SQUAMISH MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION
(the "**Association**" or "**SMHA**")

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE DIRECTORS OF THE ASSOCIATION (THE "BOARD") HELD VIA GOOGLE MEET AT 6:00 PM (PACIFIC) ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 29, 2026.

DIRECTORS PARTICIPATING:	Leah Hodges, President (Chair) Craig Halliday, VP Rep Anna Le Good, VP House Kat Gore, Treasurer and Ice Scheduler Emily Tomlinson, Secretary Conny Bonthron, Registrar, Risk Manager, Camp Administrator Janine Barnett, Division Director Andrew Slater, Division Director Jennifer Buxton, Division Director
ALSO PARTICIPATING:	Jordan McCarl, Technical Director of Hockey Patricia Wilson, Communications and Admin Assistant
CHAIR:	Leah Hodges, President
SECRETARY:	Emily Tomlinson, Secretary

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 Ms. Tomlinson 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 Google Drive. 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 June 10, 2026, 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 June 10, 2026 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. The Chair advised that the Board reports would be taken as read.

APPROVALS

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 Google Drive, or that arose during the meeting.

REP HEAD COACHES AND CONTRACTS

The Board reviewed the proposed Rep Head Coaches and compensation amounts. It was discussed that the U18 House Head Coach position be a paid role. It was noted that the U11 A1 and U11 A2 teams will utilize parent Assistant Coaches, who will not receive compensation. The VP of Rep proposed adjusting the parent/SMHA cost-sharing ratio; however, the Board agreed to maintain the current 40/60 split for the upcoming season and revisit the proposal during next year's budget discussions.

Following discussion, **UPON MOTION** duly made and carried, **IT WAS RESOLVED THAT** the Rep Head Coaches and compensation amounts presented to the Board, as well as the U18 House Head Coach position being a paid role, be approved.

POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL

The Board reviewed the updated Policy and Procedure Manual, and discussed an additional amendment clarifying that player "A" and "C" jersey letters are not supplied by SMHA but options used must be approved by SMHA. Responsibility for providing captain and alternate captain letters will remain with individual teams. The reference should also be incorporated into the Team Manager Manual.

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

AFFILIATE PLAYER POLICY

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

ICE SCHEDULE

The Board reviewed the proposed ice schedule and following discussion approved it for public release.

DISCUSSIONS

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

- **Letterman Jackets**
  - The Board reviewed the four proposed Letterman Jacket colourways and expressed a preference for the version featuring the "S" logo. The Chair advised they would commence an email vote to finalize the design.

- **Tournament Updates**
  - The Board confirmed that each team, Rep and House, had been scheduled to attend one tournament for the upcoming season to alleviate recurring issues with tournament registration openings and later team rostering, with additional tournaments to be scheduled by each team if desired. It was noted it would be communicated in the upcoming newsletter. It was further noted that Rep teams wishing to attend 3 tournaments, would need to have the 3rd landing outside regular season with no ice consequences/rescheduling.

- **Apparel**
  - The Board discussed the apparel lineup for the upcoming season. To better support players and families, apparel ordering will open earlier this year to help ensure players receive their SMHA gear before exhibition games and early-season tournaments.

- **Dressing Room Monitor**
  - The Board discussed the moving and re-installation of the dressing room monitor near the Association's new office. The President will follow up with Brennan Park regarding its preferred location and advise that SMHA is willing to upload Brennan Park ice programming to the display if appropriate.

- **Video Recording Device**
  - The Board discussed the potential purchase of a camera system to stream and record practices and games for coaching and player development purposes. The Communications and Admin Assistant was asked to research available options and present recommendations at the next Board meeting.

- **Annual Gear Swap/Apparel Fitting Days**
  - The Board reviewed planning for the Annual Gear Swap and Apparel Fitting Day, with the event scheduled for August 16.

- **Baseline Testing**
  - The Board confirmed that information regarding baseline testing will be included in the next Association newsletter.

OTHER BUSINESS

The Chair asked if there was any further business anyone would like to discuss; the below items were discussed:

- **Annual Photos**
    - The Board discussed exploring alternative options for annual player photos, including the possibility of using a different photographer or a volunteer parent. The Secretary will investigate available options for the 2027/2028 season and report back to the Board. It was requested that the scheduled photo date for the 2026/2027 season be moved due to the number of teams travelling the day following the current photo date. The President was tasked with rescheduling.

- **Rep Head Coach Announcements**
    - The Board confirmed that Rep Head Coach announcements will be included in the next Association newsletter. Social media announcements with images would follow once professional headshots have been obtained.

- **House Team Requests**
    - The Technical Director of Hockey requested consistent messaging regarding player requests to be placed on specific teams. A Division Director will develop a standardized approach to ensure clear and consistent communication with families.

- **U7 Tournament Registration**
    - The Board confirmed that two U7 teams will attend tournaments this season, consisting of one Major team and one Minor team.

Following discussion, the next meeting of the Board was agreed to be held virtually on August 19, 2026, at 6:00 PM (Pacific).

CONCLUSION OF MEETING

There being no further business, the meeting was concluded at 7:30 PM (Pacific).

LEAH HODGES
Chair of the Meeting

EMILY TOMLINSON
Secretary of the Meeting