



INFORMATION BULLETIN

Bulletin No: 13/34

Date: May 7, 2014

To: Minor Hockey Associations
Senior Male/Female Teams
Junior A, B & C Teams

From: Rob Litwinski
Executive Director

SUBJECT: 2014 Notices of Motion - AGM

The 2014 Hockey Conference & AGM will take place Friday, June 6, 2014 through to Saturday June 7, 2014. Hockey Alberta will be hosting this season's meeting at the **Westin** in Edmonton, Alberta. The Westin Edmonton is located in the heart of Downtown Edmonton at 10135-100 Street.

In the following pages you will find details about the Notices of Motion that were submitted to the Board of Directors and will be on the agenda for the 2014 Hockey Alberta Annual General Meeting on Saturday, June 7.

Please note that current member dues and delinquent accounts must be paid in order for members to vote at the Annual General Meeting. Please follow the procedures under Article 4, 4.6 (b) as presented in the Hockey Alberta Bylaws and Regulations in regards to voting privileges/procedures.

Registration details about the 2014 Hockey Conference can be found online at hockeyalberta.ca.

Should you have any questions regarding the 2014 Hockey Conference please feel free to contact Michelle Skilnick at the Hockey Alberta office at any time.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rob Litwinski".

Rob Litwinski
Executive Director



**2014 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
NOTICE OF MOTION**

NOTICE OF MOTION #: 1

AMENDMENT TO BYLAWS

BYLAW #: Article 1 PAGE #: 13 PARA. #: 1.7 (h)

SUBMITTED BY: Board of Directors

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: *Tony C. Lager*

CURRENT WORDING (if applicable):

(h) "Director of Hockey Operations" shall mean the individual elected by the Members to be the Director of Hockey Operations for the Board of Hockey Alberta;

PROPOSED WORDING:

Delete the entire definition.

~~(h) "Director of Hockey Operations" shall mean the individual elected by the Members to be the Director of Hockey Operations for the Board of Hockey Alberta;~~

RATIONALE FOR CHANGE:

As a result of the Operational Structure change the Board position of "Director of Hockey Operations" is no longer the correct terminology. This position will continue to be a "Director", which is already defined in 1.7(g).



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NOTICE OF MOTION #: 2

AMENDMENT TO BYLAWS

BYLAW #: Article 1 & 6 PAGE #: 13-14, 24 PARA. #: 1.7 (k), (s), (t), (ff), (ii), 6.2, 6.3

SUBMITTED BY: Board of Directors

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: *Tony C. Eger*

CURRENT WORDING (if applicable):

1.7 Definitions

- (k) "Female Hockey Council" shall have the meaning given to it in the Regulations;
- (s) "Junior "A" Hockey Council" shall have the meaning given to it in the Regulations;
- (t) "Junior "B/C" Hockey Council" shall have the meaning given to it in the Regulations;
- (ff) "Referee Council" shall have the meaning given to it in the Regulations;
- (ii) "Senior Hockey Council" shall have the meaning given to it in the Regulations;

6.2 Committees and Councils

The Board may create such committees and councils with such mandate, authority and direction as it determines to be necessary or useful in the discharge of its duties and obligations.

6.3 Delegation of Authority

The Board may delegate authority to individuals, committees, councils and others as it determines is in the best interests of Hockey Alberta subject to these Bylaws and the laws of Alberta.



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PROPOSED WORDING:

1.7 Definitions

- (k) "Female Hockey ~~Council~~ **Committee**" shall have the meaning given to it in the Regulations;
- (s) "Junior "A" Hockey ~~Council~~ **Committee** " shall have the meaning given to it in the Regulations;
- (t) "Junior "B/C" Hockey ~~Council~~ **Committee** " shall have the meaning given to it in the Regulations;
- (ff) "Referee ~~Council~~ **Committee** " shall have the meaning given to it in the Regulations;
- (ii) "Senior Hockey ~~Council~~ **Committee** " shall have the meaning given to it in the Regulations;

6.2 ~~Committees and Councils~~

The Board may create such committees ~~and councils~~ with such mandate, authority and direction as it determines to be necessary or useful in the discharge of its duties and obligations.

