



## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Board of Directors                      Senior Council                      Life Members  
Junior Council                      Minor Council                      Hockey Development Committee  
Female Council                      Referee's Division Committee

**FROM:** Gerry Evans  
Chairman, Hockey NL Nominating Committee

**SUBJECT:** Hockey NL Nominating Committee's Report for Candidates for the 2021-2022 Board of Director Positions & Information on Nominating and Voting Structure

**DATE:** March 12, 2021

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The Nominating Committee, in accordance with By Law 301, would like to advise you that the following persons have been nominated by the Nominating Committee:

### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

President – Arnold Kelly  
Vice President – Jared Butler  
Chair, Minor Hockey – Gonzo Bennett  
Chair, Junior Hockey – Charlie Kearsey  
Chair, Senior Hockey – Gary Gale  
Chair, Female Hockey – Tracey Hatcher  
Hockey Development Chair - Ken Chafe  
Referee-in-Chief – Ed Flood

### **SENIOR COUNCIL**

Vice Chair – Andy Brake  
Eastern Director - Joe Maynard  
Central Director – Bob Hedges  
Western Director – Art Barry  
Northern Director - Don Webber  
Secretary – Pat Rose

### **JUNIOR COUNCIL**

Vice Chair – Doug Tibbo  
Eastern Director - George Bursell  
Central Director - Lloyd Bursley  
Western Director – Ron Downey  
Northern Director – NO CANDIDATE  
Secretary – Jim Hare

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**MINOR COUNCIL**

Vice Chair – Robert Bouzane  
Eastern Director – NO CANDIDATE  
Tri Pen Director – Wendy Penney  
Central Director – Dean Ralph  
Western Director – Morgan Anderson  
Northern Director – Shawn Brown  
Secretary – Lynette Hiscock

**FEMALE COUNCIL**

Vice Chair – Denise Fagan  
Eastern/Junior Director – Maria Penney  
Central Director – NO CANDIDATE  
Western Director – Bonnie Knott  
Northern Director – Tina Martin  
Tri Pen Director – Heather Kelly

Additional nominations may be made no later than 60 days before the Annual General Meeting (by April 12, 2021). See attached By Law 301 on who can nominate and who can be nominated. All candidates officially nominated or wish to be nominated for a position on the Board of Directors must attend the H.N.L. AGM where elections will take place. A candidate unable to attend the AGM due to hospitalisation or death in the immediate family, the Executive Committee will make an exception and allow a letter of interest to have their name placed on the ballot.

All such nominations must be sent to the undersigned by **REGISTERED MAIL** no later than **April 12, 2021.**

Yours in Hockey,



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GE/th Attachment

Cc: HNL Nominating Committee

## **BY-LAW THREE**

### **301. Elections**

- (a) A Nominating Committee must be formed by September 30, chaired by the Past President, with one representative from each of the Minor, Junior, Female and Senior Councils. In the absence of the Past President, or if for some reason the Past President declines this position, the Chair of the Nominating Committee shall be appointed by the President. This committee will be responsible for nominations for the various positions of office within the Association. Their report will be circulated 90 days prior to the annual meeting. This will give those who are eligible to make nominations the next 30 days to make further nominations. All such nominations must be sent to the Nominating Committee Chair by registered mail dated at least 60 days prior to the annual meeting and no nominations will be permitted after that period either in writing, or from the floor at the annual meeting. There is an exception to allow nominations from the floor when there is no nomination received.
- (b) At the first general session of the annual meeting, the Chair of the Nominating Committee shall present the report of the Nominating Committee, which shall name one nominee for each position on the Board of Directors. The Chair of the Nominating Committee shall also present to the meeting any additional nominations forwarded to them following the circulation of the Committee's report as specified in By-Law 301(a).
- (c) Nominations for the position of President shall be from among the present incumbent officers, past officers, present or past members of the council executives responsible for the different divisions of hockey. Nominations for the position of Referee-in-Chief shall be from among the present and past members of the Referee Division Committee or present and past registered officials. Nominations for the position of Hockey Development Chair shall be from among the present and past members of the Hockey Development Committee or present or past members of Associations, leagues or teams. Nominations for the remaining Executive Committee of Hockey NL positions shall be from among the members of Hockey NL Board, Associations, Leagues or teams, past or present. Nominations for the Senior, Junior and Minor Council and Female Council Executive Committee positions shall be from present or past members of Associations, leagues and/or teams.
- (d) Nominations may be made only by those entitled to vote at the Plenary Sessions as specified in By-Law 800(a) or only by those entitled to vote at Council meetings as specified in By-Law 801 other than those made by the Nominating Committee. Any such nomination must be accompanied by written authorization from the nominee. In the event no nominations are forthcoming, the Executive Committee of Hockey NL may appoint.
- (e) The Divisional Chairs and Council Executive Committee members shall be elected at their own annual divisional meetings by accredited delegates to their respective divisional meetings as described in By-Law 801. They shall take office immediately following their election and they shall be eligible to vote at any general session of the annual meeting, which follows their election. Each Area Director will be elected by only accredited delegates representing the elected area. All incumbents will be entitled to vote. The Divisional Chairs shall be elected in odd numbered years for a term of two (2) years.
- (f) The election of the President, the Vice-President, Hockey Development Chair, and the Referee-in-Chief will take place at the closing general session of the annual meeting in odd numbered years and they will take office immediately after the session in which they are elected for a term of two (2) years.
- (g) No individual may serve more than three (3) consecutive two (2) year terms as President of the association. In the event no other candidate is nominated, the current president may let their name stand for one additional term.

