

BC Hockey

Board of Directors Meeting

October 26, 2015

Video Conference

In Attendance

Members:	Randy Henderson	Chair of the Board
	Rick Boekestyn	Director
	Dawn Bursey	Director
	Bill Greene	Director
	Andrew Jakubeit	Director
	Darryl Lerum	Director
	Neil McNabb	Director
	Bill Veenstra	Director
Regrets:	Chuck Campbell	Director
Observers:	Barry Petrachenko	Chief Executive Officer (CEO)
	Bill Ennos	Director, Programs
	Jeremy Ainsworth	Director, Operations
	Carla Soares	Director, Finance & Administration

OPENING REMARKS

Randy Henderson welcomed everyone to the webinar and the meeting started at 7:07pm.

Meeting Agenda and Schedule

Motion 2015-10 01:

That the agenda be approved as presented.

(Greene/Jakubeit)

Carried

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Motion 2015-10 02:

That the minutes of the September 28, 2015 Board of Directors meeting be approved.

(McNabb/Greene)

Carried

POLL APPROVAL CONFIRMATIONS

Motion 2015-10 03:

That the following Board of Directors approved polls be read into the minutes:

MOTION: 2015-0156BoD That the following individuals be appointed to the Male Midget AAA Committee for the 2015-16 season:

Todd Harkins
David Michaud
Adam Hayduk
Fred Zweep

MOTION: 2015-0157BoD That the following requests from non-members to participate within BC Hockey programming be approved for the 2015-2016 season.

Eastern Washington University
Palouse Youth Hockey Association
Inland Empire Hockey Association
Kootenai Youth Recreation Organization

MOTION: 2015-0158BoD To approve an adjustment to Policy 1.16 – Residential Waivers (addition of Surrey Female Hockey Association as an adjacent association to South Delta Minor Hockey Association).

MOTION: 2015-0160BoD That the following be approved for the Minor Coordinator positions:

Bonnie Cameron – Discipline Coordinator
June McKenzie – Operations Coordinator
Deborah Turney – Championships Coordinator
Carol McGregor – Communications/Relations Coordinator

MOTION: 2015-0161BoD That the Victoria Phantoms Senior Female A team be approved to change their name to the Island Surge.

MOTION: 2015-0165BoD That the Simon Fraser University Senior Female A team be approved to change their name to the Burnaby United Hockey Club.

MOTION: 2015-0166BoD That Trevor Bast be approved as the Senior Male Coordinator position for the 2015-16 season.

MOTION: 2015-0167BoD That the membership application of the North Island Capitals Senior Male AA Team be approved to begin play in the 2015-2016 season.

MOTION: 2015-0168BoD To approve the following Host Sites for the BC Hockey Championships for the 2015-16 season:

Juvenile: Ridge Meadows
Midget Tier 2: Prince George
Midget Tier 3: Sunshine Coast
Midget Tier 4: Port Alberni
Bantam Tier 3: Smithers

MOTION: 2015-0169BoD That the following Female Midget AAA Committee Members be approved:

Mischa Polzin:	Coaching
Guido Lamberti-Charles	College Alignment
Cody Kusch	Concussion and Health Management
Brooke Sullivan	Off-ice Conditioning and Nutrition
Wallace C Murray	Strategic and Marketing Development

(Jakubeit/McNabb)

Carried

BOARD BUSINESS

Branch Forum Items

Randy Henderson updated the Directors that the Western Branch Presidents have put together a request to review how the services provided are broken down between Hockey Canada, the Branches and the Minor Hockey Associations. There is a desire to clarify who takes on which roles. A meeting has been set for November 2 with Tom Renney and Joe Drago to discuss the matter further and have this added to the Branch Forum. The long-term goal is to have responsibilities laid out to avoid duplication and ensure accountability. It was also noted that an agenda has not been provided yet for the Branch Forum, once received it will be circulated to the group for feedback.

Hockey Canada Board of Directors Election

Randy Henderson reviewed the list of nominees with the group. The Directors were asked to review the resumes and provide feedback to Randy by November 10.

Hockey Canada Playing Rule Change Motions

Randy Henderson reviewed the 16 proposed rule change motions that will be addressed at the Hockey Canada Winter Congress in November. The Board of Directors went through each motion and agreed with the feedback given by the Officiating Committee for all. There was a request for clarification on Motion #4 regarding Rule 7.3(b), as to why the proposed wording omits the reference to a penalty for "interference with the goaltender".¹

BC Hockey Task Group Appointments

Barry Petrachenko informed the Board of Directors that districts have put forward staff, board members and district presidents to serve on Minor Hockey Task Groups. Discussion followed on whether this was the intent for these work groups and whether there was any concern. The group clarified that all individuals conducting business for BC Hockey must identify when a conflict arises and any potential conflict situations must be addressed prior to appointment.

Barry Petrachenko updated on the status of the various task groups, noting that the Operations and the Discipline Task Groups have been named, and that we are still looking for members for the Championships and the Relations/Communications Task Groups. It was also noted that the Vancouver Island Amateur Hockey Association provided us with Vancouver Island members for all four task groups today.

Truth and Reconciliation Workgroup

Randy Henderson updated the Board of Directors that there have not been any further meetings on this topic to date, but the feedback from Hockey Canada has been positive. It was also noted that the recent change in government may result in additional funding for these initiatives. Randy Henderson will be meeting with Dawn Bursey, Bill Greene, Aaron Hoffman and Ben Berland to develop some direction and a recommendation for the Board of Directors consideration. Then we will establish a Work Group for the Truth and Reconciliation initiative.

Standing Committee Member Appointments

Randy Henderson reminded the group of the importance behind populating the Standing Committees and asked that any Committee Chairs struggling to find members contact him for assistance. It was noted that the Standing Committees need to be in place for the Board to be effective.

Suspension Guidelines Feedback Process

Randy Henderson informed the group that a report will be provided to Hockey Canada in June on feedback with regard to the graduated suspension guidelines. Directors were asked to forward anything on that they may hear of and it was noted that the Discipline Task Group and the Minor Committee should be asked to do the same.

1. Clarification on proposed wording to Hockey Canada Playing Rule Change Motion #4:

The current wording suggests that all goals scored while an attacking player is in the crease shall be disallowed regardless whether that player has any influence on the play or inhibits the goaltender's ability to stop the puck. The proposed wording allows for a referee to make a judgment call to allow a goal when an attacking player is in the crease if the player's position has no effect on the play.

The current wording is basically how the NHL rule was worded in the late 90's when goals were being disallowed with regularity because a player had a toe in the crease or was standing in the crease making no impact on the play. We instruct officials to allow goals in these situations currently, disregarding the rule because there is no logical rationale to penalize the team when the player is not inhibiting their opponent from defending the goal. The proposed wording would bring the interpretation in line with all other levels of hockey and would reduce the number of disallowed goals.

Goaltender interference is still covered under rule 7.3. This change only references instances when a player is in the crease but does not make contact with the goaltender.

OPERATIONS REPORT

An update was provided from Barry Petrachenko on reports provided in the meeting e-binder, staffing turnover, timing of the September 30 quarterly finance report, the 2016-2017 budget development, the Canucks Centre for BC Hockey, enhanced services webinars, the ViaSport evaluation meeting and gender equity efforts, and the “confidential” Human Rights Tribunal case. Discussion followed with regard to online officiating recertification and the use of the 4-man officiating system for the U18 Cup.

ADJOURNMENT

Randy Henderson reminded the group to provide feedback on the Hockey Canada nominations and the meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.