

Whistler Field Hockey Club Annual General Meeting Minutes March 24, 2025 6:00 p.m.

Present:

Flor Tomaghelli (Chair)
Drey Voros
Joelle Tiessen
Nikki Cooper
Amy McCarthy
Robbie Brew
Molly
Flor Pellandini

1. Call to order

Flor called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m.

2. Approval of the Agenda and Minutes

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Nikki and seconded by Drey CARRIED

A motion to approve the minutes of the 2024 annual general meeting was made by Amy and seconded by Drey CARRIED

3. Financial Report by Nikki

The club had less money in 2024 due to there being fewer available to the club and the lack of youth programs which are more financially viable due to the lower rental rates for children and youth. Actual figures can be viewed in the separate financials. The club's biggest expenses were for coaching fees and field and gym rentals. General discussion about fundraising for the coming year including the restrictions on selling merchandise. The club would need to register for a GST number if we were to sell items at more than 50% of their cost.

4. President Report by Flor T.

2024 saw the field get proper lines painted, we purchased pop-up indoor goals, and had side boards built. We organized several friendly games both home and away. We entered a team in the Vancouver International Tournament (VIT) and hosted quite a few social events for members. As mentioned, the kids program was dropped due to lack of interest. We had a similar number of members as in previous years.

Next years goals include getting more grant funding, continuing with social events, plan a future mini tournament and increase membership.

5. Vice President Update

Fundraising ideas include planning a 7-a-side friendly tournament, selling beanies and caps.

The club with input from the members has decided to split the outdoor season into 2 halves: May-July and September-October. This hopefully is less of a commitment in both time and money for members and avoids the heat and summer absences that have been evident in previous years during mid-summer.

6. Operations Update

The past year has seen some large improvements to both the indoor and outdoor seasons. The Resort Municipality of Whistler agreed to paint field hockey lines on the Cheakamus turf field after our requests were heard. This came at no cost to the club and will be repainted as needed by the Muni. Flor found a contractor to build side boards for the gym and they have made a substantial improvement to the quality of indoor play. The final pieces will be completed pending funding grants coming in to give us two full sides. Some smaller purchases included a larger goalie helmet, new team socks in blue and black, numbered pinnies and more balls. Our club is now listed in the Field Hockey BC site with access to see our members' status.

7. Election of Directors

Three positions are open for nominations this year: Vice President, Treasurer and Fundraising. Communications is also vacant. Terms are three years in length.

Amy nominated Drey for Vice President and Nikki seconded the nomination. Drey accepted and is voted in as Vice President by acclamation.

Flor T nominated Robbie for Treasurer and Drey seconded the nomination. Robbie accepted and is voted in as Treasurer by acclamation.

The Fundraising position remains vacant.

Flor Pellandini has agreed to work on Communications supported by Mel.

8. Vote on Bylaws

Flor T reviewed the wording changes being proposed to update the club bylaws. Mostly this involved the definition of a "Member". Players who have registered to play in the past 12 months have voting rights. Also, parents can vote, by proxy, for a junior member.

Nikki moved to accept the amendments as proposed and Amy seconded the motion. All in attendance voted in favour of accepting the motion. The motion is approved.

9. Other Business

None

10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.



Whistler Field Hockey Club 2024 Annual Financial Report March 18, 2025

Introduction:

This report summarizes the financial performance of Whistler Field Hockey Club for 2024. The club's directors elected not to have the financial reports officially audited for 2024.

Financial Overview:

In 2024, the club reported a total income of \$13,802.92, reflecting a decrease from the previous year's figure of \$17,551.90. This decline is primarily due to a reduction in grant funding and changes in program participation. As a result, the club reported a net loss of \$1,673.83 for the year.

Grant Funding:

The club continued to receive support from various grant providers. However, total grant funding decreased compared to 2023. The grants received in 2024 include:

Community Enrichment Program (RMOW) \$1,700 (equipment purchases)
 Real Estate Association of Whistler \$1,945 (equipment purchases)

• WB Foundation \$1,945 (indoor goals)

In 2024, the club did not apply for a Gaming Grant from the Province of BC, due to the complexity of the application and administrative requirements. The club is not eligible to apply for the WB Foundation Grant or the Real Estate Association Grant again.

Programs:

Youth programs were not offered in 2024 due to lack of interest, while adult programs remained steady, with some areas of growth. Notable program figures include:

- Adult Indoor 2024: \$1,314.00
- Adult Indoor 2025 (pre-paid for upcoming season): \$1,193.40
- Adult Summer All Season: \$3,375.00 (up 20.54% from 2023)
- Adult Summer Drop-In: \$738.00 (a significant increase from \$115.00 in 2023)

Expenses:

Operating expenses totaled \$15,476.75, reflecting a decrease from \$17,123.60 in 2023. Key areas of expenditure include:

- Coaching Adult: \$1,887.50 (up from \$935.00 in 2023)
- Coaching Youth: \$110.00 (significantly down from \$1,417.50 in 2023)
- Equipment Purchases: \$5,054.73 (Indoor goals and sideboards, funded by grants)
- Field and Gym Rentals: \$2,759.35 (down from \$4,091.73 in 2023)
- Insurance: \$1,800.00 (slight increase from \$1,769.00 in 2023)
- Tournaments and Travel: \$1,406.90 (up significantly from \$361.45 in 2023)

Net Income:

For 2024, the club recorded a net loss of \$1,673.83, in contrast to the net income of \$428.30 in 2023. This shortfall was primarily driven by a reduction in grant funding and increased costs for travel and tournament participation, where the club subsidized some costs to encourage higher player participation. The most significant cost remains facility rentals, particularly indoor gym space. Despite



some reduction from 2023 with the Youth programs not being offered, this continues to be a major expenditure.

Conclusion:

The club has now made most of its large equipment purchases thanks to community grants. Moving forward, the club will endeavor to keep programming costs low while ensuring that its financial position remains stable.

Nikki Cooper Treasurer