

# Proposed NDMHA Bylaw Changes

Last updated: April 26, 2026

Bylaw Section	Current Wording (only this portion being amended)	Proposed Changes	Reason For Review/Change
<b>Membership 2.2 A</b>	Applications for membership in the Association shall be open to any parent or guardian of <b>boys or girls</b> who are registered with the North Delta Minor Hockey Association.	Applications for membership in the Association shall be open to any parent or guardian of <b>individual(s)</b> who are registered with North Delta Minor Hockey Association.	Gender Neutral Language
<b>Membership 2.2 B.3</b>	Upon <b>his</b> death; or	Upon <b>their</b> death; or	Gender Neutral Language
<b>Membership 2.8</b>	All members are in good standing except a member who has failed to pay <b>his</b> current annual membership fee or any other subscription or debt due and owing by <b>him</b> to the Association and <b>he</b> is not in good standing so long as the debt remains unpaid.	All members are in good standing except a member who has failed to pay <b>their</b> current annual membership fee or any other subscription or debt due and owing by <b>them</b> to the Association and <b>they</b> are not in good standing so long as the debt remains unpaid	Gender Neutral Language
<b>Membership 2.10</b>	Nominations for Life Membership must be submitted in writing to the Executive, signed by a member in good standing and detail the service for which the honour is recommended.	<b>Nominations for life membership must be submitted to the Executive in written form, using the approved method of communication, and must clearly identify the nominator, who must be a member in good standing. The nomination must outline the service for which the honor is recommended. Acceptable submission formats include, but are not limited to: signed letters, emailed documents, and online nomination forms.</b>	Updating the process for nominating Life Members to allow for flexibility to use technology.

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<b>Meetings 3.10</b>	The President, or in <b>his</b> absence, the First Vice-President, or in the absence of both, some member of the Board of Directors shall preside at all meetings of the Association, except as noted in Part 4.3	The President, or in <b>their</b> absence, the First Vice-President, or in the absence of both, some member of the Board of Directors shall preside at all meetings of the Association, except as noted in Part 4.3	Gender Neutral Language
<b>Board of Directors &amp; Executive Committee 5.1</b>	The Executive Committee shall consist of the Immediate Past President, President, First VP, Second VP, Secretary, Treasurer, Equipment Manager, Ice Scheduler, Registrar, RIC, Tournament Director, Risk Manager, and Parent Aux Director.	The Executive Committee shall consist of the Immediate Past President, President, First VP, Second VP, <b>Third VP</b> , Secretary, Treasurer, Equipment Manager, Ice Scheduler, Registrar, RIC, Tournament Director, Risk Manager, and Parent Aux Director.	Addition of third Vice President.
<b>Board of Directors &amp; Executive Committee 5.9</b>	A Director may not vote on a matter in which <b>he/she</b> has a direct interest regarding a team, player, coach or member.	<p>A Director who has disclosed a potential conflict of interest shall normally abstain from voting. However, the Board may, by unanimous consent of the non-conflicted Directors, permit the Director to vote where the Board determines that participation is in the best interests of the organization.</p> <p>All disclosures and determinations under this section shall be recorded in the minutes.</p>	<p>Gender Neutral Language</p> <p>Default abstention and allows flexibility only when the entire non-conflicted group agrees.</p> <p>Very strong defensibility because of the unanimity requirement.</p> <p>To protect the Director, and signal transparency to members, funders, and regulators</p>

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<b>6.2 Immediate Past President</b>	Immediate Past President shall be deemed a member in good standing so long as he/she holds this office, which commences on the date of his/her retirement as President until the date the succeeding President retires and:	Immediate Past President shall be deemed a member in good standing so long as <b>they hold</b> this office, which commences on the date of <b>their</b> retirement as President until the date the succeeding President retires and:	Update to gender neutral language
<b>6.3.a First Vice-President</b>	Assist the President in the discharge of his duties and in the absence or disability of the President shall act in his stead;	Assist the President in the discharge of <b>their</b> duties and in the absence or disability of the President shall act in <b>their</b> stead;	Update to gender neutral language
<b>6.4.a Second Vice-President</b>	Assist the President in the discharge of his duties	Assist the President in the discharge of <b>their</b> duties	Update to gender neutral language
<b>6.4.b</b>	Chair the Program Development and Recreation Committees, be a member of the Rep Coach Selection Committee, Budget/Finance Committee and be a member on any other Association committee subject to the President's approval; and	<b>Be a member of the Player Development Committee, be a member of the Rep Coach Selection Committee, Budget/Finance Committee and be a member on any other Association committee subject to the President's approval; and</b>	<p>Proposal to rename this committee with updated TOR.</p> <p>Remove member of the Rep Coach Selection Committee.</p> <p>Reflect modern operations, and reduce duplication of previous bylaw committees.</p>
<b>6.5.a Third Vice-President</b>	N/A	<b>Assist the President in the discharge of their duties</b>	<b>Add VP3 as an elected role of the organization due to their role oversight and responsibilities over the recreational hockey program.</b>

