



BY-LAW NOTICE OF MOTIONS

ANNUAL MEETING OF MEMBERS

SEPTEMBER 10 2024

MEMORANDUM

TO: Avalon Minor Hockey Association Members
FROM: Justin Clark, Executive Director, AMHA
DATE: August 11 2024
RE: 2024 Amendments to the By Laws of Avalon Minor Hockey Association

Please find enclosed additions, amendments or repeals to the Avalon Minor Hockey Association By-Laws that will be presented and voted on during the 2024 Meeting of the Members taking place Tuesday September 10 2024

PROPOSED ADDITIONS TO BY LAWS

6.2 Elections – Elections for each Director shall be decided in accordance with the following:

1) President:

a) In the event of one (1) Valid Nomination for the position of President – The Voting Members shall be eligible to cast a ballot for the nominated individual by voting for said nominee or abstaining from the vote. The nominated individual shall be declared elected as the President upon receiving a majority of the votes cast. If the nominated individual does not receive a majority of the votes cast, the President position shall remain vacant and be filled in accordance with Section 4.3 (c) of these By-Laws.

b) In the event of more than One (1) Valid Nomination for the position of President – If there is more than one (1) nominated individual for the office of President, the Voting Members shall be eligible to cast a ballot indicating their choice for President or abstain from voting. The nominated individual that receives a majority of the votes cast shall be declared elected as the President. If no nominated individual receives a majority of the votes cast after the first vote, the nominated individual with the lowest number of votes cast in their favour shall be eliminated from the subsequent ballot until there is only one (1) nominated individual left on the ballot. The nominated individual shall be declared elected as the President upon receiving a majority of the votes cast. If the nominated individual does not receive a majority of the votes cast, the President position shall remain vacant and be filled in accordance with Section 4.3 (c) of these By-Laws.

2) Vice-President:

a) In the event of one (1) Valid Nomination for each of the Vice-President Positions – The Voting Members shall be eligible to cast a ballot for the nominated individual by voting for said nominee or abstaining from the vote. The nominated individual shall be declared elected as the Vice-President upon receiving a majority of the votes cast. If the nominated individual does not receive a majority of the votes cast, the Vice-President position shall remain vacant and be filled in accordance with Section 4.3 (c) of these By-Laws.

b) In the event of more than One (1) Valid Nomination for the Vice-President Position – If there is more than one (1) nominated individual for the office of Vice-President, the Voting Members shall be eligible to cast a ballot indicating their choice for Vice-President or abstain from voting. The nominated individual that receives a majority of the votes cast shall be declared elected as the Vice-President. If no nominated individual receives a majority of the votes cast after the first vote, the nominated individual with the lowest number of votes cast in their favour shall be eliminated from the subsequent ballot until there is only one (1) nominated individual left on the ballot. The nominated individual shall be declared elected as the Vice-President upon receiving a majority of the votes cast. If the nominated individual does not receive a majority of the votes cast, the Vice-President position shall remain vacant and be filled in accordance with Section 4.3 (c) of these By-Laws.

3) Director:

a) In the event of one (1) Valid Nomination for Each Vacant Director Position – For an election where there is only one (1) valid nomination for each vacant Director position, an election will be held for each vacant Director position. For each election, the Voting Members shall be eligible to cast a ballot for one (1) of the nominated individuals by voting for said nominee or abstaining from the vote. The nominated individual shall be declared elected as a Director upon receiving a majority of the votes cast. If the nominated individual does not receive a majority of the votes cast, the Director position shall remain vacant and be filled in accordance with Section 4.3 (c) of these By-Laws. The process shall be repeated for each vacant Director position.

b) In the event of more than One (1) Valid Nominations for Each Vacant Director Position – The Voting Members shall conduct a vote by ballot for each vacant Director position. If there are more nominated individuals than vacant Director positions, the Voting Members shall be eligible to cast a ballot indicating their first choice for the Director position from the pool of all eligible individuals nominated or abstain from voting. The nominated individual that receives the majority of the votes cast shall be declared elected as Director. If no nominated individual receives a majority of the votes cast after a vote, the nominated individual with the lowest number of votes received shall be eliminated from subsequent ballots until a nominated individual has received a majority of the votes cast. If no nominated individual receives a majority of the votes cast, the Director position shall remain vacant and be filled in accordance with Section 4.3 (c) of these By-Laws. This process shall be repeated for each vacant Director position.

Rationale: To align AMHA By Laws with Hockey NL and Hockey Canada By Laws

AMENDMENTS TO BY LAWS

4.3 BOARD COMPOSITION

Current Wording

4.3 The Association shall consist of the following Board Members, six Executive positions, four Director positions, and one Past President for a total of 11 board members, all of whom shall be voting members in good standing of the Association except the Past President and Executive Director which will have non-voting status. The Board shall be made up of the following:

- President (voting member)
- Vice President – Operations (voting member)
- Vice President – Competitive (voting member)
- Vice President – Recreational (voting member)
- Treasurer (voting member)
- Registrar/Secretary (voting member)
- Director (voting member)
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- Past President (Non-voting member)
- Executive Director (Non-voting member and invited to attend board meetings)

Proposed Wording

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- Registrar/Secretary (voting member)
- Director - U7 & U9 Hockey
- Director - U11 & U13 Hockey
- Director - U15 & U18 Hockey
- Director - Girls Hockey
- Past President (Non-voting member)
- Executive Director (Non-voting member and invited to attend board meetings)

Rationale: To align AMHA Board structure with similar Eastern Zone peer Associations and assign specific hockey related roles to Director positions and foster development of the respective Divisions