



NOTICE OF MOTIONS

2021 Annual General Meeting



RESOLUTION SUBMISSION PROCEDURE

Resolutions are an important opportunity for Members to participate in the shaping of BC Hockey. The Resolution Submission Procedure is to detail clear rules and a transparent process for resolutions to be brought forward at General Meetings.

Parties and Responsibilities

The parties involved in the process and their responsibilities are:

- 1) Sponsoring Member of the Resolution
 - a. submit resolution in plain English that demonstrates the intent of the proposed resolution together with any additional important background and support identifying any opposition to existing BC Hockey bylaws, regulations, policies, programs or practices and the proposed outcome of the resolution if accepted.
 - b. provide point of contact information for communications.
 - c. be available for communications regarding the resolution.

Note: Resolutions can be submitted at any time however the timeliest is January 1 to March 1 each year. Resolutions received after the March 1 deadline are considered for the following year's Annual General Meeting.

- 2) Governance Committee
 - a. review and identify validity and any issues or concerns with proposed resolutions
 - b. communicate any identified issues and concerns to the Sponsoring Member together with any recommended amendments/changes to alleviate such issues and concerns
 - c. if desired by the Sponsoring Member, assist to make any desired amendments to the proposed resolution
 - d. advise the Board of Directors of any issues or concerns and make recommendations regarding each resolution
 - e. create the resolutions package to be circulated to the Members which shall include, for each resolution, a history of the formation and development of the resolution outlining:
 - i. in the case of Member's resolutions, the Sponsoring Member of each resolution, all steps taken to finalize the resolution and any unresolved issues or concerns;
 - ii. in the case of Board generated resolutions, how the resolution was initiated and all steps taken to finalize the resolution;
 - iii. each committee or group that reviewed the proposed resolution and any issues or concerns they identified together with such committee's recommendation;
 - iv. Board of Directors review and any issues or concerns identified together with the Board's recommendation; and
 - v. if the Board of Directors recommends that a resolution is out of order, the resolution package shall clearly identify the Board's recommendation and the reasons for such recommendation and the procedural rules for out order motions.
- 3) Board of Directors
 - a. review resolutions and recommendations from the Governance Committee
 - b. identify any issues or concerns with resolutions moving forward for the Annual General Meeting and obtain appropriate input and expert advice regarding same
 - c. approve the resolutions package so that it may be circulated to the Members at least 30 days prior to the Annual General Meeting
- 4) Members
 - a. Debate and vote at Annual General Meetings



**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING
PROCEDURES POLICY**

I. INTERPRETATION

1. This is a policy of the Board.
2. Annual and Special General Meetings take place as set out in BC Hockey’s Bylaws and Regulations.
3. All General Meetings are chaired by the Chair of the Board for BC Hockey, as defined in Bylaw 101(e).

II. MEETING PROCEDURES

4. The Chair calls the meeting to order and may make announcements or comments. The Agenda is proposed as distributed. Any modification, change of order or addition is received by the Chair and accepted or rejected by the members present at the meeting.
5. The business of the meeting should be conducted through: a) the proposal of motions to be debated; b) reports of persons or Committees; c) questions.
6. Any person who wishes to speak to a motion must be recognized by the Chair. Once recognized, he or she is said to “have the floor”. Discussion on a debated motion must be relevant to the subject, impersonal and directed to the Chair. If the speaker fails to adhere strictly to the subject in a courteous, expeditious manner, or otherwise violates the rules of order, he or she shall be warned. If the speaker persists the Chair may rule him or her “out of order”, thereby withdrawing the right to speak to the motion.
7. The time allowed for discussion may be limited, within reason, by the Chair or by the meeting. It is advised that every speaker indicate whether he or she is for or against the motion. If the discussion has continued for a reasonable time, and the viewpoint for or against the question has been given, the Chair may ask for a motion to terminate the discussion or “call the question” (move the previous question).
8. No member shall speak more than once on the same question without consent of the Chair, except in explanation of a material part of a speech which may have been misconstrued, and in doing so the member shall not introduce new information. Members speaking to a question will be allotted three (3) minutes each time they speak. Members will not speak for a second time until all other members have had an opportunity to speak for the first time.
9. The Chair shall preserve order and decide points of order which may arise.
10. The Chair may, at his or her discretion, call for a recess.