<b>6.5.b Third Vice-President</b>		Be a member of the Player Development Committee, be a member of the Budget/Finance Committee and be a member on any other Association committee subject to the President's approval; and	
<b>6.5.c Third Vice-President</b>		Perform any other duties as prescribed according to the Associations policies and procedures.	
<b>Approval of Third Vice-President will change the Bylaw number for 6.5 - 6.16</b>		6.6 Secretary 6.7 Treasurer 6.8 Equipment Manager 6.9 Referee-in-Chief 6.10 Ice Scheduler 6.11 Registrar 6.12 Parent Auxiliary Director 6.13 Tournament Director 6.14 Risk Manager 6.15 Appointed Directors 6.16 Borrowing Powers	These will be updated upon approval of acceptance of the VP3 position.

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<b>6.7.b Equipment Manager</b>	Be a member of the Budget/Finance Committee and be a member ongoing or in an acting capacity on any other Association committee, subject to the President's approval; and	Be a member ongoing or in an acting capacity on any other Association committee, subject to the President's approval; and	Reducing the required size of the budget/finance committee and giving greater flexibility for other committees.
<b>6.8.b Referee-in-Chief</b>	Be a member of the Budget/Finance Committee and be a member ongoing or in an acting capacity on any other Association committee, subject to the President's approval; and	Be a member ongoing or in an acting capacity on any other Association committee, subject to the President's approval; and	
<b>6.9.a Ice</b>	Be responsible for securing	Be responsible for securing	Update the

<b>Scheduler</b>	as many playing and practice ice times as possible;	practice ice and game ice times for the Association.	language to ensure that the ice secured reflects the needs of the organization.
6.9.c Ice Scheduler	Be a member of the Budget/Finance Committee and be a member ongoing or in an acting capacity on any other Association committee, subject to the President's approval; and	Be a member ongoing or in an acting capacity on any other Association committee, subject to the President's approval; and	
6.10 Registrar	Be a member of the Budget/Finance Committee and be a member ongoing or in an acting capacity on any other Association committee, subject to the President's approval; and	Be a member ongoing or in an acting capacity on any other Association committee, subject to the President's approval; and	
<b>6.11. A PA</b>	Be a member of the Budget/Finance Committee and be a member ongoing or in an acting capacity on any other Association committee, subject to the President's approval; and	Be a member ongoing or in an acting capacity on any other Association committee, subject to the President's approval; and	
<b>6.12.a Tournament Director</b>	Be responsible for planning, organizing, and administration of all Association tournaments;	Management of all Association tournament operations.	Update the language to manage, to provide flexibility for operational changes.
<b>6.12.b</b>	Be a member of the Budget/Finance Committee and be a member ongoing or in an acting capacity on any other Association committee, subject to the President's approval; and	Be a member ongoing or in an acting capacity on any other Association committee, subject to the President's approval; and	
<b>Part 7 Standing Committees</b>			
<b>7.6</b>	Program Development Committee  Chair Second Vice-President Members - as prescribed in	<b>Rename- Player Development Committee</b>  <b>Members as appointed by the Board of Directors and</b>	Combining the previous functions of the Program Development Committee and

	these bylaws	prescribed in our policies and procedures.	Recreation Hockey Committee to reflect modern structures and processes. It includes representatives from Rep and Rec C hockey to ensure we have aligned development pathways through our organization.
7.7	Recreation Hockey Committee	Remove from Bylaws.	Duplication to our current operational model.