The 2026/27 Board meeting regarding the budget will be held Wednesday May 14, 2025 at 6:30pm.

- Team Declarations 25/26

Following discussion, **UPON MOTION** duly made and carried, **IT WAS RESOLVED THAT** a survey would be sent out to establish the intent to play rep hockey for U15 and U18. It was noted that the Association would have its largest number of teams next season and ice will be very limited.

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.

- Annual Awards

- SMHA Annual Awards ceremony will be held April 5, 2025 at 3PM at Brennan Park. The takeaway gift to players was discussed and agreed that it would be suitable for all age groups.
- AGM
 - SMHA AGM will be held May 21, 2025 at 5:30PM at a location to be determined.
- PCAHA AGM
 - Resolutions to be addressed were discussed: USA team involvement in PCAHA and parameters such as offering weekend ice for teams over 100km away; U7 / U9 playing rules and roster sizes to be established and enforced by PCAHA.
- Coach Interviews
 - It was discussed whether or not current coaches should be interviewed to return next season or if they could be voted in by the Board in place of an interview. It was noted that interviews are helpful to establish availability and possible movement based on changing number of teams.
- Spring Break Camps
 - It was suggested to open spring break camps to active Whistler players.

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 agreed to be held in person on Wednesday, April 9, 2025 at 6:30 PM (Pacific).

CONCLUSION OF MEETING

There being no further business, the meeting was concluded at 8:30 PM (Pacific).

LEAH HODGES
Chair of the Meeting

DONN OBERG
Secretary of the Meeting