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Resolution 2021-01 NOTICE OF MOTION

Article: ALL BYLAWS AND REGULATIONS **Paragraph:**

SUBMITTED BY: BC Hockey Board of Directors

SUBJECT MATTER OF RESOLUTION:

To change the names of BC Hockey’s age division classifications to be consistent with the names of Hockey Canada age division classification names.

CURRENT AGE CLASSIFICATION NAMES:	PROPOSED AGE CLASSIFICATION NAMES:
Juvenile	U21
Midget	U18
Bantam	U15
Pewee	U13
Atom	U11
Novice	U9
Initiation	U7

RESOLUTIONS:

To adopt Hockey Canada’s age division naming convention for BC Hockey and make all necessary changes for all purposes to BC Hockey’s Bylaws, Regulations, Policies, Playing Rules and any other documentation used by BC Hockey so that the names of BC Hockey’s age division classifications are consistent with the names of Hockey Canada age division classifications.

RATIONALE:

Hockey Canada, like many sports organizations in North America, recently conducted a review of its age division classification names. As a result, new age division classification names were implemented by Hockey Canada for the 2020-2021 season. BC Hockey has not yet adopted the Hockey Canada age division classifications.

BC Hockey, as a Hockey Canada member branch, should align its age division classification names with those of Hockey Canada and other Hockey Canada member branches.

REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Governance Committee: The Governance Committee drafted the necessary changes to the Bylaws and Regulations at the request of the Board and recommended to the Board that Resolution 2021-01 be presented to the Voting Members for adoption at the 2021 Annual General Meeting.

Board of Directors: The Board recommends the Members adopt Resolution 2021-01.

Operations (CEO): The CEO recommends the Members adopt Resolution 2021-01.

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Resolution 2021-02 NOTICE OF MOTION

Bylaw: 201, new 206, 301, 402, 803, 806 and 806 **Paragraph:** 8.
Regulation: 1.04, 1.07, 3.04 and Appendix A Fees

SUBMITTED BY: BC Hockey Board of Directors

SUBJECT MATTER OF RESOLUTION:

To add Hockey Canada Accredited Schools as voting members of BC Hockey as result of Hockey Canada’s new Hockey Canada Accredited Schools Policy which requires Hockey Canada Accredited Schools to be members of the Hockey Canada Member Branch in which they operate. The Bylaws and Regulations need to be amended to make Hockey Canada Accredited Schools voting members of BC Hockey as well as any and all necessary amendments dealing with the consequences of Hockey Canada Accredited Schools being made voting members of BC Hockey.

CURRENT WORDING:

Currently Hockey Canada Accredited Schools, formerly named Hockey Canada Sports Schools, are not voting members of BC Hockey. They are Associate Members registered via the Minor Hockey Association they are affiliated with.

Bylaws 201, new 206, 301, 402, 803, 804, 806 are affected by adding Hockey Canada Accredited Schools and removing Category S.

Regulations 1.04, 1.07, 3.04, and Appendix A Fees.

PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS:

To make Hockey Canada Accredited Schools voting members of BC Hockey and make such necessary amendments to the Bylaws and Regulations to carry this out and deal with the consequences of Hockey Canada Accredited Schools as Voting Members. The necessary Amendments to the Bylaws and Regulations are as follows:

Amend Bylaw 201 to add an additional class of voting members called Hockey Canada Accredited Schools, so that Bylaw 201 will now read as follows:

Amended Bylaw 201 – The Society shall have ~~nine (9)~~ **ten (10)** classes of Members which shall be the following:

- a. Amateur Senior and Junior Teams (voting)
- b. Amateur Hockey Leagues (voting)