6.3 Delegation of Authority

The Board may delegate authority to individuals, committees, ~~councils~~ and others as it determines is in the best interests of Hockey Alberta subject to these Bylaws and the laws of Alberta.

RATIONALE FOR CHANGE:

Currently the Bylaws utilize the term "Council" in order to refer to the groups of people that have been identified to regulate the different divisions of hockey. As a result of the Operational Structure change, all of these groups should be referred to as "Committees" in the future.



**2014 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
NOTICE OF MOTION**

NOTICE OF MOTION #: 3

AMENDMENT TO BYLAWS

BYLAW #: Article 1 PAGE #: 14 PARA. #: 1.7 (bb)

SUBMITTED BY: Board of Directors

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: *Tony C. Leger*

CURRENT WORDING (if applicable):

(bb) "Minor Hockey Council" shall have meaning given to it in the Regulations;

PROPOSED WORDING:

Delete the entire definition.

~~(bb) "Minor Hockey Council" shall have meaning given to it in the Regulations;~~

RATIONALE FOR CHANGE:

As a result of the Operational Structure change the group responsible for Minor Hockey Regulations would no longer be known as "Minor Hockey Council"..



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NOTICE OF MOTION #: 4

AMENDMENT TO BYLAWS

BYLAW #: Article 2 PAGE #: 16 PARA. #: 2.3 (b)

SUBMITTED BY: Board of Directors

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: *Tony C. Leger*

CURRENT WORDING (if applicable):

(b) The Board shall appoint Life Members by majority vote on any nomination for Life Membership.

PROPOSED WORDING:

(b) The Board shall appoint Life Members as per Policy by majority vote on any nomination for Life Membership.

RATIONALE FOR CHANGE:

The current process for the appointment of Life Members is completely outlined in a Board approved Policy. This Bylaw should be amended to refer to that Policy and reflect the current practices of Hockey Alberta.



**2014 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
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NOTICE OF MOTION #: 5

AMENDMENT TO BYLAWS

BYLAW #: Article 5 PAGE #: 20 PARA. #: 5.1

SUBMITTED BY: Board of Directors

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: *Terry C. Leger*

CURRENT WORDING (if applicable):

5.1 Board

- (a) The Board shall be comprised of eight (8) individuals being the Executive Director, the Past Chair and six (6) Directors, including the Chair, the Vice-Chair, the Director of Operations, the Finance Director and two Directors at large. The Chair, the Vice-Chair, the Director of Operations, the Finance Director and the two Directors at large are elected by the Members. Each Director, other than the Executive Director, will serve a term of three years from the date of election to the Board by the Members. Director elections will be staggered so that two Directors are elected at each Annual Meeting for three year terms. The Chair may serve a maximum of two three year terms as Chair.
- (b) Reference to a year or a term in subsection 5.1(a) will mean the time between Annual Meetings.

PROPOSED WORDING:

5.1 Board

- (a) The Board shall be comprised of **seven (7)** ~~eight (8)~~ individuals being ~~the Executive Director,~~ the Past Chair and six (6) Directors (including the Chair, the Vice-Chair, ~~the Director of Operations,~~ the Finance Director and **three (3)** ~~two~~ Directors at Large). The Chair, the Vice-Chair, ~~the Director of Operations,~~ the Finance Director and the **three (3)** ~~two~~ Directors at Large are elected by the Members. Each Director, ~~other than the Executive Director,~~ will serve a term of three years from the date of election to the Board by the Members. ~~Director elections will be staggered so that two Directors are elected at each Annual Meeting for three year terms.~~ The Chair may serve a maximum of two three year terms as Chair.
- (b) Reference to a year or a term in subsection 5.1(a) will mean the time between Annual Meetings.
- (c) **The Board delegates to the Executive Director, subject always to the overriding authority of the Board, the authority to manage and direct the business and affairs of Hockey Alberta.**



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RATIONALE FOR CHANGE:

As a result of the Operational Structure change some of the terminology of Board positions as well as the composition of the Board have been altered. The composition of the Board requires an amendment to clearly outline that the Executive Director is not a "Board" member. This amendment will also align the changes to position titles from this Bylaw to those within the Definitions.



