



Abbotsford Minor Hockey Association

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Date: April 14, 2018
To: AMHA Members
From: Janine Rizzo, President
Re: Call for Executive Nominations

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Dear AMHA members,

I hope this has been an enjoyable hockey season for all of our players, team officials, parents and volunteers. With the conclusion of the 2017-2018 hockey season it is now time to start preparing for next season. That means you need to start thinking about who you feel would best represent you on the Executive Council.

This is a call for anyone interested in putting their names forward for election to the Executive Council for the following vacancies:

- President (2 year term)
- Treasurer (2 year term)
- Director - 3 positions (2 year terms)
- Director - 1 position (1 year term)

Elections will take place at the AMHA Annual General Meeting to be held on **Wednesday, May 9, 2018** at the Ag-Rec Gallery on Haida Drive in Abbotsford. 7pm start with doors opening at 6pm.

The successful candidates must possess the following qualifications:

1. be a member in good standing of the Association for the previous 180 days prior to the Annual General Meeting
2. 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 her/his name to stand as a candidate for election as an Officer of the Association.
3. ability to work in a team environment
4. sufficient personal time to commit to the demands of the position
5. ability to offer input during group discussions
6. not a Head Coach or Team Manager

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Nominations must be received by the Chair of the Nominating Committee no later than 11:00pm on **Tuesday May 1, 2018**. A notice of the slate of candidates prepared by the nominating committee shall be posted on the AMHA website and updated regularly up until 7 days prior to the AGM.

The following candidates have received the Boards endorsement for election on May 9th, 2018. They are:

President: Janine Rizzo **Treasurer:** Vickie Heese **Director:** Mandy Gill **Director:** Jamie Young
Director: Jason Weinberger

The above 5 candidates understand the level of commitment needed to fulfill their responsibilities on the Board for the coming terms. They are proven and dedicated volunteers who are willing to devote time and energy away from other interests and family time. AMHA is looking to attract others like them who will put their names forward at this year's AGM come election time.

Whatever your motivation is for running for the Executive, it is important to understand that all of 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 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 [Mike Oddy](#), [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:**

Mike Oddy
Chairperson: Nominating Committee
Email: specialprojects@abbotsfordminorhockey.ca

Thank you for your interest.

Yours truly,

Janine Rizzo
President, AMHA

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