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- c. Amateur Hockey Associations (voting)
- d. Minor Hockey Teams (voting)
- e. Amateur District Hockey Associations (voting)
- f. District Hockey Leagues (voting)
- g. Associate Members (non-voting)
- h. Honourary Life Members (non-voting)
- i. Directors (voting)
- j. **Hockey Canada Accredited Schools (voting)**

Amend Bylaw 205 to remove the "S category" so that Bylaw 205 will now read as follows:

Amended Bylaw 205 – Each Minor Hockey Team registered, at the A ~~or S~~ category, and playing at the U13, U15, U18 or U21 Division, and affiliated with a Minor Hockey Association which is a member in good standing shall be a Member of the Society.

Create New Bylaw 206 to read as follows:

New Bylaw 206 – Each Hockey Canada Accredited School certified by BC Hockey which is a Proper Entity in good standing shall be a Member of the Society.

Amend Bylaw 301 to add Hockey Canada Accredited Schools so Bylaw 301 reads as follows:

Amended Bylaw 301 – Any person or similar entity registered with the Society or any of its Members, or any person, affiliated with or associated with, in any capacity whatsoever, any club, team, league, **Hockey Canada Accredited School** or similar entity participating in games or activities of any kind sponsored or organized by the Society or any of its Members, including but not limited to the parents or legal guardians of any minor aged participant registered in the Society programming, shall not have membership status in the Society but, rather, shall be referred to throughout these Bylaws.

Amend Bylaw 402 to add Hockey Canada Accredited Schools so Bylaw 402 reads as follows:

Amended Bylaw 402 - Delegates to all Annual and Special General Meetings shall be affiliated with the Member which they represent. No delegate shall be admitted to the Annual or Special General Meeting unless that Delegate has presented to the Society’s Credentials Committee Work Group a certificate of the Delegate’s appointment signed by the President or Secretary of the Delegate’s Team, League, Association, **Hockey Canada Accredited School** or District Association. The Delegate for a Minor Hockey Team shall be appointed by the Amateur Hockey Association with which the Minor Hockey Team is affiliated, and the Delegate for a District Hockey League shall be appointed by the Amateur District Hockey Association with which the District Hockey League is affiliated.

Amend Bylaw 803b. to add Hockey Canada Accredited Schools so Bylaw 803b. reads as follows:

Amended Bylaw 803b. – any decision of a local Team, League, **Hockey Canada Accredited School**, or Association that is contrary to the Bylaws or Regulations of the Society; however, a decision made upon a Game Protest is final and cannot be appealed to the Appeal Committee.

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Amend Bylaw 804 to add Hockey Canada Accredited Schools so Bylaw 804 reads as follows:

Amended Bylaw 804 - An appeal to the Appeal Committee from the decision of a local Team, League, **Hockey Canada Accredited School**, or Association may only be taken after all levels of appeal provided within the Bylaws and Regulations of the Team, League, **Hockey Canada Accredited School** or Association in question have been exhausted.

Amend Bylaw 806 to add Hockey Canada Accredited Schools so Bylaw 806 reads as follows:

Amended Bylaw 806 - The Appeal Committee may, upon the hearing of an appeal, re-admit any Member or Registered Participant of any Team, League, **Hockey Canada Accredited School** or Association and may uphold or modify any decision under appeal.

Amend Regulation 1.04 to add Hockey Canada Accredited Schools so that Regulation 1.04 reads as follows:

Amended Regulation 1.04 – An Amateur Senior or Junior team, Amateur Hockey League, Amateur Hockey Association, Amateur District Hockey Association, **Hockey Canada Accredited School** or Associate Member whose application for membership has been approved by the Society, or who having been a Member of BC Hockey in the previous membership year, is entitled to return as a Member, shall acquire membership for each membership year by registering with the Chief Executive Officer no later than May 31.

