

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 7:03 pm (Pacific Time) on January 8, 2024.

PRESENT:

Louise Tomcheck (LT), Nadia Demers (ND), Norma Gonzalez Felix NGF), Kevin Sopp (KS), Karen Davies (KS), Aaron Hoverd (AH), Todd Carter (TC), Trish Nakagawa (TN), Wade Sutton (WS), Jordan Harvey

REGRETS:

Chris McKinney, Veronique Hamel

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 Todd Carter 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 presented. (ND/TN)

C. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings

The minutes of the Meeting of November 20, 2023 were approved as amended (AH/KS).

BLOCK 2

D. Bears Q+A with Mike Borelli

- Q: Dynamics of team structure next year.
- A: Pending “intent to play” and reviewing which players are interested across age groups – 2010 to 2007 years. Letters will go out soon. Assess landscape wrt skill. Hard to know right now. Mike makes recommendation to Squamish and Whistler associations. Boards will assess various other factors including registration numbers and ice time to get to a decision.
- Q: Would like to understand fee structure for AP.

- A: Initially \$285 for practice ice time and jersey but was adjusted down ... and also to confirm commitment. Development is separate because of additional resources.
- Q: How is it decided who is invited when a Bears team requires an AP player.
- A: May pull from C team same age group or rep player from lower division. Will mostly be determined by specific needs of the Bears team at that particular time – skill, size, speed, strength, position etc.
- Q: Can we expect improved communication and more transparency.
- A: Monthly newsletter is a good idea.
- Q: Would Bears consider applying for BC Gaming grants to help subsidize budget.
- A: Good idea. Teams are open to deploy fundraising dollars in the best way they determine to complement the program. Mike has a strict on-ice budget that is funded by fees.

E. President Report

- Major discipline challenge with one of the Bears teams – way beyond what should have to be dealt with by the Presidents of both associations alone. Way too much time. In the future, need to leverage the resources around the respective boards.

F. Treasurer Report

- Revenue a bit lower than anticipated due to cancelled fundraising event.
- Development spending continues to be significantly under budget.
- Consider Spring Break development camp – need to consider ice time and U13 provincials. Would likely not work for U15 and U18 teams.
- Can use budget funds to pay for accommodations for out-of-town coaches, if required.

BLOCK 3

G. Jersey Update

- Red jerseys have landed and will be distributed to team lockers.
- Encouraged to use same number allocations for white jerseys.

H. Tournament Funds

- Some teams weren't able to book a second tournament because of funding uncertainty.
- Unused tournament funds can't be redeployed.
- Reminder that surplus development funds still available.

I. PCAHA Semi-Annual AGM

- Virtual meeting Sunday, January 28 at 9:30 am.

J. Other Business + In Camera

L. Termination of Meeting

- Meeting adjourned: 8:23 pm
- Next Meeting: February 12, 2024, 7:00 pm at MPSC