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, FEBRUARY 12, 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 Andrew Slater, Division Director Katie Jones, Division Director
ALSO PARTICIPATING:	Jordan McCarl, Technical Director of Hockey Patricia Wilson, Communications and Admin Assistant
ABSENT:	
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 January 8, 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 January 8, 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
    - Spending for remainder of season – refund pant shells U13A and U15A as they have not used them yet, if we change vendors next year SMHA will purchase U18A pant shells. Pant shells will be worn this year at the discretion of the coaches. Donn will advise U15A1, Jenn will advise U13A1 and Kat advise Jen U13A2 of refund.
- Technical Director Report
    - Spring Ice – Spring ice will be given back to Brennan Park if not being used by SMHA. It will the be available for purchase through Brennan Park. It was suggested that we do a 6-week program once a week for females in Spring. Jordan/Katie will look into the interest and coach/ice availability.

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.

- SMHA Manual/Policy and Procedure Updates

The Chair noted that revisions regarding updates from the January meeting, name bars, pant shells and C and A revisions, were made. Following discussion, **UPON MOTION** duly made and carried, **IT WAS RESOLVED THAT** the SMHA Manual/Policy and Procedure Updates be approved.

- Technical Director Contract

Following discussion, **UPON MOTION** duly made and carried, **IT WAS RESOLVED THAT** the Technical Director Contract, extending the term another three years, circulated in advance of the meeting, be approved, subject to the discussed changes.

- Registration Deadline

Following discussion, **UPON MOTION** duly made and carried, **IT WAS RESOLVED THAT** registration for the 2025/2026 season would open for returning players on May 1 and new players on May 15.

- SMHA Camp Registration

Following discussion, **UPON MOTION** duly made and carried, **IT WAS RESOLVED THAT** SMHA will allow current as of that season active players, that are required to be transferred to another association due to capacity or no female program being offered, will be permitted to attend SMHA camps and clinics (pro-d,

pre-season and spring break), excluding Advance Eagles Skills. For clarification, it is not open to those who have left SMHA at their discretion, electing to play for another association or program.

- SMHA Volunteer Hours Requirement

Following discussion, **UPON MOTION** duly made and carried, **IT WAS RESOLVED THAT** SMHA would increase the required volunteer hours as of the 2025/2026 season from 10 hrs to 20 hrs (with the number of hours being 20, no matter the number of players enrolled in SMHA, although we will always welcome more help), and the failure to volunteer the require hours fee would be raised from $100 to $250 and be applied to registration fees for the season following the one the failure to volunteer occurred. SMHA teams to elect an individual on each team to be the Volunteer Co-Ordinator to send out reminders to complete and collect SMHA volunteer hour forms (available on the website) at the end of the season for review.

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.

- Apparel
    - Year-round items being sold at Source for Sports was discussed.

- Name Bars
    - It was noted that Name Bars will not be allowed for game jerseys or practice jerseys. The TDHO recommended that teams who purchase practice jerseys should be in 2 colors and be interchangeable so players can swap jerseys at practice for consistent development and practice plans across the Association. Any team who does not have practice jerseys can use pinnies provided by SMHA. The U15A and U18A teams have been given an exemption for name bars on game jerseys as the jersey size is less likely to change for these years resulting in less removing and application of name bars.

- Year End Awards
    - April 5th

- Team Declarations
    - It was noted that Team Declarations for 2025/2026 will need to be decided before May 1 registration. It was decided that this will be discussed at the March Board meeting.

- High Performance Program
    - A high performance program was discussed as an add-on for Rep Players who attend Don Ross and Howe Sound Secondary School. The TDHO noted that this would help the success of Rep teams. It was decided to request the additional ice required at the ice allocation meeting.

- Player Conduct
    - Player conduct on and off the ice was discussed. It was noted that the Rep Player agreement needs updates to allow for further consequences for failure to adhere to SMHA Code of Conduct and to provide coaches with discretion to hold players accountable. It was agreed to reiterate SMHAs expectation of players and the coaches discretion in the standardized communication at the beginning of the season.

- SMHA Females
    - Females loved the Sunday ice provided.
    - Female advanced skills (Eagles Development) was discussed.
    - Female spring break camp was discussed.

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 virtually on Wednesday, March 5, 2025, at 6:30 PM (Pacific).

CONCLUSION OF MEETING

There being no further business, the meeting was concluded at 9:33 PM (Pacific).

LEAH HODGES
Chair of the Meeting

DONN OBERG
Secretary of the Meeting