



**METCALFE DISTRICT HOCKEY ASSOCIATION
AMENDMENTS TO THE MDHA CONSTITUTION/BY-LAWS
YEAR: 2024**

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DOCUMENT: MDHA By-Law 3 Articles 1.1, 1.3, 1.4, 1.5, and 1.6

ORIGINAL ARTICLE:

1.1 The Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held during the month of May each year. Its purpose shall be to review the activities of the past season, to carry out elections, to consider Policies and Constitutional and By-Law amendments for the coming season. The Executive may, at their discretion, choose to conduct the AGM by means of virtual conferencing. All business conducted at such meeting, including all motions duly made, seconded and carried at that meeting, will have the same force and effect as if the meeting had been held in person.

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- a) Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting
- b) Correspondence pertaining to the AGM
- c) President's Report
- d) Treasurer's Report
- e) Executive Member's Reports
- f) Committee Reports
- g) Proposed Constitutional and By-Law Amendments
- h) General Business
- i) Election of the Executive
- j) Appointment of Auditor
- k) Adjournment

1.4 General meetings may be called by the Executive with due notice of one (1) week.

1.5 General meetings are open to everyone interested, but input is open to everyone from the floor provided that all input is submitted to the Executive and placed on the agenda. All correspondence will be brought to the attention of the Executive only for discussion as to whether or not it will be placed on the agenda for the next General Meeting. If input is placed on the agenda, a letter of acknowledgement will be e-mailed to the originator and the originator must attend the General Meeting to give the presentation. The letter of acknowledgement must be e-mailed within one week after being placed on the agenda.

1.6 Those with voting rights, who are members in good standing of the MDHA, attending the Annual General Meeting/General Meetings, shall be: a) Executive members of the MDHA. b) One vote per family of a registered player, initiation level child, or a minor league player who resides within MDHA boundaries but is

playing at a higher level (i.e. A, AA, AAA or B). This vote can be exercised by a parent or a guardian or a registered hockey player of voting age.

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1.4 General meetings, **with the exception of the AGM**, may be called by the Executive with due notice of one (1) week. **Notice for the AGM must be issued 30 days in advance.**

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RATIONALE:

1.1 Removed the words "for the coming season" because the policies and Constitution and By-Law amendments are intended to endure beyond the comings season.

1.3 Changed "annual meeting" to "AGM" to be consistent with the rest of the article.

1.4 Added text to clarify the difference between a general meeting and an AGM.

1.5 Removed original article 1.5 which placed a number of restrictions on the abilities of members to participate in general meetings or submit correspondence to the attention of the Executive. There is no clear rationale for having these restrictions in place.

1.6 [new 1.5] Replaced “of voting age” with “over the age of 18” as players over 18 would be considered legal adults.

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