

**WHISTLER MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION**  
(the “**Association**”)

MINUTES OF A MEETING of the Board of Directors of the Association held at Meadow Park Sports Complex at 7:04 pm (Pacific Time) on August 30, 2023.

**PRESENT:**

Louise Tomcheck (LT), Nadia Demers (ND), Norma Gonzalez Felix NGF), Chris McKinney (CM), Kevin Sopp (KS), Trish Nagakawa (TN), Wade Sutton (WS), Karen Davies (KS), Veronique Hamel (VH), Aaron Hoverd (AH), Jordan Harvey (JH)

**REGRETS:**

Todd Carter

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**BLOCK 1**

**A. Call to Order and Quorum and Declaration of Meeting**

Notice of the Meeting having been given to all the Directors of the Association, with the consent of the Meeting, Louise Tomcheck acted as Chair and Veronique Hamel acted as Recording Secretary.

The Chair noted that a quorum of the Directors was present and declared the Meeting open for the transaction of business.

**B. Approval of Agenda**

The Chair advised the Meeting that the Agenda had been previously circulated to all members of the Board and was approved as amended. (JH/WS)

**C. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting**

The minutes of the Meeting of August 9, 2023 were approved as presented. (VH/JH)

**BLOCK 2**

**D. President Report**

- Louise Tomchek reported
- Busy few weeks, lots of meetings, ice schedule and team formation
- Follow-up Lions Gate meeting on Aug 28<sup>th</sup> – still lots to organize around U7 and U9
- Goalies: either lots or missing some
- U18 scholarship tournament
- \$100 for baskets that we normally contribute

E. **Treasurer Report**

- Nothing to report

**BLOCK 3**

F. **Registration Update**

- General update on registration numbers

G. **Back to Hockey Camp**

- Registration closed
- Hard to get coaches
- Ice time needs to be adjusted

H. **Tryout Schedule**

- Update on tryout schedules for U11A and U13A

I. **U11 Female Vote**

The board made the difficult decision last night to fold the planned U11 female team for the 2023/24 season.

With only 9 players registered and four of those underaged, the board felt that there would be too much pressure on these players and their families to be hockey first at such a young age. Traveling further distances and not even having two full lines seemed to be a challenging position to put this team into.

Unfortunately, the creation of this team closely impacts the team formation and number balance of the U11 teams on the integrated side and for this reason the board decided that more time could not be given in the hopes that the female numbers could increase to a level to make this a viable option.

J. **U15 Vote**

We wanted to confirm that the ice schedule for the female team has changed slightly and you can view that schedule on our website. We can confirm that even though some players have made the decision to move over to the integrated team, we still have a very healthy-sized team and it will no longer be oversized, so everyone will be able to play every game.

Jeremy will be taking the lead on this team and he has secured some wonderful coaches to help develop this team through the course of the season.

**K. Coaching Vote**

- Update on coaching status across all teams
- Still decisions to be made

**L. U7 / U9 Assessment**

- Half-ice until January 15<sup>th</sup> then full ice

**M. Tournament Approval**

- One tournament per team until further funding confirmed

**N. Development Start Date**

- Last week of September

**L. Termination of Meeting**

- Meeting adjourned: 8:31 pm
- Next Meeting: September 12, 2023, 7:00 pm at MPSC