**2014 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
NOTICE OF MOTION**

NOTICE OF MOTION #: 6

AMENDMENT TO BYLAWS

BYLAW #: Article 5 PAGE #: 23 PARA. #: 5.13

SUBMITTED BY: Board of Directors

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: *Tony C. Eger*

CURRENT WORDING (if applicable):

5.13 Votes to Govern

Each Director present at a meeting of the Directors, other than the Executive Director, shall have one (1) vote. At all meetings of the Board, decisions shall be decided by a majority of the votes cast in favour of the decision; and in case of an equality of votes, the chairman of the meeting shall be entitled to a second vote to break the tie.

PROPOSED WORDING:

5.13 Votes to Govern

Each Director present at a meeting of the Directors, ~~other than the Executive Director~~, shall have one (1) vote. At all meetings of the Board, decisions shall be decided by a majority of the votes cast in favour of the decision; and in case of an equality of votes, the chairman of the meeting shall be entitled to a second vote to break the tie.

RATIONALE FOR CHANGE:

As a result of the Operational Structure change the position of "Executive Director" is no longer recognized as a Director of the Board.



**2014 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
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NOTICE OF MOTION #: 7

AMENDMENT TO BYLAWS

BYLAW #: Article 7 PAGE #: 24-25 PARA. #: 7.1 – 7.6

SUBMITTED BY: Board of Directors

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: *Tony C. Enger*

CURRENT WORDING (if applicable):

7.1 Officers

The Officers of Hockey Alberta shall be and consist of the following:

- (a) Chair;
- (b) Vice-Chair;
- (c) Finance Director;
- (d) Director of Hockey Operations; and
- (e) Executive Director.

7.2 Chair

The Chair shall preside and chair all General Meetings and Special Meetings and meetings of the Board and shall represent Hockey Alberta at all Hockey Canada meetings.

7.3 Vice-Chair

The Vice-Chair shall, in the absence or inability of the Chair, assume the duties of the Chair and shall, in that event, have all the powers, authority and restrictions of the Chair.

7.4 Past Chair

The Past Chair shall act in any capacity as may be required by the Board or the Chair from time to time.

7.5 Finance Director

The Finance Director will be responsible for ensuring that proper books and records are kept and maintained and that audited financial statements for Hockey Alberta are prepared and available to the Members.

7.6 Director of Hockey Operations

The Director of Hockey Operations will have such duties relating to the operation of the hockey programs of Hockey Alberta as the Directors will from time to time determine.



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PROPOSED WORDING:

7.1 Officers

The Officers of Hockey Alberta shall be and consist of the following:

- (a) Chair;
- (b) Vice-Chair;
- (c) Finance Director;
- ~~(d) Director of Hockey Operations; and~~
- ~~(e) Executive Director.~~

7.2 Chair

The Chair shall preside and chair all General Meetings and Special Meetings and meetings of the Board and shall represent Hockey Alberta at all Hockey Canada meetings.

7.3 Vice-Chair

The Vice-Chair shall, in the absence or inability of the Chair, assume the duties of the Chair and shall, in that event, have all the powers, authority and restrictions of the Chair.

~~7.4 Past Chair~~

~~The Past Chair shall act in any capacity as may be required by the Board or the Chair from time to time.~~

7.4 Finance Director

The Finance Director will be responsible for ensuring that proper books and records are kept and maintained and that audited financial statements for Hockey Alberta are prepared and available to the Members.

~~7.6 Director of Hockey Operations~~

~~The Director of Hockey Operations will have such duties relating to the operation of the hockey programs of Hockey Alberta as the Directors will from time to time determine.~~

RATIONALE FOR CHANGE:

As a result of the Operational Structure change the positions of "Director of Hockey Operations" and "Executive Director" are no longer recognized as Officers. In addition, the position of "Past Chair" was never recognized as an "Officer" and should not be included in this Bylaw.