



Abbotsford Minor Hockey Association

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Date: May 20, 2020

To: AMHA Members

From: Kathy Doull, President

Re: Call for Executive Nominations

Dear AMHA Members,

While the 2019-20 season ended more abruptly than anticipated, I hope it was an enjoyable hockey season for all our players, team officials, parents and volunteers. With the conclusion of the 2019-2020 hockey season it is now time to start preparing for next season. While there is some uncertainty about what the season will look like, it is more important than ever that we have a strong Board to support the decision-making and planning that needs to occur. We are asking you to start thinking about who you feel would best represent you on the AMHA Board of Directors.

This is a call for anyone interested in putting their name forward for election to the Board for the following vacancies:

- **President** – 2 year term
- **Director** - 4 positions (2 year term)
- **Director** - 3 positions (1 year term)
- **Treasurer** – 2 year term

A temporary change under the Emergency Program Act allows electronic meetings during the Province's state of emergency. The order enables our organization to hold a virtual AGM, in accordance with the provincial health officer's order against gatherings of more than 50 people. The order overrides requirements under the Societies Act, including our bylaws.

Elections will take place at the AMHA Annual General Meeting to be held on **Wednesday June 16, 2020 virtually via the Zoom platform at 7pm with registration and participation details to follow.**

The successful candidates must possess the following qualifications:

- Be a member in good standing of the Association for the previous 365 days prior to the



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Annual General Meeting,

- Must be nominated by a member in good standing of the Association. The notification shall contain a statement from the person nominated indicating that she/he is willing to allow his or/her name to stand as a candidate for election as an Officer of the Association,
- Possess an ability to work in a team environment,
- Be able to give enough personal time to commit to the demands of the position,
- Be at ease offering input during group discussions and comfortable dealing with conflict.

A person is not qualified to be a Director of a Society if;

1. Individual is found by any court, in Canada or elsewhere, to be incapable of managing the individual's own affairs;
2. The individual is in the process of an undischarged bankruptcy, or
3. Convicted in British Columbia of an offence in connection with the promotion, formation or management of a corporation or unincorporated entity, or of an offence involving fraud

Nominations must be received by the Chair of the Nominating Committee **no later than 11:00 pm on Monday June 1st, 2020.** A notice of the slate of candidates prepared by the nominating committee shall be posted on the AMHA website and updated regularly up until 14 clear days prior to the AGM. Please note that the 14 days has been extended from our regular 7 to allow the board more time to prepare for the virtual voting platform.

The following candidate has received the Board's endorsement for re-election on June 16, 2020.

Director: Mandy Gill

The above candidate understands the level of commitment needed to fulfill her responsibilities on the Board for the coming term. She is a proven and dedicated volunteer who is willing to devote time and energy away from other interests and family time. AMHA is looking to attract others like her who will put their name forward for this year's AGM.

Whatever your motivation is for running for the Executive, it is important to understand that all the decisions that are made are made through a democratic process. Issues are discussed and debated as an Executive and decisions are made based not only on how they impact the individuals or teams but also based on how they affect the entire Association.

We always struggle to find volunteers and need individuals to step up. However, if you are not prepared



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to commit to the demands of the position please do not accept the nomination as the tasks and responsibilities then fall to others on the board. This is an unfair burden to place on anyone and ultimately the ones who pay the price are our families.

If you are interested in running for a position on the AMHA Executive I urge you to contact **Michele Dominato, Chair of the Nominating Committee**, or contact a member of the current Executive and ask questions about the positions so you get a feel for the commitment needed to fulfill the obligations.

A "Nomination Ballot" form is available under Forms on the AMHA website for your convenience.

Send your AMHA Nomination Ballot to:

Michele Dominato, Chairperson: Nominating Committee Email: peewee@abbotsfordminorhockey.ca.

Thank you for your interest.

Sincerely,

Kathy Doull
AMHA President