Amend Regulation 1.07 to add Hockey Canada Accredited Schools so that Regulation 1.07 reads as follows:

Amended Regulation 1.07 - All applications for new membership, relocation or reclassification from all Teams, Leagues, Amateur Hockey Associations, **Hockey Canada Accredited Schools** and Amateur District Hockey Associations shall be submitted to the Chief Executive Officer.

Amend Regulation 3.04 to change HCSS to Hockey Canada Accredited School so that Regulation 3.04 reads as follows:

Amended Regulation 3.04 - All Head Coaches registered to teams leading to competition in regional or national championships (including all ~~HCSS~~ **Hockey Canada Accredited School** registered teams) must either be trained or certified at the High Performance 1 level by December 1 of the current season. All assistant coaches must be trained or certified at the Development 1 level by December 1 of the current season.

NOTE: Commencing in the 2016-2017 season all Junior A Head Coaches will be required to be trained or certified at the High Performance 1 level.

Amend Appendix A Schedule of Fees and Assessments to change the name of Hockey Canada Sports School to Hockey Canada Accredited School.

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RATIONALE:

Hockey Canada approved a new Hockey Canada Accredited School Policy (the “HCAS Policy”) in February, 2020. The HCAS Policy is to be read and construed in accordance with Hockey Canada Regulation 1 which specifically sets out criteria about Hockey Canada’s Schools Programs.

The HCAS Policy outlines the criteria and the application process for Hockey Canada Accredited Schools to apply to Hockey Canada Member Branches, including BC Hockey, for membership and provides that HCAS programs shall operate in accordance with the by-laws and regulations of the Member in whose geographic region they are located.

BC Hockey, like all Hockey Canada Member Branches, is required to follow Hockey Canada’s By-laws, Regulations and Policies. BC Hockey has also developed further criteria and policies with respect to Hockey Canada Accredited Schools to ensure that they comply with BC Hockey requirements as well as Hockey Canada requirements.

REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Governance Committee: The Governance Committee drafted the necessary changes to the Bylaws and Regulations at the request of the Board and recommended to the Board that Resolution 2021-02 be presented to the Members for adoption at the 2021 Annual General Meeting.

Board of Directors: The Board recommends the Members adopt Resolution 2021-02.

Operations (CEO): The CEO recommends the Members adopt Resolution 2021-02.

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Resolution 2021-03 **NOTICE OF MOTION**

Bylaw: 504, new bylaw 532, 542 **Paragraph:** a.

SUBMITTED BY: BC Hockey Board of Directors

SUBJECT MATTER OF RESOLUTION

To set a minimum of two (2) male and two (2) female directors on the Board of Directors.

CURRENT WORDING:

Bylaw 504 – The Board shall consist of:

- a) nine (9) Directors elected by the Members; and
- b) up to one (1) Director appointed by the elected Directors.

Bylaw 542 – Where a vacancy occurs on the Board, the following procedures shall apply:

- a) The Board shall notify the Chair of the Nominating Committee, who shall then solicit nominations from the Members for candidates to fill the vacancy.
- b) The Board shall elect from the list provided a Director to act on an interim basis until the next Annual General Meeting.
- c) The Members shall fill the vacancy at the next Annual General Meeting, using the election procedure described previously.

PROPOSED CHANGES:

Amend Bylaw 504 to set the requirement for a minimum of two (2) male and two (2) female directors and further provide that any vacancies arising because the number of male or female nominees is insufficient will not invalidate the Board or its activities so that Bylaw 504 will read as follows:

Amended Bylaw 504 – The Board shall consist of:

- a) nine (9) Directors elected by the Members, **including a minimum of two (2) male and two (2) female Directors**; and
- b) up to one (1) Director appointed by the elected Directors.

Any vacancies on the Board of Directors arising because the number of male or female nominees is insufficient to fill the minimum of two (2) male and two (2) female Directors will not invalidate the Board or the activities of the Board because of such vacancies.

NOTE: BC Hockey welcomes all people including those who may not identify as male or female. Nominees for positions on the Board will not be required to declare gender.

