



**Whistler Field Hockey Club  
AGM Meeting Minutes  
March 29, 2023, 6p.m.  
Location: Zoom**

**Chairperson:** Amy McCarthy

**Board members in attendance:**

Florencia Tomaghelli

Eilidh Pearson

Joelle Tiessen

Nikki Cooper

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**Absent:** Florencia Poggi

**Guests:** n/a

**1. Call to order**

Amy called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

**2. Approval of the Agenda**

A motion to approve the 2023 AGM Agenda was made by Nikki and seconded by Joelle.

CARRIED

**3. Approval of Minutes for 2022 AGM**

A motion to approve the 2022 AGM Meeting Minutes was made by Nikki and seconded by Eilidh.

CARRIED

**4. Financial Update**

Nikki prepared a 2022 financial summary to present at this meeting and add to the AGM minutes.

Nikki noted that the 2022 gross income was \$27,585.75 - \$13,000 from programs and \$14,364 from grants (WB Foundation, WREA, CEP, WREC)-

Costs were \$20,348.

The goals were the biggest expense. They also ended up being more expensive than planned due to the change of pricing and shipping costs from the initial quote.

Nikki noted she can provide a more detailed report at members' request.

Total Club's income for 2022 was \$7536 to be reinvested in the club's programs to ensure the growth of the club.

Right now the club is in very good financial shape with \$5000 in the BlueShore Financial bank account.

Nikki also clarified that the administrative costs in the report include expenses such as banking fees, payment processing fees, insurance, amongst others.

**5. Vice President Update:**

**Update for 2023 Spring/summer season**

Flor T. mentioned she is on the search for coaches for the outdoor season. She has reached out for help to FHBC and WYSC as this last might have coaches interested in coaching field hockey as well as soccer. She will be posting an ad on the Facebook group page and Whistler's Job Board.

Flor T. noted that in order to promote the sport, the club did two workshops with Kids on the Go program and in the next few weeks the club will also be delivering workshops at Whistler Secondary and Spring Creek Community School. Regarding the Outdoor sessions, Flor T noted no adults have signed up yet and there are 2 participants signed up for the kids program. It was noted by the participants of the AGM that advertisement is important emphasizing the April 24th regular price deadline.

**Tournaments/interest - local and/or Lower mainland**

No news regarding this item. Flor T mentioned that due to the fact there are few players this winter, it seems very difficult to put a team together.

Joelle mentioned she emailed a form for interest in the VIT Tournament.

**6. Events and Fundraising Update**

**RMOW grant:** Eilidh noted the CEP grant results will come out on April 18th.

**WB foundation:** Eilidh mentioned the deadline for the WB Foundation grant is April 1st. The club will be applying for funding for storage at AVJ Field and the club kit.

**Others:** Regarding the Gaming Grant, there are a few pieces missing to complete the application but the club is working to get all these done. Eilidh noted this grant has more requirements than other grants. She noted that -unlike other grants- this grant can be used for facilities rentals costs and coaches wages.

**7. Operations Update**

**Field Bookings:** Joelle noted the AVJ field is booked and paid for the entire outdoor season.

**Gear and storage:**

-Indoor sticks: Joelle has received several letters from other organizations that play indoor field hockey. In general, they mention sticks do cause some wear and tear to the gyms surface but the short season and limited use does not pose a big issue. Joelle noted that playing with the rubber sticks deters players from wanting to participate and substantially alters the game to such an extent that it is no longer a proper indoor field hockey.

-Soccer shed: Joelle mentioned that WYSC has very limited space to share with WFHC. She also mentioned the RMOW is working on solutions for storage and willing to help. Also, the RMOW has a master plan for the AVJ field and is taking into consideration WFHC needs.

**Field lines:** The RMOW is in communications with the field manufacturer to get information on the type of paint that can be used without affecting the field's warranty.

**Other:** VIT Vancouver International Tournament: Joelle sent a Google form to adult players to get interested on the VIT in May long weekend. She mentioned so far there's only been a few responses. Deadline is April 10th.

**8. Communications Director Update**

Flor P is absent.

**9. Election of directors**

Eilidh brought up that the Directors agreed at the last Board meeting to elect a "Fundraising Director" instead of "Fundraising/Events Director".

Amy nominated Eilidh Pearson, Nikki seconded it.

All attendants voted in favor.

**10. Vote for Bylaws as amended for 2023 to reflect growth/change in club**

Motion to amend the bylaws as presented, including changing the title of the "Fundraising/Events Director" role to "Fundraising Director".

Motion moved by Nikki, seconded by Eilidh. All members present voted in favor of this motion. Motion CARRIED.

**11. Other business**

Flor T. mentioned that she is working on online waivers. A link can be added to the confirmation email to all participants. She is testing it and hoping to implement it soon.

**12. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.