## **BY-LAW EIGHT**

### **VOTING**

#### **800.**

(a) At any general meeting of the Association at the election of the President, Vice-President, Hockey Development Chair and Referee-in-Chief each member of the Board of Directors shall have one vote. The Board consists of members of the Executive Committee of Hockey NL, and members of the Senior, Junior, Female and Minor Hockey Councils to a maximum of six votes for each Council.

(b) At all plenary sessions those entitled to vote at the various Council meetings held by the different divisions of hockey shall be entitled to debate and discuss the various subjects which shall arise. However, motions can be made or seconded and the questions can be voted on only by those described as eligible to vote in By-Law 301(d) and By-Law 800 (a).

(c) At all Executive Committee of Hockey NL and Board of Directors of Hockey NL meetings, each Officer of this Association, except as elsewhere provided, shall be entitled to one (1) vote.

(d) Following voting in accordance with clause (c) above, in the event of a tie, the President shall cast the deciding vote.

(e) At the Resolutions Meeting during the annual meeting, the Board of Directors will review all resolutions or amendments to the Constitution. Any Article, By-Law or Regulation pertaining specifically to a particular division of hockey shall be given to that Council's Chair for discussion and ultimate decision by the respective Councils, providing that such changes are not in conflict or interfere with any other division of hockey within the branch as determined by the Board of Directors. Then at the Plenary Session of the annual meeting, the divisional Chair, in giving their report, will present the resolution or amendment to the Board of Directors along with the decision of the Council for Board adoption. Such adoption will be officially recorded in the minutes of the Plenary Session of the annual meeting.

#### **801.**

(a) At all meetings of the Senior Hockey division each league in good standing for the preceding hockey season shall have one vote and each team in good standing for the preceding hockey season shall have one vote. The voting delegates must be members in good standing with their team or league. The Council Chair and each Council Executive member shall also be entitled to one vote.

(b) At all meetings of the Junior Hockey division each league in good standing for the preceding hockey season shall have two votes and each team in good standing for the preceding hockey season shall have one vote. The voting delegates must be members in good standing with their team or league. The Council Chair and each Council Executive member shall also be entitled to one vote.

(c) At all meetings of the Minor Hockey division each Association in good standing for the preceding hockey season shall be entitled to one vote per delegate in attendance up to a maximum of two votes per Minor Hockey Association. The voting delegates must be members in good standing with their home Association. The Council Chair and each Council Executive member shall also be entitled to one vote.

(d) At all meetings of the Female Council, each Association in good standing with their home Association for the preceding season shall be entitled to one (1) vote by their Female representative. To be eligible to vote at the Female Council meetings, delegates must be registered with Hockey NL as a female voting delegate by their home Association. Members of the Female Executive Committee are entitled to one (1) vote only. If the members of the Female Executive Committee are the female representative for their respective Association, they are not entitled to more than one (1) vote.

(e) There shall be no proxy votes and a delegate may represent one member only.

## **802.**

(a) In the event that three or more persons are nominated for any elective position within Hockey NL, the successful candidate shall be required to poll more than half the eligible votes counted.

(b) If no candidate has the eligible number of votes, the candidate with the least number of votes is dropped. In the case of a tie in the candidates with the least number of votes, there will be a random draw to determine the candidate removed from the next ballot.

(c) When there are only two (2) remaining candidates and there is a tie, a second vote will take place. If a tie remains after the second vote, the selection will be by random draw.

(d) All candidates officially nominated or wish to be nominated for a position on the Board of Directors must attend the Hockey NL annual general meeting where elections will take place. A candidate unable to attend the annual general meeting due to hospitalisation or death in the immediate family, the Executive Committee of Hockey NL will make an exception and allow a letter of interest to have their name placed on the ballot.

(e) Any candidate nominated for any position of Hockey NL shall be entitled to address those voting on that position should they wish to do so. Should there be multiple candidates nominated for a position, each shall be granted an opportunity to address those voting on that position. The order of speakers shall be determined by random draw.