Create New Bylaw 532 to deal with the election of a minimum of two (2) male and two (2) female Directors which will read as follows:

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New Bylaw 532 – All elections shall be conducted in such a way to ensure the Board of Directors consists of a minimum of two (2) male and two (2) female directors. In the event the number of male or female nominees is insufficient to fill the minimum of two (2) male and two (2) female Directors, sufficient positions on the Board of Directors required to maintain a minimum of two (2) male and two (2) female will be left open at the time of elections and filled by the elected Board of Directors as soon as possible pursuant to Bylaw 542.

Amend Bylaw 542 to provide for a minimum of two (2) male and two (2) female Directors so that Bylaw 542 reads as follows:

Amended Bylaw 542 – Where a vacancy occurs on the Board, the following procedures shall apply:

- a) The Board shall notify the Chair of the Nominating Committee, who shall then solicit nominations from the Members to fill the vacancy, **taking into account the requirement to have a minimum of two (2) male and two (2) female Directors;**
- b) The Board shall, **taking into account the requirement to have a minimum of two (2) male and two (2) female Directors,** elect from the list provided a Director to act on an interim basis until the next Annual General Meeting.
- c) The Members shall fill the vacancy at the next Annual General Meeting, using the election procedure described previously.

RATIONALE:

Following Hockey Canada’s lead, it is desirable to have a minimum of two (2) male directors and a minimum of two (2) female directors.

REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Governance Committee: The Governance Committee drafted the necessary changes to the Bylaws and Regulations at the request of the Board and recommended to the Board that Resolution 2021-03 be presented to the Members for adoption at the 2021 Annual General Meeting.

Board of Directors: The Board recommends the Members adopt Resolution 2021-03.

Operations (CEO): The CEO recommends the Members adopt Resolution 2021-03.

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Resolution 2021-04 NOTICE OF MOTION

Regulation: Appendix A5 – Appeal Fees

SUBMITTED BY: BC Hockey Board of Directors

SUBJECT MATTER OF RESOLUTION

To change the right of in-person appeals to be available only at the discretion of BC Hockey.

CURRENT WORDING:

Schedule of Fees and Assessments

5. Appeal Fees

- Hearing via conference call \$300
- In-person hearing \$1000

PROPOSED CHANGES:

Amend Section 5 of the Schedule of Fees and Assessments to delete the existing conference call and in-person fees (which create the right for a Registered Participant to choose its hearing process) to add a general fee for all appeals so that Section 5. Appeal Fees reads as follows:

5. Appeal Fees

- ~~Hearing via conference call \$300~~
- ~~In-person hearing \$1000~~
- **Filing fee for appeal \$500.00 plus costs associated with the appeal process.**

RATIONALE:

Note: The 2019-2020 Handbook contained a typo that prematurely eliminated the in-person appeal hearing fee.

BC Hockey experienced some lengthy in-person appeals that were time consuming and very expensive but added very little value to the adjudication of the appeal. The Governance Committee was asked to review possible changes or removal of in-person appeals as an appeal option. The Governance Committee examined the following:

- *BC Hockey Bylaw Eight – Dispute Resolution*
- *BC Hockey Regulation 9 – Appeal Procedure*
- *BC Hockey Regulation 9 – Appendix A-5 Appeal Fees*
- *BC Hockey Forms – Notice of Application for Appeal*

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In addition, the review also considered information from Hockey Canada and Sport Dispute Resolution Centre of Canada as well as BC Hockey’s experience with in-person hearings.

The option of utilizing technology such as video conferencing has greatly expanded in recent years has the benefit of reducing costs and reaching remote areas that would otherwise have to travel. At the time of the creation of the existing procedure video conferencing was either in its infancy or simply wasn’t an option.

In-person appeals should remain a hearing option depending on the circumstances. However, the decision determining the process to be used for all appeals including in-person appeals should be that of BC Hockey, not the appellant. BC Hockey will make the decision based on the appellant’s request and criteria such as cost, availability and what is needed for the proper adjudication of the appeal to be outlined in resources accompanying the Notice of Application for Appeal.

The Notice of Application for Appeal form has been updated to include an information section, reference to an additional document(s), and resource(s) that can fully explain the process and party obligations, including financial, specific to the type of hearing approved by BC Hockey and agreed to by all parties.

REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Governance Committee: Recommends that Regulation 9 Appendix A-5 be changed by resolution to include only one fee for initiating an appeal through the Notice of Application for Appeal. The purpose of this change is to indicate that the administrative fee for the Appeal Application is independent from the type of hearing and the ramifications, including financial, of the actual appeal.

Board of Directors: The Board recommends the Members adopt Resolution 2021-04.

Operations (CEO): The CEO recommends the Members adopt Resolution 2021-04.

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Resolution 2021-05 NOTICE OF MOTION

Bylaw: _____ **Paragraph:** _____

SUBMITTED BY: _____ **BC Hockey Board of Directors**

SUBJECT MATTER OF RESOLUTION

To require all Voting Members, except Directors or Minor Hockey Teams or Voting Members specifically exempted by the Board in writing, to be proper entities in good standing beginning from the 2022 – 2023 Hockey Season. For Amateur District Hockey Associations and Amateur Hockey Associations this means societies incorporated under the *Societies Act*. For Amateur Hockey Leagues, Amateur Senior and Junior Teams, District Hockey Leagues and Hockey Canada Accredited Schools this means societies under the *Societies Act*, corporations under the *Business Corporations Act*, schools under the *School Act*, schools under the *Independent Schools Act*, partnerships registered under the *Partnership Act* and Sole Proprietorships where the operator is personally liable.

CURRENT WORDING:

Currently there are no requirements in the Bylaws or Regulations that require Members to be a proper entity and maintain their registration in good standing. New Members must be registered entities but are not required to maintain such status in good standing.

RESOLUTION:

To require all Voting Members, except Directors and Minor Hockey Teams or Voting Members specifically exempted by the Board in writing, to maintain their registration as a proper entity in good standing under appropriate BC or Federal legislation such as the *Societies Act, Business Corporations Act, School Act, Independent Schools Act or Partnership Act* and make any and all amendments to the Bylaws and Regulations to carry out same. This will include a consequence that the Voting Member will not be in good standing if they fail to maintain the registration of their entity in good standing. The required changes to the Bylaws and Regulations are as follows:

New Definition added as 101(k) as follows (and change the numbering in Bylaw 101 as required):

New Definition 101.k. – Proper Entity – an entity properly created and registered under applicable B.C. or federal legislation, and any amendments thereto, such as: a Society properly incorporated under the *Societies Act*; a Corporation properly incorporated under the *Business Corporations Act*; a Partnership or Limited Partnership formed under the *Partnership Act*; a School or Independent School registered under the *School Act or Independent Schools Act* and any other entity certified by BC Hockey to be a Proper Entity.

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New Bylaw 215 creating an obligation on each Voting Member, other than a Director or Minor Hockey Team or Voting Member specifically exempted by the Board in writing, to be a Proper Entity in good standing to read as follows:

New Bylaw 215 – Beginning from the 2022 – 2023 Hockey Season, each Voting Member, other than a Director or Minor Hockey Team or other Voting Member specifically exempted by BC Hockey in writing, must:

- a. be a Proper Entity; and
- b. maintain its registration as a Proper Entity in good standing.

Amend Bylaw 226 to add the requirement for Voting Members, except Directors and Minor Hockey Teams or other Voting Members specifically exempted in writing, to maintain their registration as a Proper Entity in good standing so that Bylaw 226 reads as follows:

Amended Bylaw 226 - All Members are in good standing other than a Member, that:

- a. fails to pay, when due, annual membership dues, if any, or any other debt owing to the Society and the Member is not in good standing so long as the debt remains unpaid;
- b. **beginning from the 2022 – 2023 Hockey Season, if required, fails to be a Proper Entity in good standing; or**
- c. **has been suspended by its regulator.**

New Regulation 1.04 to add the requirement for Voting Members, except Directors and Minor Hockey Teams or other Voting Members specifically exempted by the Board in writing, to be a Proper Entity in good standing so that Regulation 1.04 reads as follows:

New Regulation 1.04 – Beginning from the 2022 – 2023 Hockey Season, all Voting Members, other than Directors or Minor Hockey Teams or Voting Members specifically exempted by the Board in writing, must be a Proper Entity and maintain its registration as a Proper Entity in good standing.

RATIONALE:

To ensure quality hockey programming for the benefit of all registered participants, each Member of BC Hockey must operate using proper organizational structures and good governance strategies and strive to achieve excellence. Failure to do so, can leave the Member’s operations and assets vulnerable and expose the Member and BC Hockey to liability and diminish the public’s perception and trust in the Member, BC Hockey and hockey as a whole.

BC Hockey expects its Members to use and maintain proper organizational structures (it is a requirement for new Members) but until 2018 there was no requirement for Members to provide evidence that they were using and maintaining proper organizational structures. Since requiring evidence of “good standing” BC Hockey has identified that approximately 20% of our Members are not using and maintain proper organizational structures.

To meet BC Hockey’s values and strategic plan to strive for organizational excellence, BC Hockey has proposed changes to BC Hockey’s Bylaws and Regulations to require all Members, unless they have been exempted in writing, to be incorporated under the Societies Act or Business Corporations Act. This will ensure Members are using proper organizational structures and allow for the development of good governance and

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overall stronger organizations that run quality hockey programs for the registered participants. BC Hockey has committed resources to help all of our not for profit Members who are not in good standing to become incorporated under the Societies Act.

BC Hockey is prepared to support those Voting Members who are not a proper entity in good standing to assist them to become a proper entity. If your Minor Hockey Association or Junior or Senior Hockey Team is not registered, please contact BC Hockey for assistance.

The Board will delay the effect of these changes until the 2022 – 2023 Hockey Season to allow all required Members to become registered entities in good standing.

Benefits of Being a Society Incorporated under the Societies Act v Unincorporated Association

The rationale for BC Hockey Member associations, teams and leagues to be incorporated as a registered society under the *Societies Act* of follows.

	Unincorporated Associations	Registered Societies
Are the Members Personally Liable for Debts and Liabilities of the Association/Society?	YES. Members are Liable	NO. Members are not Liable
Is the Association a separate entity from its Members and have the right to contract and continue to exist after Members?	NO. Not Separate	YES. Separate and will exist perpetually beyond current Members – Has the ability to contract and survives even after Members change
Are there any requirements or restrictions with respect to operation and management, i.e. Protections for Members?	NO. No Minimum Requirements with respect to operations and management – Unincorporate Associations are not regulated	YES. There are minimum requirements for operations and management, ie. Protections for Members
Can the Association/Society hold Assets?	NO. Assets are held in trust by Members	YES. A Society can Hold Title to its own Assets
Are Association/Society eligible for Community Gaming Grants	YES. But must satisfy Organizational Financial Capacity like a Society	YES

Obligations of a registered society which is a Member of BC Hockey

- An Annual Report is required to be filed with BC Registry Services for the Society to be in good standing

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- The Society must comply with all of the requirements of the BC *Societies Act* as well as the requirements set out in the Society’s Bylaws and Regulations as well as the Bylaws, Regulations, Policies and Playing Rules of BC Hockey and Hockey Canada.

Cost

- Cost for registering as a society is \$100
- Cost of filing annual report is \$30 each year
- Cost of a Certificate of Good Standing is \$25 plus a corporate search of \$10. BC Hockey has registered with BC Registry Services to do on-line searches and is currently examining whether or not it will do the searches of the Members or require Members to submit a Certificate of Good Standing.

More Information: <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/employment-business/business/not-for-profit-organizations/societies>

REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Governance Committee: The Governance Committee drafted the necessary changes to the Bylaws and Regulations at the request of the Board and recommended to the Board that Resolution 2021-05 be presented to the Members for adoption at the 2021 Annual General Meeting.

Board of Directors: The Board recommends the Members adopt Resolution 2021-05.

Operations (CEO): The CEO recommends the Members adopt Resolution 2021-05

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Resolution 2021-06 NOTICE OF MOTION

Article: ALL BYLAWS AND REGULATIONS **Paragraph:** _____

SUBMITTED BY: BC Hockey Board of Directors

SUBJECT MATTER OF RESOLUTION:

To authorize the Chief Executive Officer to do a major clean up of BC Hockey’s Bylaws and Regulations to make them more clear, consistent, concise, and easier to read without changing the interpretation in a material way.

RESOLUTIONS:

That the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) be empowered to do a thorough clean up of BC Hockey’s Bylaws and Regulations provided that such changes do not materially alter the meaning or intent of the Bylaws and Regulations. The CEO will have the authority to:

- (a) update the Bylaws and Regulations to update the names of Member Classes to be consistent with modern usage, ex. Change Amateur Hockey Associations to Minor Hockey Associations and change Amateur District Hockey Associations to District Associations;**
- (b) ensure that Defined Terms are properly set out and consistently used throughout the Bylaws and Regulations;**
- (c) make such other changes as are necessary to make the Bylaws and Regulations easier to read and understand provided that such changes to do not materially alter the meaning or intent of the Bylaws and Regulations.**

RATIONALE:

BC Hockey’s Bylaws and Regulations are in need of a major clean up. There are many inconsistencies within the Bylaws, within the Regulations and between the Bylaws and Regulations which create ambiguity and challenges in their interpretation by BC Hockey and Members. Given the 10 classes of Members, there are requirements, rights, and obligations that while not intended to apply to all equally, do so by virtue of the liberal use of the term "Members" throughout the Bylaws and Regulations.

There are many inconsistencies and errors. Member classifications are outdated and need to be updated. Defined terms are used inconsistently throughout the Bylaws and Regulations. In many cases, capitalized terms are not defined anywhere in the Bylaws and Regulations. There are also errors that need to be cleaned up.

REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Governance Committee: The Governance Committee has been working on revised Bylaws and Regulations as part of its Work Plan since 2018 and has made significant progress. The Governance Committee recommended Resolution 2021-06 be presented to the Voting Members for adoption at the 2021 Annual General Meeting.

Board of Directors: The Board recommends the Members adopt Resolution 2021-06.

Operations (CEO): The CEO recommends the Members adopt Resolution 2021-06.

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Many of the errors and inconsistencies can be cleaned up with simple changes and improved organization to the Bylaws and Regulations that will not in any way materially change the interpretation of the Bylaws and Regulations.

MEMBER SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

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Resolution 2021-07 NOTICE OF MOTION

Regulation: 7.26 **Paragraph:** _____

SUBMITTED BY: _____ **PJHL**

CURRENT WORDING:

7.26 IN the BC Hockey Junior B Championships, the host will be determined as follows:
YEAR Host League
2018-2019 VIJHL
2019-2020 KIJHL
2020-2021 PJHL

*following the 2023-2024 season the above schedule will repeat.

PROPOSED CHANGES:

7.26 IN the BC Hockey Junior B Championships, the host will be determined as follows:
YEAR Host League
2021-2022 PJHL
2022-2023 KIJHL
2023-2024 VIJHL

*following the 2023-2024 season the above schedule will repeat.

RATIONALE:

REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Governance Committee: The Governance Committee reviewed the resolutions submitted by the Member and recommended to the Board that it proceed to be presented as a resolution for the 2021 AGM.

Board of Directors: The Board recommends the Members adopt Resolution 2021-06

Operations (CEO): The CEO recommends the Members adopt Resolution 2021-06

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